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Newsletter

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City Council hands out free home composting bins



During April 2016, the City of Cape Town invited homeowners to apply for one of 5 000 free home-composting containers. Each set includes a home-composting container (either 150 L or 250 L), a 2-litre container for holding organic kitchen waste indoors before composting and an instruction leaflet. The response from homeowners was excellent, and 5000 applications were received within four days, after which the application window closed, but future rollouts are planned for 2016 and 2017. Keep an eye out on

the City's website www.capetown.gov.za for information on when the next rollout will commence. For commercial and industrial applications, companies like [Zero to Landfill Organics](#) and [Full Cycle](#) provide systems for setting up food waste management programmes.

International requirements for manufacturers about food waste

The Food Loss and Waste Accounting and Reporting Standard (FLW Standard) allows manufacturers internationally to credibly measure, report on, and manage food waste. Developed by the FLW Protocol, a partnership of the Consumer Goods Forum, FAO, WRAP and World Resources Institute, it was launched at the Global Green Growth Forum (3GF) 2016 Summit in Copenhagen. The U.S. has been making its moves toward food waste reduction, such as [proposing legislation for a federal code dating standard](#).



IWMPs for paper and packaging, electronic and lighting industries



Minister Edna Molewa has announced goals for 2016 to implement IWMPs for the paper and packaging, electrical and electronic and lighting industries. In line with the pricing strategy for waste and the SARS tyre levy collection system, the IWMPs will set in motion a 'new economic paradigm' for these waste streams. Plans are to manage and disburse funds through the Waste Management Bureau that will be 'fully operationalized this year.'

The industry waits to see how this will turn out. Molewa also reported that despite a total value of R25 billion to the economy, the current rate of recycling is not being maximised.

Saldanha Bay Municipality to launch kerbside recycling collections



Following national domestic waste standards, this large West Coast municipality is implementing household separation-at-source recycling. Contractors are Wastegro who will be doing collections and sorting at the MRF and [GreenEdge](#) who will be managing public education and behaviour change communications. The programme is planned to launch during national recycling week in September, and roll out to the surrounding towns in phases over the next three years.

Ballot Butt Bin - a visible street ashtray to combat litter

The bin tackles cigarette butt litter by encouraging smokers to vote by choosing which receptacle to dispose of their cigarette butts. Each receptacles window displays the butts collected, allowing a public opinion poll to be generated, like the one here between Ronaldo and Messi. Cleverly developed by UK company Hubbub. [Click here](#) for more information.



WMRIG Narrative Report

The good work WMRIG members and your committee have achieved over the past year is here: <http://www.iwmsa.co.za/sites/default/files/downloads/WMRIG%20Narrative%20Report%202015-2016%20June%202016.pdf>

Book to attend Wastecon 2016

The big waste management and recycling industry conference and exhibition gets underway from 17th to the 21st of October at Emperor's Palace, Johannesburg. Delegate bookings are open now. For more information go to: <http://www.wastecon.co.za/>

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