





# The future map of plastic

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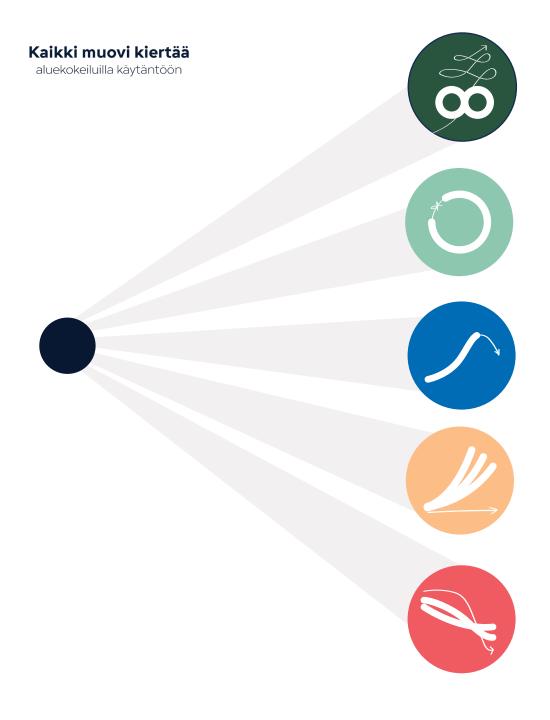












## **Creating a repairing and regenerating plastics economy**

Operating as part of a natural ecosystem and regenerating natural resources. Plugging leaks, cleaning up any messes and compensating for any damage Producing without emissions.

#### **Closing the loop**

Minimising the use of virgin raw materials.

Every possible product is designed to be recyclable and then collected and recycled as raw material.

#### **Consumption changes**

Consumption habits are changed radically? Plastic may only be manufactured with a special permit, increasing total bans?

#### Plastic production continues to grow

Production and consumption of fossil- and bio-based plastics grows in new areas. Plastic waste multiplies and consequential damages increase and their consequences are managed.

#### Plastic in a world in crisis

Plastics in a world where ecological, social and economic crises are increasing and the carrying capacity of nature is depleted.

People learn to live with crises and disadvantages and respond to them.

## Signals from a plastics economy in crisis

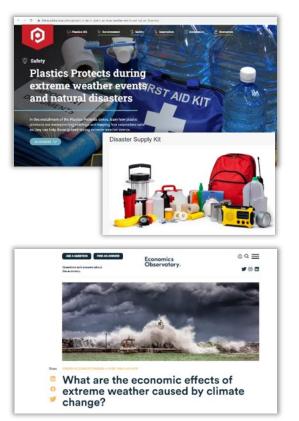


The environment becomes unpredictable?



Plastic pollution is a planetary emergency







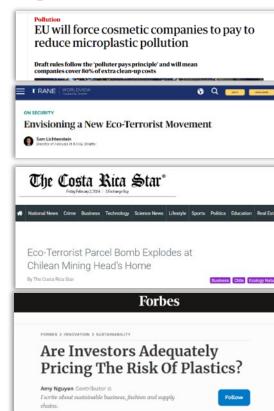












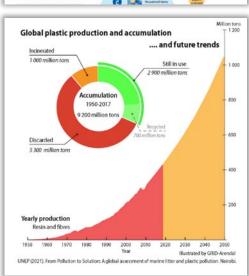
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## Signals from a growing plastics economy



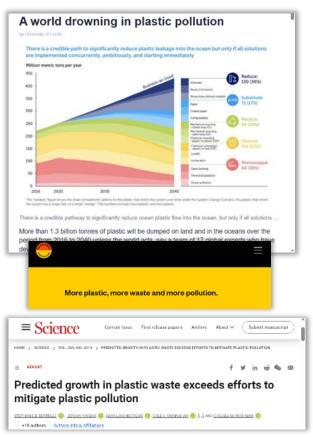
## Plastic gains ground in new fields and areas?





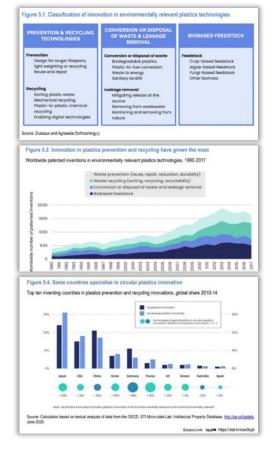


## Plastic waste and pollutants multiply



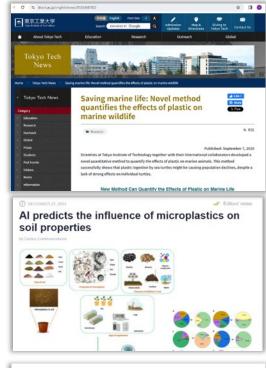


## Innovations increase in new areas?





## Artificial intelligence helps us understand effects?

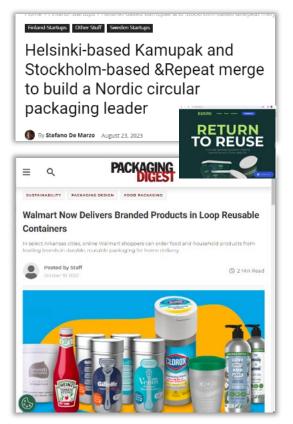


#### **Identifying and Tracking Plastic Pollution**

One of the greatest challenges in addressing plastic pollution is simply identifying where it is. At can help with this task by using satellite imagery and machine learning to identify plastic debris in the ocean. This information can then be used to develop targeted cleanup efforts.

## Signals of decreasing consumption

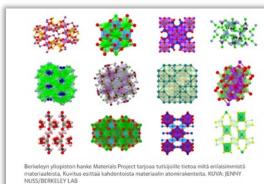






New competitive polymers and other materials?







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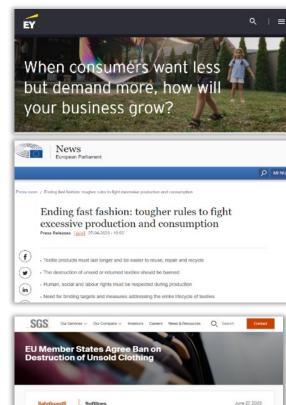
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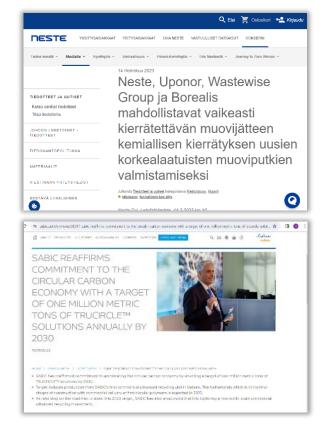






## Signals from a circular plastics economy

















## Recycling plastics turns out to be too harmful?





## Signals from a restorative and regenerative plastics economy



We move from an exploitative economy to a regenerative one?









We take responsibility for global damage?







We form an alliance with nature?

