

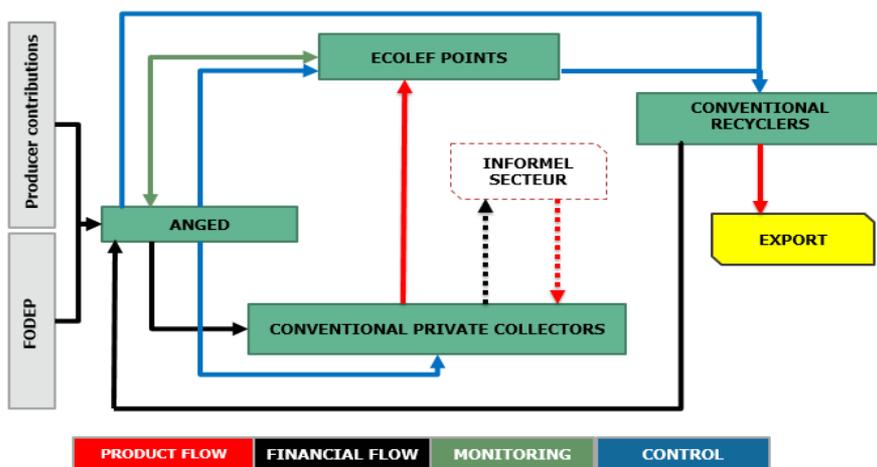
1. Institutional setting



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- Increased problems related to waste landfilling and collection
- Urgent political need to waste reduction and valorization
- Waste management legal framework exist since 1993
- Existent Eco-lef system is facing several problems and need to be updated after 18 years of activities.
- Project involve all the stakeholders of the sector (ANGED, MLAE, CITET, Private sector, Municipalities).

Current Eco-lef System



Collected quantities by the system



2. Starting point/Project goal

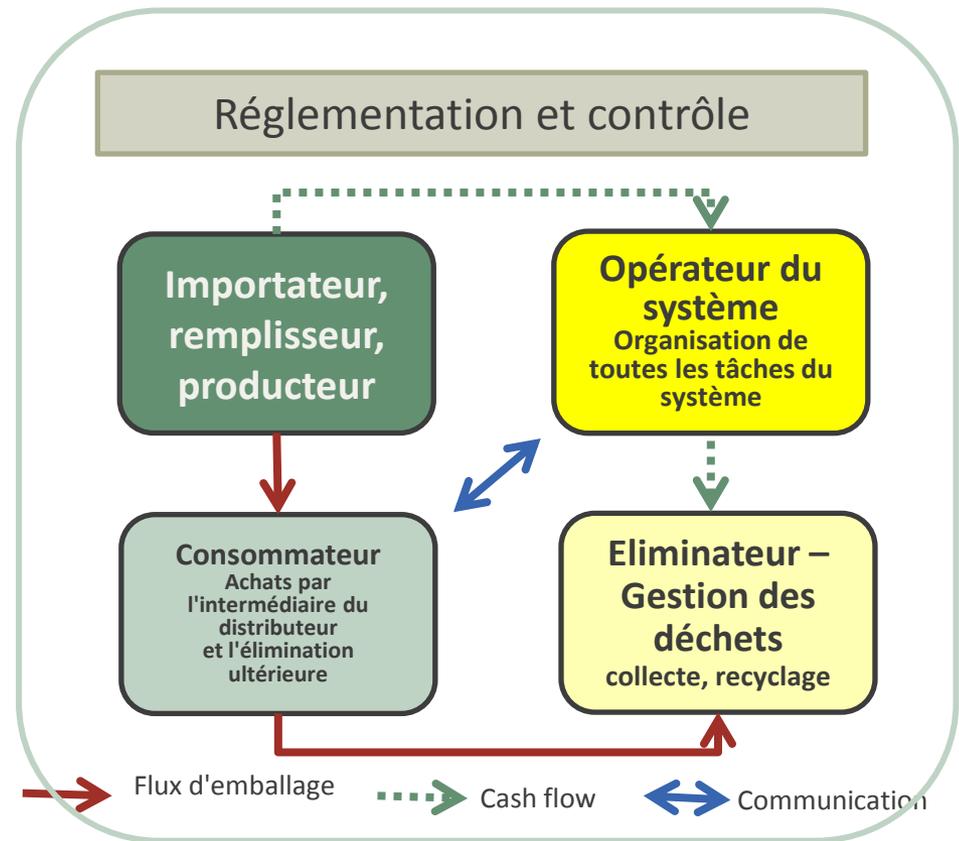
The main challenge is to organize the responsibility of packaging including plastic, and consequently reduce the environmental pollution caused by these items.

Other motivations of the project are:

- Regulation/Adoption of practical producer responsibility
- Sustainable businesses in recycling sector
- Reduction of marine pollution caused by packaging waste

The genders quality approach

is considered in the project, since both genders are active in the field (collection and recycling companies, informal sector, research, etc.).



3. Approach

- Adaptation / development of existing local laws
- Securing the necessary costs for recycling through producers
- Sharing responsibility with municipality in waste management
- Establishment of local structures for organization and implementation
- Improvement and securing of the jobs in the recycling industry and for informal sectors

4. Outputs

- **The main expected results** is to develop a diagnose the current system and to develop an EPR law and framework to be implemented in the near future.
- **The sustainability of the project** will be defined by the law, and through ensuring a better economic, social and environmental conditions related to the sector.

5. Lessons

Lessons Learned



- Close cooperation between Ministry of local affairs and environment (MLAE) and the industry
- Ministry (MLAE) / Waste Authority should design and control the ERP system but not operate
- EPR system should be adapted to the situation of the country
- EPR should be implemented through clear legislation and well-working cooperation between all actors.
- International Know-how in the design and operate is needed

6. Follow up



- Shall the extended producer organization take care of the cleaning of beaches and plastic pollution in the marine environment?
- What could be the role of the municipalities in such a concept?
- Are municipalities able to fulfill their responsibilities and to take decisions to reach the goals?