







Celebrate Your Trash Hacks

Webinar for sharing, inspiring and calling for change

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## Background

Each year the world generates over 2 billion tons of waste. Trash clogs our oceans, fills our streets and litters huge areas of the planet. Waste and over consumption are both contributors to the climate crisis.

The concept of "Trash Hacks" comes from "life hacks" – clever tips or techniques to improve efficiency and make life easier

In September 2020, on the occasion of World Cleanup Day, UNESCO, with kind support from the Government of Japan, launched the global campaign <u>Trash Hack</u> encouraging young people to take action to promote sustainable development, reflect on their actions, and share their learnings.

To support school communities and in particular teachers to engage their students in trash hacking their schools, homes and communities, UNESCO developed a practical guide <u>Trash Hack: Action Learning for Sustainable Development.</u> The guide has been published by UNESCO in English, French and Spanish.

As part of the Campaign, the UNESCO Associated Schools Network (ASPnet) and the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) partnered to make a global call and to invite all their members to engage in action learning on trash, waste management and, more widely, sustainable development

in a launch webinar on 29 January 2021. The webinar was followed live by over 800 people and has since been viewed over 4,000 times.

Since the launch, students and teachers around the world have been using the guide to trash hack their classrooms, schools and communities, and creating videos and images to submit to UNESCO and the Young Reporters for the Environment Competition to share their observations, actions, reflections and celebrate their achievements.

This online event presents an opportunity for UNESCO Associated Schools, FEE Eco-schools and all others involved in the campaign to come together and celebrate their Trash Hacks, share some good practice examples and encourage others to act. The event will occur one week before the World Conference on Education for Sustainable Development (17 -19 May).

## Registration

Please register via the following link: https://unesco-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN uED3tJigTgeUAcf5QkPOOQ

## Languages

Simultaneous translation between English – French – Spanish will be provided.

## Programme

1:30 – 1:40 **Opening & welcome** 

Ms Vibeke Jensen, Director, UNESCO Division for Peace and Sustainable Development

Mr Ishida Yoshiaki, Deputy Secretary-General, Japanese National Commission for UNESCO (TBC)

1:40 – 1:50 Programme overview & housekeeping

Ms Julie Saito, ASPnet International Coordinator

1:50 – 2:40 5 Trash Hack examples from around the world

Students and Teachers present their Trash Hacks and share insights in their learnings.

2:40 – 2:55 Why we want to #LearnForOurPlanet

Open panel with students and teachers to talk about why they love learning for the planet, and how they wish education would change. The ideas shared will be presented to policy makers at the World Conference on Education for Sustainable Development.

2:55 – 3:00 **Closing** 

Mr Alexander Leicht, Chief of Section, UNESCO Section Education for Sustainable Development

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