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Informal Recycler Inclusion



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Who are informal recyclers?

- ❑ Independent entrepreneurs engaged in the recovery and sale of recyclable materials
- ❑ A category of person defined by their *work*
- ❑ A vulnerable group – often marginalized, stigmatized and exploited



What benefits do recyclers generate?

- ❑ ***They remove materials from the waste stream***, extending landfill life and reducing system costs
- ❑ ***They produce income***, supporting families, secondary businesses and entire local economies
- ❑ ***They supply a productive chain***, reducing the cost of raw materials and the need for extraction



What do recyclers want?

- ❑ *Access to recyclable materials*
- ❑ *Equal or higher incomes*
- ❑ *Continued work in the sector*
(often but not always)
- ❑ *Improved working conditions*
- ❑ *Maintenance of their current business model* (self-employed, flexible hours, paid for materials sold, rather than on a fixed wage, working close to home...)
- ❑ *Recognition and respect*



Goals of Recycler Inclusion

General: Increase or maintain incomes in improved conditions

Specific:

- ❑ Ensure adequate, reliable, and safe access to recyclables
- ❑ Develop viable alternatives where this is impossible
- ❑ Improve health, safety and security of working conditions
- ❑ Increase effectiveness, efficiency and profitability
- ❑ Provide formalization, recognition and access to benefits
- ❑ Strengthen capacity, skills and collective organization
- ❑ Address particular needs of vulnerable groups
- ❑ Eradicate (in a responsible manner) child labor

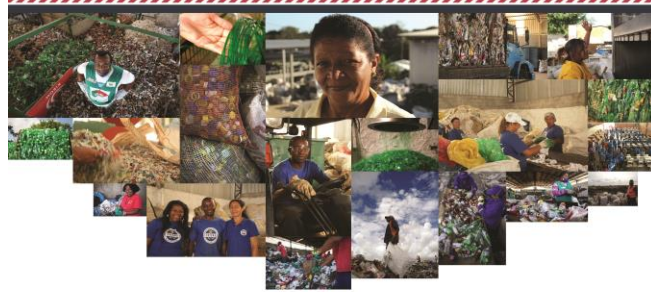
Plans should be developed together with the affected recyclers and tailored to the local context

Recycler Inclusion Strategies

- ❑ Increase scale
- ❑ Add value
- ❑ Move up the recycling chain (collection, separation, transport, transformation, commercialization)
- ❑ Improve effectiveness and efficiency
- ❑ Expand the range of goods and services
- ❑ Build legitimacy, commercial partnerships and legal incentives



DESARROLLO DE PLANES DE INCLUSIÓN PARA RECICLADORES INFORMALES: una guía operativa



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