

IZWA - INSTITUTE FOR ZERO WASTE IN AFRICA

A registered Section 21 not for profit organization
(If you support the philosophy of Zero Waste, then see last page.)

Mission Statement

Working towards a world without waste through public education and practical application of Zero Waste principles.

Charter Principles

1. Redesign products and methods of production to eliminate waste by mimicking natural processes and developing closed-loops
2. Convert waste to resources for the benefits of local production and the creation of a healthy and sustainable society.
3. Resist incineration and land filling in order to promote innovation in resource conservation and methods of production
4. Collaborate with others with common interests worldwide

Objectives

1. To advance the education of the public by all appropriate communication means and through supporting the elimination of waste and the associated health impacts.
2. To promote and fund appropriate research for the public benefit, including education
3. To promote the effectiveness of other Zero Waste initiatives
4. To promote the principles of waste avoidance and minimisation, re-use, repair, recycling and composting, through sustainable resource management in accordance with best environmental options.

Zero Waste promotes genuinely sustainable development by:

- promoting clean production and sustainable consumption
- promoting local and localised manufacture, and import replacement
- being geared towards SMME development as a preferred business model
- increases the flow of useful resources through society
- promoting sustainable and safe energy sources



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Designing Jobs In !**
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- promoting transfers of cutting edge Green technologies
- training of all sectors
- carrying out research into practical and sustainable solutions.

National Issues:

Zero Waste will also support and engage with programmes, such as

- Cleaner Production (CP)
- Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)
- Life Cycle Analysis (LCA)
- Cleaner Production and Sustainable Consumption (CP&SC)
- Resource Pricing Policies
- Fiscal Policies – environmental fiscal reform
- Technology Policies
- Education Policies and Information (at primary, secondary and tertiary level)
- Transport
- Environmentally Sensitive Trade Policies
- Clean Production Industrial Policies

Directive-based regulation (which mandates specific behaviour)

- Bans / Technology Specific Standards
- Permits / Site specific emission standards
- Ambient standards
- Trade restrictions etc.

International Conventions such as:

- The Basel Convention
- The Bamako Convention
- The Stockholm Convention
- United Nations Convention on Desertification (UNCCD)
- United Nations Convention on BioDiversity (CBD)
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) – the Kyoto agreement is subsidiary to the UNFCCC
- Ramsar Convention (wetlands/ birds)
- And others

Structure:

Section 21 not-for-profit company, with VAT exemption. An NPO number will be applied for. IZWA - INSTITUTE FOR ZERO WASTE IN AFRICA will be independently audited annually.

Tasks:

- Research and enabling access to such research
- Training

Membership / Supporter Information for IZWA – Institute for Zero Waste in Africa - 2 of 4

- Plan seminars and skillshares.
- Lobbying
- Promotion of ZW
- Production of accessible and implementable information
- Acknowledge efforts in the field of Zero Waste by means of Annual Awards.
- Co-ordinating and networking of like minded organisations, with a view to building capacity

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Become a Supporter or a Member - there is NO membership fee.

Definitions – the small print!

1. **SUPPORTERS** may be businesses, individuals, government agencies or non-governmental organizations that support the INSTITUTE FOR ZERO WASTE IN AFRICA Mission Statement, Principles and rules adopted by the Institute. This does not imply that supporters may use the name or logo of IZWA automatically. IZWA will develop standards to which for profit organizations need to sign onto, prior to permission being given.
2. **MEMBERSHIP** in the INSTITUTE FOR ZERO WASTE IN AFRICA will be restricted to ORGANIZATIONS that sign a Membership Application Form, in which they agree to the Institutes Mission Statement, Charter Principles and rules adopted by IZWA, and confirm that the primary mission of their organization is to promote Zero Waste. This means that organizations involved in fighting air, water or soil pollution, waste, environmental justice, etc. will all be eligible.

Commercial businesses may be established in the bylaws as non-voting associate members.

All details to be completed by the person filling in the form following – please fill in and email, or print the next page and send the original to our postal address above – if the page is missing, contact us for a copy.

Be part of IZWA - Institute for Zero Waste – as easy as A – B – C - D

A - MEMBER / SUPPORTER DETAILS (strike out one)

First name:	
Last name:	
Title:	
Company or organization:	
Main activity:	
Physical address:	
Post Code:	
Postal address:	
Post Code	
City:	
Province:	
Country:	

(Where available, supply contact details below)

Phone number:	
Fax number:	
Cell number:	
Website:	
Date filled in and sent:	
Email address	

B - Please mark ONE of the 5 below:

(Please remember:

§ **members** are those organizations who are aiming for a Zero Waste world;

§ **supporters** are those whose main mission is not necessarily Zero Waste, but support the mission statement and charter principles)

1	We would like to join us as a civil society organization MEMBER (NGO's CBO etc)	
2	We would like to join us as a civil society organization SUPPORTER (NGO's CBO etc)	
3	We would like to join us as a government department SUPPORTER	
4	We would like to join us as a commercial business SUPPORTER	
5	I would like to join us as an individual SUPPORTER	

C - Please Check Both:

I / We agree with the IZWA mission statement and charter principles	
We agree to abide by rules adopted by the Institute for Zero Waste in Africa Board of Directors	
(Please note: not marking these two will disqualify you for membership)	

D) Sign and send back.

If the constitution of your organization requires it, please indicate details of the relevant meeting that ratified joining IZWA. _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____