



RESPONSIBLE SOURCING INITIATIVE IN PERSON CONVENING 2023

Key insights

- Building trust is the first step: Invest time to build relationships with waste workers and provide them with safe spaces to engage with each other as well as stakeholders in the supply chain. This is critical to gain a deeper understanding of their perspectives and better inform strategies to improve livelihoods.
- All actors have a role to play: The scale of human rights issues within the complex recycled plastic supply chain requires multi-stakeholder intervention. Introducing regulation and harmonized standards, deploying new technology to improve supply chain traceability and scaling funding for safety equipment and worker safety policies are potential ways to make responsible sourcing a reality.
- The pathway to responsible sourcing starts with equity: To drive systemic change we need to acknowledge and understand current power imbalances within waste management systems, and leverage the collective action of all players in the value chain to address equity issues.

















































































