



Do you supply non-plastic items?



Submit your Portfolio to be linked to clients in the Hospitality and Tourism Industry

Despite Covid-19, the Single Use Plastic Ban will still come to effect on 05 June 2020. We want hotels, lodges and tour companies to be able to take advantage of this slow business period to source for alternatives.

Let us link you with potential clients.





About Us

The Sustainable Inclusive Business (SIB-K) is a Knowledge Centre under the Kenya Private Sector Foundation (KEPSA). The knowledge centre was launched in 2015 in response to a need for a neutral platform to support companies to increase their positive impact on People and the Planet and reduce their carbon footprint.

As part of KEPSA, SIB-K facilitates dialogue, partnerships and creates an enabling environment for sustainability. SIB-K brings together participants drawn from the industry ecosystem to bring together business enablers and partners and initiates engagement platforms to promote partnerships and support companies and organizations conduct sustainable business practices. More information on SIB-K can be found in <https://www.sustainableinclusivebusiness.org/>.

Context

Kenya has employed a lot of effort in tackling plastic, both from the government, civil society and private sector. Since the Plastic Ban Act 2017 took effect, we have seen behavioral and cultural changes across the country as Kenyans learn to bring their own bags and businesses find alternatives to packaging. However, there still remains a big need in the tourism/hospitality industry to address remaining forms of waste and plastic use and waste management, like the single use plastics, PET bottles, and packaging.

In a new legislation, the Kenyan government expects the private sector in the hospitality industry to recycle 50% of their waste by legal waste management companies.

In the new law and policy, the Kenyan government expects the private sector to take its role in reducing the use of plastic and to ensure these plastics are collected, sorted and recycled after use. Once the new Waste Management Bill has been accepted, one year will be given to implement accordingly. The government, through His Excellency has also announced a ban on single use plastic in beaches, national parks and conservation areas as of June 5, 2020. It is very likely that Kenya will be guided by the EU single use plastic ban interpretations. Therefore, we are aware of the urgency to organize ourselves before the looming ban finds us unprepared.

Gazette Notice No.4858 dated 05 June 2019

“notice of the ban of use of plastic bottles, straws, and related products within the protected areas in the national parks, national reserves, conservation areas and any other designated wildlife protected areas. The ban shall take effect from 4th June, 2020.”

Step one towards preparation and readiness is The Single Use Plastic Action Plan. The action plan outlines the banned items and recommended alternatives. **Step two** is identification of suppliers who provide these alternatives. **Step three** is linkage of these suppliers to the hospitality and tourism industry for implementation of supply contracts. **This call addresses step two.**

Scope of Services

The Sustainable Inclusive Business is offering a unique opportunity for providers of non-plastic items (**as identified in the table below**) to showcase their supplies and join a platform which will enable them enter into supplier contracts with hospitality and tourism stakeholders such as hotels, lodges, tour companies etc.

The table below presents the banned items and proposed alternatives:





List of Banned Items	Proposed Alternatives
1. Disposal cutlery, forks, knives, spoons, chopsticks, straws and beverage stirrers	cutlery - wooden/metallic or paper without plastic lining and locally available alternatives i.e. coconut husks and bamboo
2. PET bottles	Reusable plastic/glass bottles Drinks to be taken or served in designated places
3. Non-woven plastic carrier bags	Reusable woven carrier bags
4. Cigarettes with plastic filters (butts)	Cigarettes with non-plastic butts (smoking permitted only in designated areas)
5. Plastic cotton bud sticks	Wooden cotton bud sticks
6. Beverage containers (Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) beverage containers)	Use reusable beverage containers
7. Crips packets, sweet wrappers, bread bags and confectionery wrappers	Use paper wrappers
8. Sanitary items such as diapers (does not include sanitary pads)	Use reusable diapers/towels.
9. Wet wipes	Hand sanitizer or hand washing with water and soap, use tissue paper.
10. Lollipop sticks	Paper lollipop sticks
11. Single use plastic dental flosser	Dental Lace plastic-free dental floss
12. Single use toiletries packaged in plastics such as soap, lotions, shampoos etc.	Use refillable liquid soap containers

Eligible Applicants

This call is open to all categories of suppliers including small and medium-sized enterprises.

Interested suppliers must send their details as specified below to stella@sustainableinclusivebusiness.org by **30 May 2020**.

Requirements

1. Detailed profile - Custom pitch, social media links and related details. This profile will be used to introduce you and your company to potential clients (hospitality and tourism industry), explain the products and services that you offer.
2. Management structure - Identify the decision makers and the sales team to be contacted
3. Experience – testimonials from existing customers (if any); number of years in business; number of customers reached etc.
4. Confirmation of current Business Registration and Tax Compliance Certificates

