

Title

Switzerland: Far from Coastal Waters but Essential to Plastic Pollution Reduction

When

April 24, 2024 - 5PM - 7PM

Where

Palais Eynard - Geneva City Hall

How

Panel Discussion 50 minutes

Q&A 30 to 40 minutes

Moderator: Gwenaële Coat, Science Manager, The SeaCleaners

Who

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What

While, by now, we all know that plastic pollution affects our environment, impacting our ocean drastically, studies of this ubiquitous material is new; understanding the quantity of plastics and its flow from land to the ocean is critical for research. From watersheds to rivers and coastal waters to oceanic gyres, littler, including plastic, flows, drifts, gets entangled on river edges and coastal plants, sinks to river and ocean beds, and at every step of their voyage... degrade and emits micro particles of plastic (and chemicals).

The panellists will further develop the global issue of plastic pollution, and how we can contribute to reduce it through actions, like its collection on land and at sea to not only remove it from the environment but also further harm through its degradation. Finally, the speakers will share the latest development of the Global Plastic Pollution Treaty negotiations, happening in Ottawa from April 23 to 29, in Ottawa Canada.

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<u>The SeaCleaners</u> is an international non-profit dedicated to protecting the ocean by supporting global efforts and reduce plastic pollution in coastal communities and ecosystems.