

# A2Aambiente and plastic recycling

LE2C - Modeling the transition towards sustainable plastic value chains in European regions-

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# **COMPANY STRUCTURE**



# **Treatment / Recovery plants**





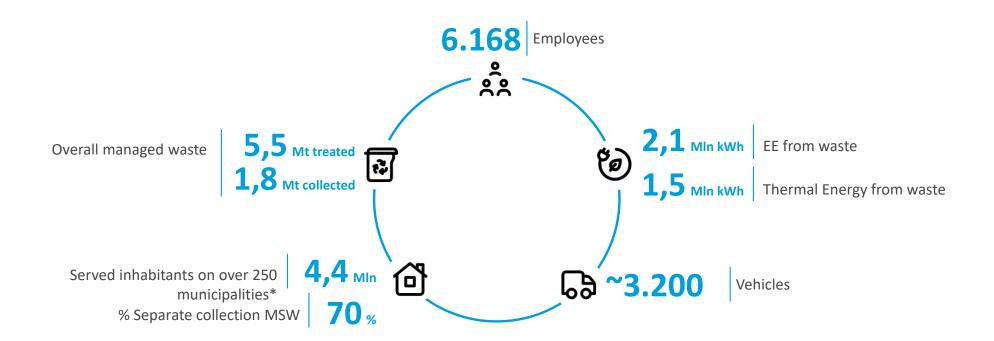




# **KEY FIGURES 2023**

**1.458** Revenues **375** EBITDA

**② 216** Capex



(\*) through AMSA, APRICA, Linea Gestioni e Gelsia Ambiente





# **WHERE WE ARE**

**Leader** in Italy for material and energy recovery from waste

Material recovery plants 14

**OFMSW** treatment plants

For Hazardous Waste

WtE plants For MSW 1<sup>9</sup>

MBT plants and SRF production 10

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# **A2A AMBIENTE: FOCUS ON PLASTIC RECOVERY**



#### 2 selection plants

**Secondary Selection Plants Corepla** 

100 kt treated waste

Muggiano (MI), Cavaglià (BI)

# **Municipal collection**

Collection+ preliminary separation (Castenedolo, Fombio e Coccaglio) for production on monomaterial plastic from multimaterial collection

120 kt separate collection plastic

Lombardia, Liguria





# LDPE recycling plant (authorized, ongoing final design)

Form LDPE waste to EoW granules, film, bags

#### 10 kt capacity

Cavaglià (BI)

# **Commercial and industrial plastic collection and selection**

A2A Recycling

5 kt plastic industrial / commercial Including EoW on PP in Buccinasco plant

Nord italy



# **PLASTIC SELECTION PLANTS**

# 2 twin plants

#### **INPUT**

2 x 50.000 ton/year PLASTIC from separate collection both 'monomaterial' and ' multimaterial

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Plastic waste production of 1,8 milion people



#### **OUTPUT**

11 «products» still «waste» no EoW:

- 1. PET bottles transparent
- 2. PET bottles light blue
- 3. PET bottles colored
- 4. Mixed PET opaque and labelled
- 5. HDPE 3D packaging
- 6. PP boxes
- 7. PP packaging
- . Mixed rigid packaging (PP e PE)
- 9. Polystyrene packaging
- 10. Film (mainly LDPE) neutral/colorless
- 11. Film (mainly LDPE) colored



# Other selectables products:

- PET trays
- Mixed polyolefins

#### 2 reject flows:

- 1. PLASMIX coarse
- 2. PLASMIX fine



1° PHASE: BAG OPENER



2° PHASE: MECHANICAL TREATMENT



3° PHASE: OPTICAL SELECTION



4° PHASE: QUALITY CONTROL







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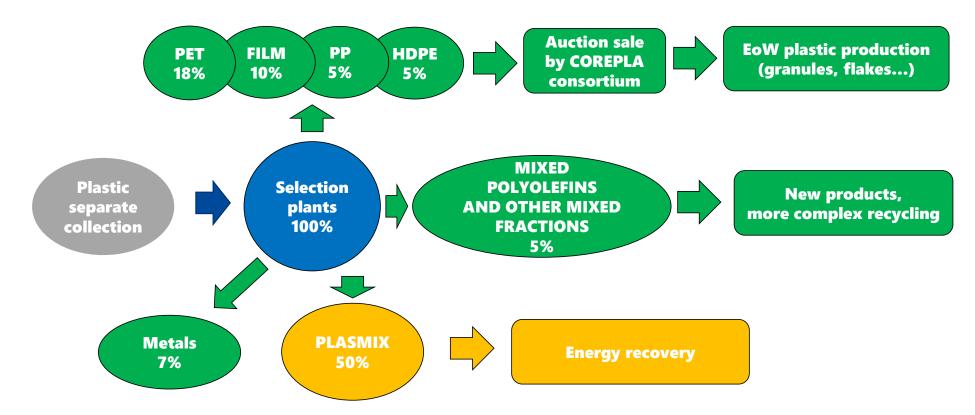








## MASS BALANCE OF PLASTIC SELECTION PLANTS



**Plasmix** is that fraction of the RD of plastic which, due to incorrect behavior by citizens or for technical or commercial reasons, **cannot be sent to the recycling**. On a national basis, it accounts for **45-50%** of plastic separate collection. It is therefore sent for energy recovery at TMV or cement factories.



### LDPE RECYCLING PLANT: GRANULES AND FILM PRODUCTION

New plant for the recycling of LDPE (Low Density Polyethylene) plastic with a capacity of 10,000 t/year.

Downstream integration of A2A's plastic collection and sorting activities

Production of bags and film reels for large-scale distribution, as well as LDPE granules, a raw material also used in compounds with virgin plastic for the production of new products.

The plant is designed to allow maximum flexibility in production, adapting to market needs.

Main sections of the plant:

- Preselection
- Washing
- Water purification
- Drying/densification
- Extrusion
- Filming
- Cutting bags

#### **Environmental authorization obtained**

Detailed design on-going







## PLASTIC COLLECTION AND SELECTION IN LOMBARDIA

#### Plastic collection in Lombardia:

- 288.000 ton / year
- per capita: 29 kg per inhabitant / year
- Milano 34,3 kg per inhabitant / year

#### 5 plastic selection plants

- CSS Montello (BG) 250.000 t/y
- CSS Masotina, Corsico (MI) 120.000 t/y
   CSS A2A Ambiente Muggiano (MI) 50.000 t/y
- CSS CARIS VRD, Lainate (VA) 60.000 t/y
- CSS SERUSO Verderio (LC) 60.000 t/y

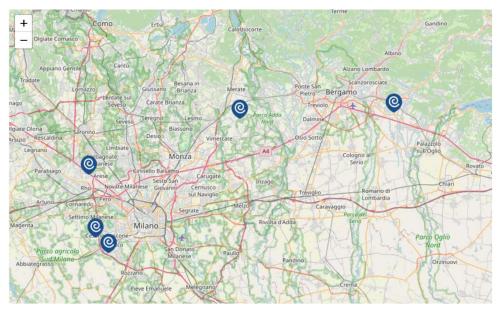
Overall selection capacity (over 500 kt/y) is much higher than separate collection → Lombardia imports plastc waste from other regions for selection

#### And, in general:

- Plastic selection is a national market
- Production of recycled plastic (granules, flakes) is an European market

#### **Comparison:**

- Avg nord Italy 32,6
- Avg Italy 29 kg / per inhabitant / year
- Top performers regions: Valle d'Aosta 56, Emilia Romagna 44, Marche 42,6, Umbria 38, Sardegna 38, Piemonte 37
- Top performer big municipalities Bologna 38, Firenze 36,5





# **PLASTIC AS WASTE: EU MARKET**

#### Plastic released for consumption 59 Mt @ 2022



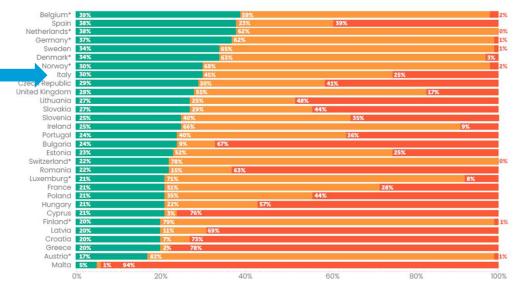
#### Post consumer collection 32,3 Mt (55%)



# 2006-2022, in the EU27+3 Mt 16,0 13.9 12.9 11.2 11.3 9.8 8.2 8.1 7.8 Energy

2006 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022

Evolution of post-consumer plastics waste treatment



#### **A2A Ambiente**

Fonte: plastics the facts 2024

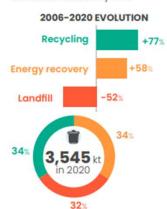




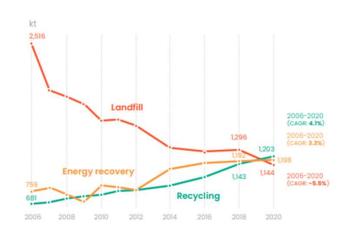
# **PLASTIC AS WASTE: IT MARKET**

# **Italy** · All plastics

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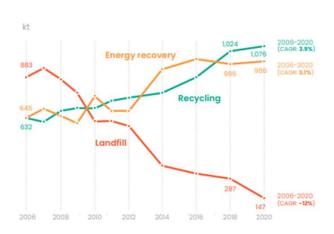


Post-consumer plastics waste treatment evolution 2006-2020 (in kt)



# **Italy · Plastics PACKAGING\***

Post-consumer plastics PACKAGING\* waste treatment treatment evolution 2006-2020 (in kt)



CAGR: Compound Annual Growth Rate
Non-plastics waste (i.e., tastiles, adhesives, sealants, cootings, etc.) is not included.

\*From household, industrial and commercial packaging

From 2006 to 2020, the quantities of post-consumer plastics packaging waste sent to recycling increased by 70%, energy recovery increased by 53% and landfill decreased by 83%.



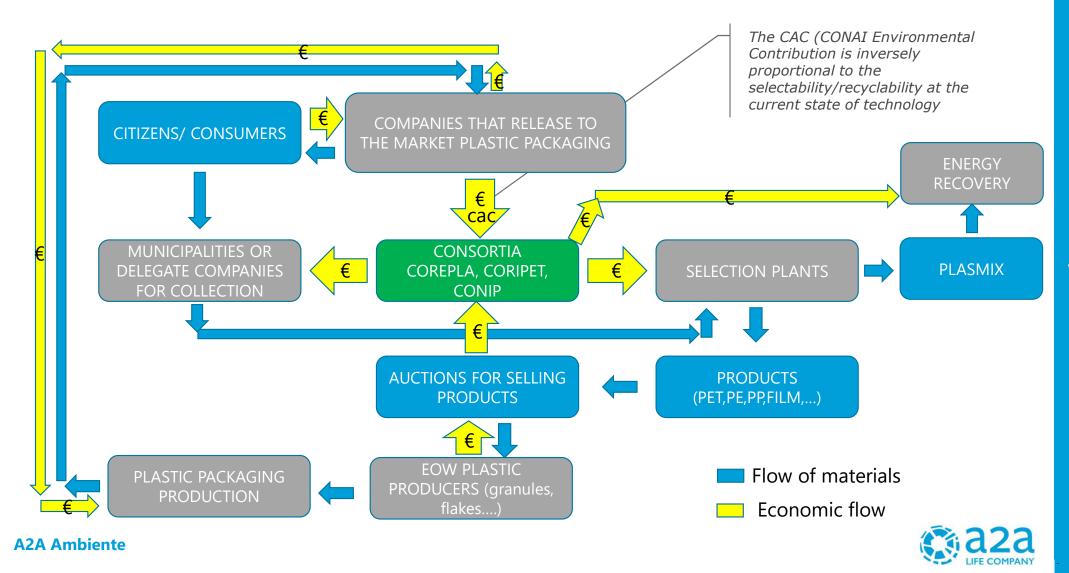


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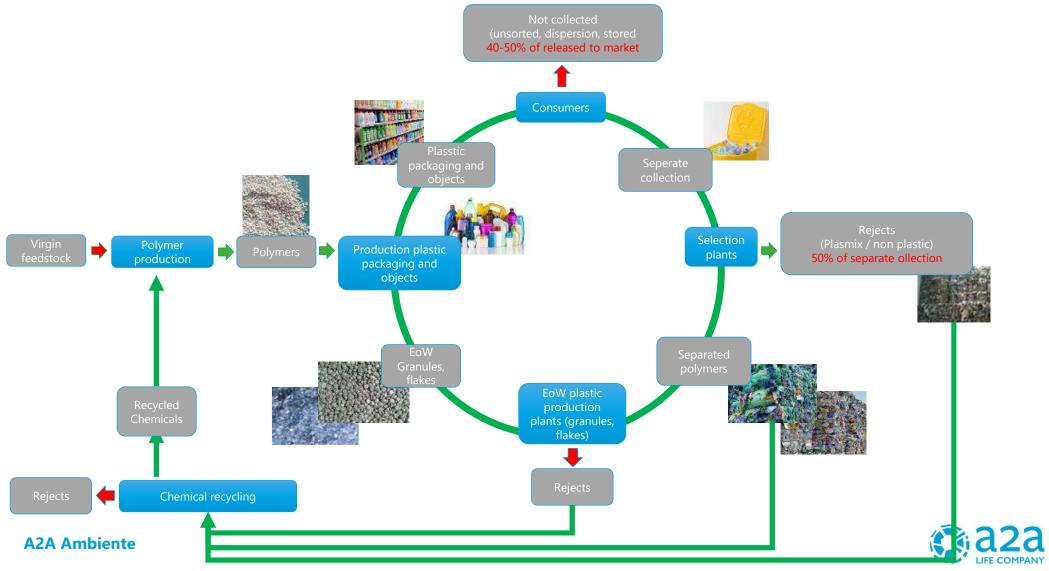




# **ITALIAN SYSTEM OF CONSORTIA**



# **CIRCULAR ECONOMY OF PLASTIC: THE FULL VALUE CHAIN**



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