

Operation Clean Sweep®

Operation Clean Sweep® (OCS) is an industry-led program that supports companies in their goal towards achieving zero plastic resin loss in operations. OCS was founded by Plastics Industry Association (PLASTICS) in 1991 and is managed in partnership with the American Chemistry Council (ACC)'s Plastics Division, as well as 22 other associations around the world.

Globally, more than 3,300 companies participate in OCS and have committed to the OCS Pledge to work towards ending resin loss in operations. These companies represent the full plastics value chain, ranging from companies that make and distribute plastic, transportation companies that move plastic, and processors who manufacture final products.

OCS members demonstrate significant leadership in industry-led voluntary stewardship to protect the environment, preserve water quality and wildlife, and strengthen worker safety. Together, OCS can accelerate efforts in almost any jurisdiction to keep plastic out of the environment and within the economy for a more sustainable, circular plastics future.

OCS supports industry in ending resin loss by:

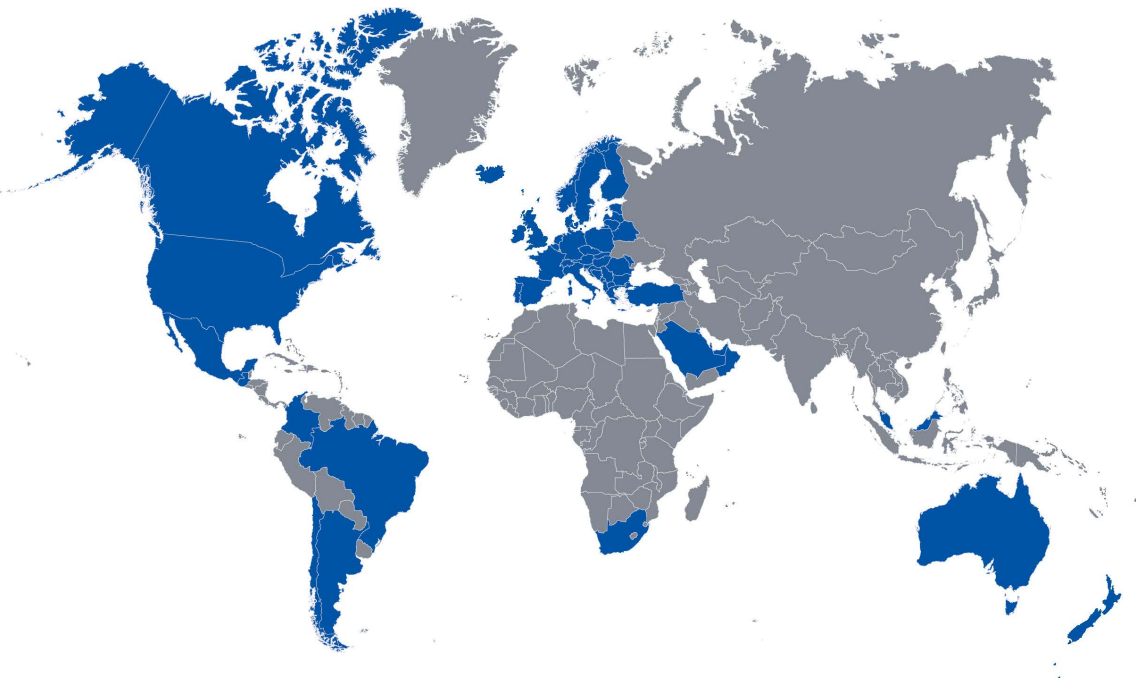
- Creating a singular, clear, and shared goal towards ending resin losses.
- Sharing resources and core frameworks for identifying areas of potential risk and methods for continual improvement.
- Providing a venue for pre-competitive collaboration and peer-learning opportunities.
- Incubating and amplifying solutions to prevent resin spills and strategies to recover and recycle resin.
- Accelerating technology transfer for effective tools to prevent loss and recover resin.
- Elevating success stories of companies dramatically reducing and eliminating plastic resin loss.



How does OCS work?

- Companies that physically handle plastic resin can join an OCS program as a member by signing the OCS Pledge and committing to work towards zero plastic resin loss. Eligibility criteria and requirements vary by OCS programs.
- Certain OCS programs have developed additional requirements for member companies that demonstrate industry's strong leadership and progress towards reducing resin loss. Additional requirements that select OCS programs have adopted include data reporting and facility inspection programs.
- OCS programs are launched in a country or region by a chemistry or plastics association licensing the OCS program from PLASTICS and ACC.

Where does OCS operate?



Today, OCS operates in more than 60 countries across six continents, including a majority of countries that have joined the High Ambition Coalition to End Plastic Pollution. A full list of [active international OCS programs](#) can be viewed by scanning the QR code here.



How can you get involved with OCS?



Companies

Join OCS as a member and demonstrate your ambition to zero plastic resin loss.



Stakeholders

Join as an OCS Supporter, available in many OCS programs.



Industry Associations

Raise awareness of your region's OCS program with your members or consider launching an OCS program if one doesn't currently exist.



Government Entities

Support and encourage industry to participate in OCS, the leading program to end resin loss in the environment.

To learn more:

Visit the OCS website at opcleansweep.org or contact us by email at ocs@plasticsindustry.org.