

CLEARRIVERS

2025 Annual Report



Preface

When I founded CLEAR RIVERS, it was driven by a simple belief: our oceans, and our world, deserve much better. Since then, we have worked to develop effective solutions to plastic pollution in waterways, addressing the problem from source to symptom. Along the way, we have engaged citizens, authorities, companies, and educational institutions in the transition towards a circular economy.

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS made concrete progress in reducing river pollution, strengthening our partnerships, and expanding our project scope. We are happy to share this progress in detail in this annual report.

I am deeply grateful to everyone who supported CLEAR RIVERS in 2025. Your support makes our work possible, and I look forward to continuing this journey together toward cleaner, healthier waters.

Ramon Knoester
Founder & Director, CLEAR RIVERS



Our founder, Ramon Knoester, at a clean up event - Rotterdam (2025)

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About CLEARRIVERS



Our founder, Ramon Knoester, at our modular Litter Trap installation – Dordrecht, Netherlands

Who We Are

CLEAR RIVERS was founded in 2014 by Ramon Knoester, an architect from Rotterdam. Confronted with plastic pollution along Dutch shores, he was struck by the scale of the problem and by how little was being done. **This concern sparked a clear vision: to stop plastic waste from reaching our oceans.**

CLEAR RIVERS is the public-facing brand of the Recycled Island Foundation. **The organization develops practical solutions to tackle plastic pollution at its source.** Our work focuses on retrieving debris from rivers and quays, organizing clean-up actions, promoting the circular reuse of plastics, and raising awareness through educational initiatives.

With over 12 years of experience, CLEAR RIVERS combines hands-on action with long-term impact. We work where plastic enters the water system and turn waste into valuable resources.

Today, **CLEAR RIVERS operates internationally**, with initiatives including Litter Trap installations, educational programs, and circular products, such as floating parks, building materials, and furniture.

We have corporate, non-profit, and governmental partners in the Netherlands, Belgium, Romania, Vietnam, Indonesia, and beyond, and we constantly strive to expand our global impact with new collaborations.

CLEAR RIVERS is a not-for-profit foundation governed by a board that sets the organization's strategic direction. All financial resources directly support our mission to prevent plastic pollution from reaching seas and oceans. CLEAR RIVERS holds ANBI (Public Benefit Organization) status in the Netherlands and has been officially registered in Vietnam since 2023.

Litter Trap - Can Tho, Vietnam

Our Team

Netherlands – Core Team



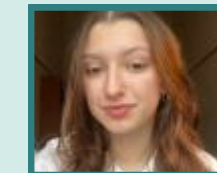
Ramon Knoester
Founding Director



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Board Member



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Project Assistant



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Vietnam – Core Team



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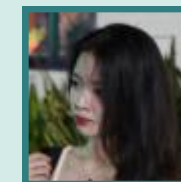


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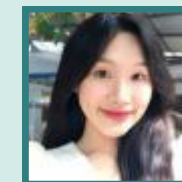


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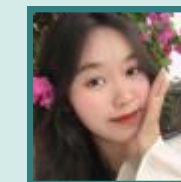
Our Volunteers



Nguyen Thi Phuong Dai
Volunteer



Nguyen Ngoc Anh
Volunteer



Nguyen Kim Nghi
Volunteer



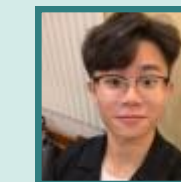
Tran Hung Nhan Qui
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Le Yen Nhi
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Pham Thao My
Volunteer



Nguyen Tan Phuc
Volunteer



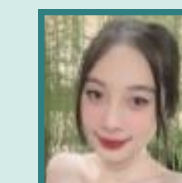
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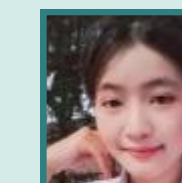
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Volunteer



Nguyen Doan Trang
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Nguyen Thi Dieu Hien
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Nguyen Cat Tien
Volunteer

Nguyen Hong Minh
Volunteer

Dang Cam Nhung
Volunteer

Phan Trong Phuc
Volunteer

Nguyen Van Nhi Dang
Volunteer

Huynh Thi Kim Nhu
Volunteer

Our Mission

CLEAR RIVERS exists to stop plastic pollution.

We prevent plastic waste from entering seas and oceans by tackling pollution at its source: in rivers, ports, and urban waterways. By intercepting plastic close to where it enters the water system, we prevent floating waste from reaching marine environments.

Although CLEAR RIVERS is headquartered in the Netherlands, plastic pollution is a global challenge that requires international action. Since 2023, we have strengthened our presence in Southeast Asia through representatives in Indonesia and Vietnam, expanding our local partnerships and on-the-ground impact.

Every year, around 8 million tonnes of plastic enter the oceans, adding to the estimated 150 million tonnes already circulating in marine environments. This means the equivalent of a truckload of plastic enters the ocean every minute. More than 80% of this pollution originates from land-based sources, primarily through rivers (Ritchie & Roser, 2018).

Stopping pollution in rivers is one of the most effective ways to protect our oceans.

Our Vision

We envision a world where rivers no longer carry plastic to the sea.

A world in which waterways are clean, ecosystems are restored, and plastic is recognized not as waste, but as a valuable resource within a circular economy.

In this future, cities, ports, communities, and businesses take shared responsibility for preventing plastic pollution at its source. Innovation, local ownership, and international collaboration work together to protect marine environments.

For this future to exist, we must stop plastic pollution both in the short and long-term. This is why, at CLEAR RIVERS, we adopted an integrated and international approach. We clean already existing debris from waterways, while preventing further pollution from occurring through initiatives targeting behavioral change.

Our vision goes beyond collecting plastics; we aim to address the issue at its core and contribute to a circular economy. By targeting both the causes and symptoms of the issue, we hope to create a world where no plastic flows from rivers into oceans, circular solutions replace linear waste systems, and communities are empowered to prevent and reuse plastic locally.



Our Approach

At CLEAR RIVERS, our goal is to offer effective solutions to a complex global challenge. Our greatest strength is our holistic approach that combines **cleaning** initiatives focused on immediate mitigation with **prevention** measures targeting long-term behavioral change. With over **10 years of experience** in designing, testing and implementing different solutions, we have developed our **5 key pillars of action**.

By alleviating symptoms and tackling root causes, **CLEAR RIVERS is uniquely positioned to deliver lasting impact** in the fight against global plastic pollution in waters.



Clean up with Cargill & Roeivereniging De Stern volunteers (2025)

Clean



Clean Ups

We involve local citizens and organizations in cleaning up water shores. These actions mobilize companies, schools, and communities while making pollution visible and tangible. Our clean ups combine immediate impact with long-term behavioral change.



Litter Traps

We implement Litter Traps that capture debris in rivers before it reaches our oceans. Our Litter Traps are tested and validated passive systems that harness natural forces, such as water currents and wind, and are largely made from recycled plastics.



Education

We educate children and young professionals on plastic pollution. Through lectures, workshops, and hands-on activities, we connect knowledge with real-world action, empowering generations to contribute to a plastic-free sea.



Awareness

We raise awareness on global plastic pollution to drive behavioral change through events, partnerships, and digital storytelling. By sharing data-driven insights, we make plastic pollution concrete, encouraging collaboration and collective responsibility.



Recycling

We assign new value to collected litter by recycling it into new products. We close the loop between interception and reuse. From circular prototypes to local recycling partnerships, we assign new value to marine litter. Circularity is embedded in our identity.

Prevent

Our Impact in Numbers



> 40'000 kg of
trash collected



> 150
cleanups

with **> 100**
partners



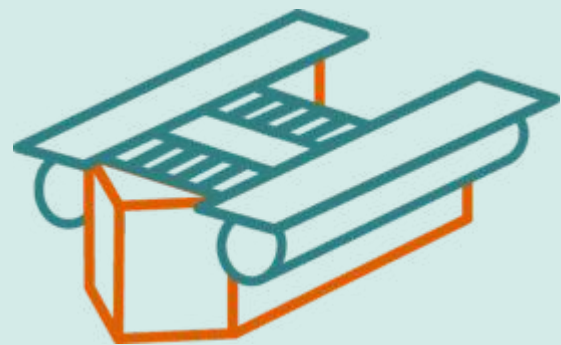
> 6'000 pupils reached across
4 levels of education

> 50 educational
institutions involved

> 60 projects executed



16 active
Litter Traps



in **7** countries
across
2 continents

10-100 kg
of trash collected
per emptying



> 1'000'000
people reached



> 100 awareness-
raising initiatives

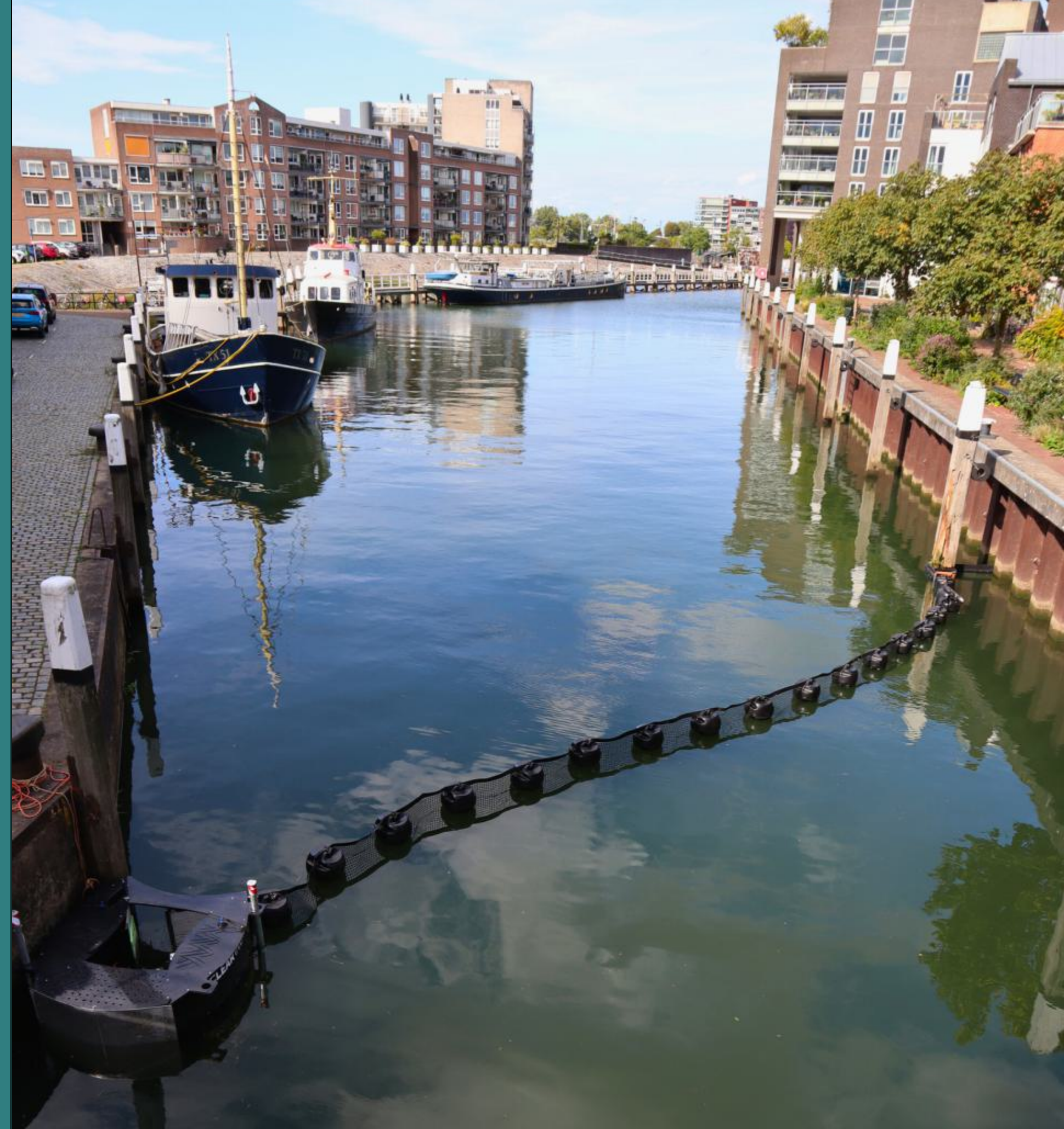
> 10
circular products



> 10 circularity
partners

CLEARRIVERS in 2025

Learn more about our initiatives, partnerships,
and achievements of this year.



Modular Litter Trap - Dordrecht, Netherlands

2025 At a Glance



Clean Ups

10

Clean Ups

17

Partners

> 1'200

Kgs of trash
collected



Litter Traps

16

Active Litter
Traps

7

Countries

1

New Model
Deployed

2

Enhancement
Innovations



Education

7

Initiatives

> 200

Students

4

Levels of
Education

4

Research
Projects



Awareness

3

Awareness-
Raising Events

> 150

Awareness-
Raising Social
Media Posts



Recycling

9

Circular
Products

> 10

Circularity
Project Partners

2

Projects Under
Exploration

Clean Ups

Clean ups remain a core component of CLEAR RIVERS' hands-on approach to tackling plastic pollution. In 2025, we mobilized volunteers, companies, students, and local communities across the Netherlands and Vietnam to remove plastic waste from riverbanks, ports, and urban waterways.

Beyond immediate debris removal, these actions prevent plastic from re-entering the water system and serve as powerful tools for awareness and local engagement.

The initiatives highlighted in this report reflect a year of collective action and measurable impact.



Student-Led Cleanup

We started the year partnering with Master and Bachelor students from the Erasmus University Rotterdam and the University of St.Gallen, a leading business institution in Switzerland.

This event consisted of a keynote, followed by a hands-on clean up along the quay of the New Meuse, in Rotterdam.

In this initiative that combined prevention with cleaning, volunteers collected a total of **14 bags of litter.**



Clean up with Ipsen volunteers - North Sea Canal (2025)

Clean Up with Cargill and Rvdestern de Stern

In April, we organized a clean up event with two dedicated corporate partners, Cargill and Rvdestern de Stern.

The two companies were eager to involve their employees in this direct action for environmental protection. This serves both as a means to raise individual awareness, as well as to showcase the companies' active commitment to cleaner waters.

During the event, participants removed **over 320kg of waste** from the quay.



clean Up with Stolt Tankers & LyondellBasell

In June, we organized another clean up event in Rotterdam in collaboration with Stolt Tankers and LyondellBasell.

Although much of the plastic litter was deeply hidden within riverside vegetation, the team successfully removed approximately **33 kilograms of waste** from the environment.

The event once again demonstrated the value of corporate engagement and collective action. We sincerely thank all participants for their commitment and strong team spirit.



Clean Up by Pedal Boat in Amsterdam

That same month, CLEAR RIVERS organized a clean up in Amsterdam in collaboration with Garanti BBVA International.

Working from pedal boats, the team collected **82 kilograms of litter in just one hour** from the city's canals.

Among the recovered waste were larger items such as a bicycle, a moped helmet, and a shopping cart. This highlights the scale and diversity of debris found in urban waterways.

We thank the team of Garanti BBVA International for their active participation and continued commitment to cleaner canals.



“What strikes me the most is the **amount of small plastics stuck in-between the rocks**. They are so hard to collect, and yet **so harmful** to the environment.

(Student from Erasmus University of Rotterdam, 2025)

“ *I did not imagine that the water pollution in Rotterdam was so **pervasive and severe**.*

(Clean up volunteer, 2025)

Harbor Clean Up with Festo

In July, CLEAR RIVERS organized a clean up in Rotterdam with the enthusiastic support of Festo.

16 volunteers worked along the Lekhaven and Keilehaven, removing plastic litter that had washed up on the quays.

Together, the team removed **70 kilograms of marine litter**, contributing directly to cleaner harbor areas and reducing the risk of further pollution reaching the North Sea.

We sincerely thank Festo and its volunteers for their hands-on contribution to protecting Rotterdam's waterways.



Annual Clean Up with Green Business Club Rotterdam Alexander

In September, CLEAR RIVERS partnered with the Green Business Club Rotterdam Alexander for its annual neighborhood clean up, in which local firms take responsibility for maintaining a litter-free environment in their own district.

This year, teams from Middin, CGI Nederland, Coca-Cola Europacific Partners, Gemeente Rotterdam, and Stichting Laurens participated in a friendly competition to collect the most waste from the streets.

Together, participants removed **over 100 kilograms of litter**, contributing directly to a cleaner and more livable neighborhood.



Clean Up with Cargill & Roeivereniging De Stern

In October, the southern bank of the North Sea Canal became significantly cleaner following a clean up with volunteers from Cargill and Roeivereniging De Stern. Together, the teams removed **more than 39 bags of plastic waste** from the riverbank.

By addressing litter accumulation along the shoreline, the volunteers helped prevent plastic from re-entering the water system and contributing to further marine pollution.

We sincerely thank all participants for their dedication and commitment, and we look forward to continuing our collaboration in future initiatives.



Clean Up with Ipsen

CLEAR RIVERS organized another clean up in October along the North Sea Canal. This time, our collaboration was with Ipsen.

Within just one hour, the participating team removed 93 kilograms of plastic litter from a heavily polluted section of the quay.

Collected waste ranged from plastic foil, PET bottles, Styrofoam, food packaging, rope, and larger items. such as a container lid and even a car tire.

We appreciated collaborating with the Ipsen team in this initiative.



“*I think **everyone should get involved** in this type of clean up initiative at least once in their lifetime. It is such an **eye-opening experience**; and it highlights the power of **individual action** to solve sustainability challenges.*

(Clean up volunteer, 2025)

“ I will definitely be more **mindful** of my consumption of **single-use plastics** following this clean up.

(Clean up volunteer, 2025)

Clean Up at Rotterdam Lekhaven with LyondellBasell

Volunteers from LyondellBasell joined us for a clean up at the Rotterdam Lekhaven, where **30 kilograms of plastic litter were removed from the quay. In just one hour, the team collected more than 16 bags of waste.**

This area experiences a constant influx of debris carried by the Nieuwe Maas. Incoming tides and southwesterly winds push litter into the harbor, where it accumulates.

By regularly removing this waste, we prevent macroplastics from fragmenting into microplastics and being carried back toward the North Sea by the outgoing tide.



Student Clean Up: Final Event of 2025

In November, CLEAR RIVERS organized the final clean up event of the year together with students from Melanchthon Schiebroek.

In addition to participating in hands-on litter removal, **students learned more about our integrated approach to preventing plastic pollution at its source.**

By combining education with direct action, the event reinforced the importance of local responsibility and behavioral change.

We thank the students for their enthusiasm, curiosity, and active engagement.

Litter Traps

Since 2017, CLEAR RIVERS has developed and refined its Litter Trap technology to intercept plastic pollution at strategic points in rivers and canals.

In 2025, we continued to expand, optimize, and innovate our installations. From installing our first modular Litter Trap in Dordrecht (Netherlands) to implementing a solar-powered propulsion system that enhances capture efficiency, we have achieved meaningful milestones over the past year that we are proud to share with our partners and supporters.

This section highlights key installations, pilots, and technological advancements achieved in 2025.

Ongoing Litter Trap Debris Collection

CLEAR RIVERS' Litter Traps are emptied on a regular basis to ensure continuous and effective waste interception. **On average, each installation recovers between 5 and 100 kilograms of marine debris per week, depending on location, tidal influence, and seasonal conditions.**

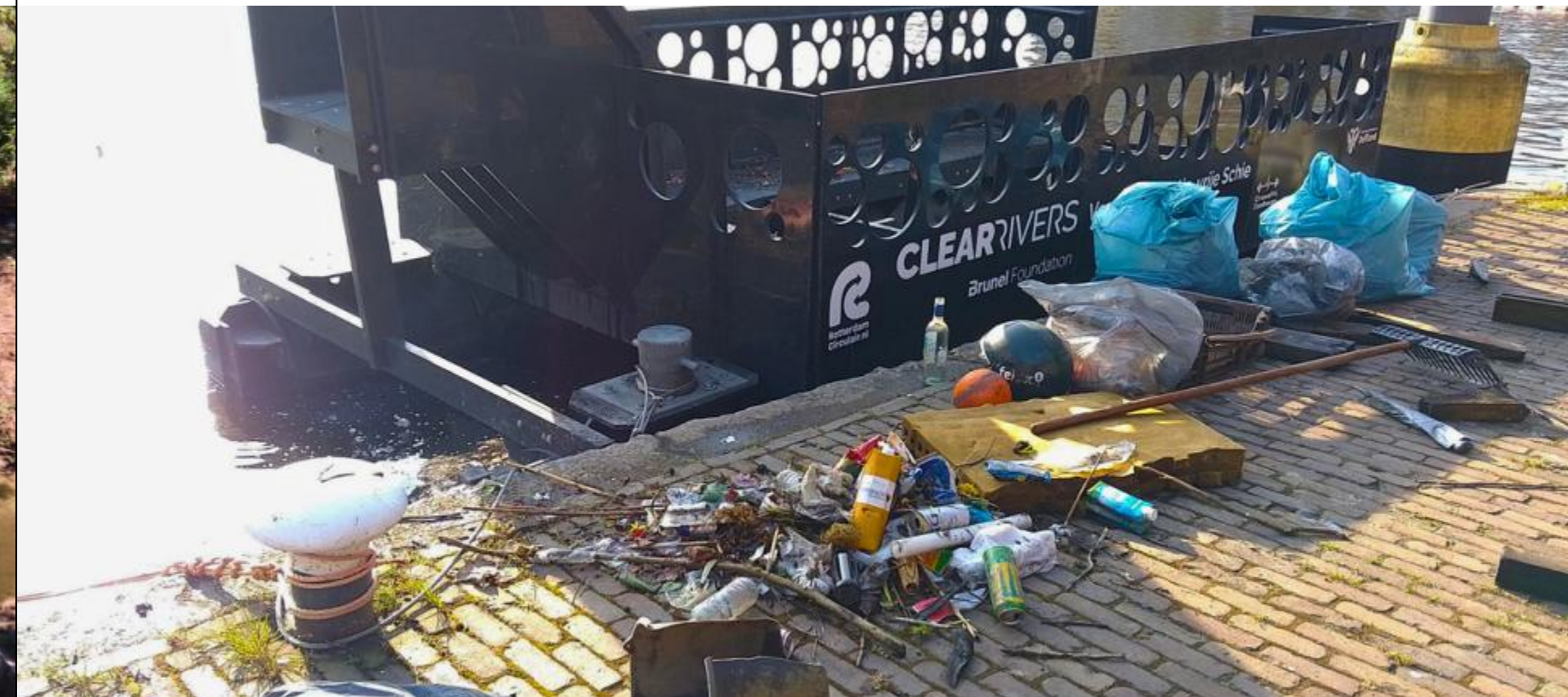
The collected material illustrates both the scale and diversity of pollution present in urban waterways. In one example, **a single Litter Trap recovered 40 kilograms of debris from a local canal**, including fragments of kitchen cabinets, a watering can, nitrous oxide cylinders, PET bottles (both intact and partially filled), Styrofoam boat remnants, footwear, and other discarded household items.

In another instance, a trap required two consecutive collections within one week, yielding over 50 plastic bags of varying sizes and removing more than 100 kilograms of marine pollution from the water system.

These weekly operations prevent larger plastic items from fragmenting into microplastics and reduce the risk of debris being transported further downstream toward the North Sea. Continuous monitoring and maintenance of the Litter Traps remain a core component of CLEAR RIVERS' strategy to intercept plastic pollution at critical points within river systems.



Litter Trap - Oradea, Romania



Debris collection at Litter Trap – Rotterdam

Litter Trap Innovations

Deployment of the pLitter AI-CCTV System – Can Tho, Vietnam

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS Vietnam installed the pLitter AI-CCTV system in Can Tho as part of the PlasticFlow Mekong Project.

The system consists of two solar-powered AI-CCTV cameras installed on the Rach Ngong Bridge to monitor plastic waste flows in the Rach Ngong Canal.

Designed by the Geoinformatics Center (GIC) at the Asian Institute of Technology and installed in collaboration with DeltaFly and AE78g Company, the system enables real-time monitoring and data-driven analysis of plastic pollution.

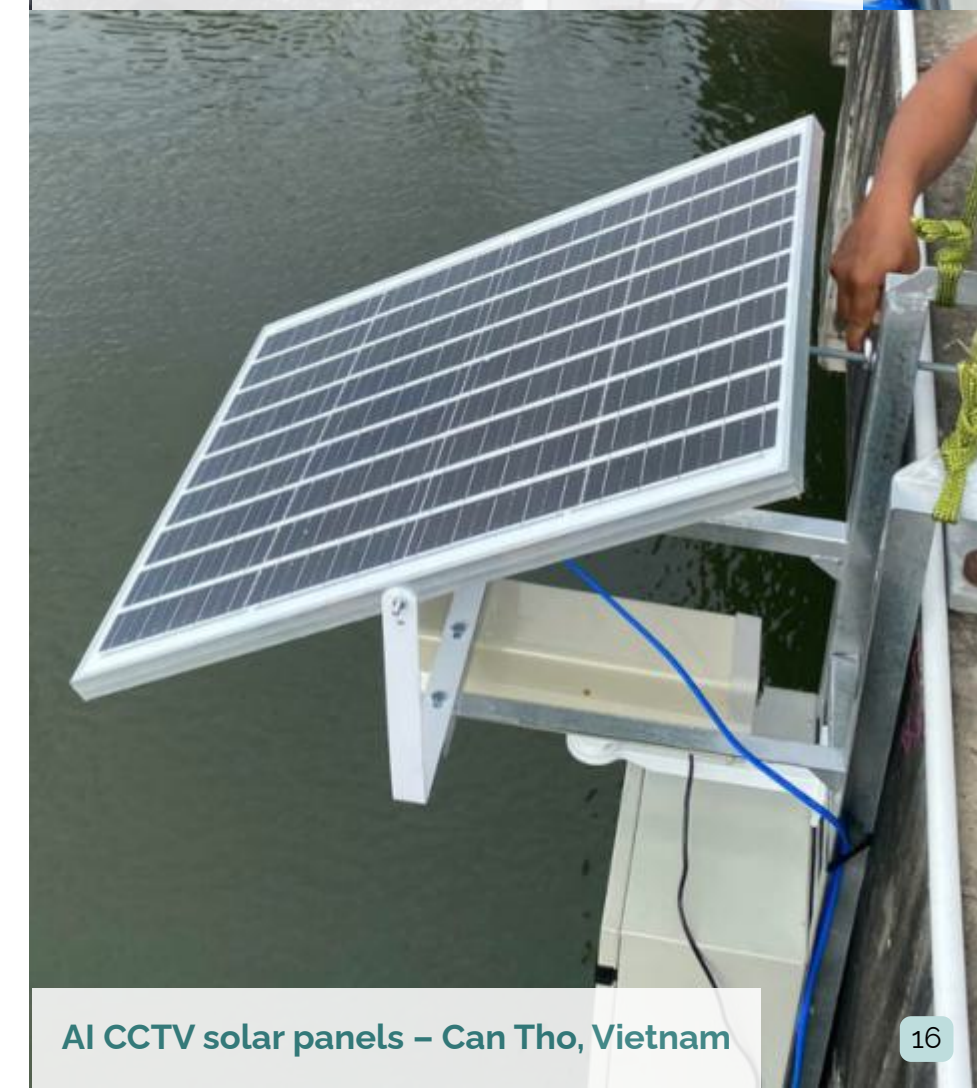
By combining artificial intelligence with renewable energy solutions, **the project strengthens our capacity to quantify plastic leakage and better understand pollution dynamics in the Mekong region.**

The collected data supports more targeted interventions, improved policy engagement, and evidence-based environmental management.

This installation represents an important step toward integrating smart technology into riverine plastic pollution prevention strategies.



AI CCTV system installation – Can Tho, Vietnam



AI CCTV solar panels – Can Tho, Vietnam

Pilot and First Installation of Solar-Powered Propeller System – Rotterdam

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS advanced its innovation efforts with the successful deployment of a solar-powered electric propeller system in Rotterdam.

The first unit is now fully operational at our Litter Trap installation in Coolhaven, where it actively enhances debris interception.

The propeller engine creates a controlled water flow that gently directs floating plastic waste out of the fairway and toward the Litter Trap. By influencing current dynamics in a targeted manner, the system increases the capture efficiency of the installation without obstructing vessel traffic or disturbing the surrounding ecosystem.

Powered entirely by solar panels, the system operates on renewable energy and is designed for low-maintenance, durable performance.

During the pilot phase, the engine was tested under various weather conditions, current intensities, and engine speeds to assess its effectiveness across different types of floating debris.

Early results showed a **clear improvement in the concentration and guidance of plastic waste toward the collection system. We see an efficiency of 75% to 100% of plastic being pushed out of the fairway and towards the trap's entrance.** Results also confirm that the current created by the engine causes no disturbance to ships or other water-based activities.

The insights gained from this first operational phase in Coolhaven are being used to further optimize the configuration and performance of future installations. The final design aims to maximize marine debris capture while minimizing energy consumption, reinforcing CLEAR RIVERS' commitment to scalable, data-informed, and energy-efficient innovation.

We thank Rotterdam Circulair and the Brunel Foundation for supporting the development and implementation of this forward-looking solution.

Looking ahead, CLEAR RIVERS aims to further develop and deploy this enhancement across additional Litter Trap locations. By combining passive interception with targeted flow guidance, the propeller system represents **an important step toward more efficient and adaptable plastic capture solutions in diverse waterways.**

Below is an aerial view illustration of how the propeller engine at Coolhaven, Rotterdam, functions.

The orange arrow indicates the direction of the current coming from the propeller engine and pushing the litter towards the Litter Trap on the opposite side of the harbor.



Our first propeller engine – Rotterdam

New Installations

Achieving Circularity – Ambon, Indonesia

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS reached an important milestone in Ambon, Indonesia, by establishing a fully circular plastic recovery system. **Trash booms were installed in three rivers to intercept plastic debris before it could reach the sea**, significantly reducing marine leakage at critical points.

The collected plastic waste is recovered from the booms by our local partner, Recovered Indonesia (Reco). **With newly installed recycling machinery, the organization is now able to process the intercepted plastic into valuable new products, including furniture pieces.** This development marks a significant step toward closing the loop locally.

Ambon, like many islands in Indonesia, has faced plastic pollution challenges for decades. While many goods imported to the island are made of or packaged in plastic, local recycling infrastructure has historically been limited. By combining debris interception with on-site recycling capacity, CLEAR RIVERS' integrated approach both prevents marine pollution and supports the development of a local circular economy.

We thank our partner Recovered Indonesia and the Eureka Network for their collaboration and support in advancing this impactful initiative.



Debris collection – Ambon, Indonesia



Recycled plastic batten – Ambon, Indonesia



Debris accumulation – Ambon, Indonesia

Launch of our New Modular Litter Trap – Dordrecht, Netherlands

In September 2025, CLEAR RIVERS installed its newest Modular Litter Trap in the Riedijkshaven in Dordrecht.

During its first month of operation, the installation retrieved 430 items of marine debris, demonstrating strong early performance. Among the collected waste were 269 small plastic foil fragments, highlighting the significant presence of small plastic particles in open waterways.

The trap is emptied on a weekly basis, and all recovered debris is systematically sorted and analyzed. This process not only ensures effective removal of both macro- and microplastics, but also provides valuable insight into local pollution patterns.

The Modular Litter Trap represents CLEAR RIVERS’ latest development in durable and cost-effective plastic interception. Building on the experience gained from installing more than twenty Litter Traps internationally since 2017, the new design focuses on scalability, efficiency, and ease of implementation.



Modular Litter Trap installation – Dordrecht, Netherlands



Modular Litter Trap – Dordrecht, Netherlands

Compact and modular, the system is designed for straightforward transport and installation: all components fit into the back of a standard van, and the trap can be assembled and deployed by two people.

Constructed from recycled plastic, the installation also contributes to circular economy principles, reinforcing the sustainability of the solution itself.

While the trap's effectiveness is encouraging, the volume and composition of collected plastic pollution remain a stark reminder of the scale of the challenge.

The Dordrecht installation underscores both the urgency of continued action and the importance of innovative, scalable solutions.

We thank our project partners, Gemeente Dordrecht and Waterschap Hollandse Delta, for their collaboration in bringing this new system into operation.

Catches of the Year

Are you curious about what ends up in our Litter Traps? We have seen it all, from helmets, to broken phones, toys, coffee pots, and so much more. These objects illustrate both the unpredictability and scale of plastic leakage in urban waterways. [Check out 2025's hall of fame.](#)

Fake skull



Nike shoes



Stuffed animal



Spa slippers



Styrofoam



Education

Education is fundamental to long-term plastic pollution prevention, and therefore, it is a key priority for CLEAR RIVERS.

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS engaged pupils, students, and young professionals through lectures, workshops, research collaborations, and hands-on field activities.

By combining knowledge-sharing with practical experience, from emptying Litter Traps to designing circular products, **we empower the next generation to take ownership of sustainable water management.**

The initiatives presented in this section of our report demonstrate how education strengthens systemic change.



Presentation to students from Toorop MAVO – Rotterdam



“From Waste to Wetlands” Eco-Innovation Design Challenge – Vietnam

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS launched and successfully implemented the national competition **“From Waste to Wetlands” in Vietnam**. The initiative challenged young innovators to design floating garden models made from recycled plastic, aimed at improving water quality in riverine urban areas.

Organized by CLEAR RIVERS with support from the Consulate General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Ho Chi Minh City, the Netherlands Enterprise Agency (RVO), and Partners for Water, the program combined environmental innovation with youth engagement. The competition was conducted online and open to Vietnamese citizens aged 18–30, including university students, postgraduates, young professionals, and members of social organizations or start-ups.

Participants worked in teams of two and submitted concept proposals consisting of a short motivation video and a preliminary design sketch.

Through this format, the initiative promoted creative thinking around plastic waste recycling, circular design, and ecosystem restoration. Selected concepts contributed to the development and piloting of floating garden models in Can Tho, where they aim to support water quality improvement and urban biodiversity restoration.

Over four structured mentoring sessions, teams refined their technical designs, strengthened feasibility, and developed full prototype models integrating recycled materials.

During the prototype phase, participants received recycled materials and financial support to build and test their floating wetland concepts in water.

The hands-on process translated circular economy principles into tangible solutions, demonstrating how recovered plastic can be transformed into functional ecological infrastructure.

The journey culminated on August 28, 2025, with the Final Pitching Day, where the 8 finalist teams presented their prototypes and implementation strategies to a professional jury board.

Projects were evaluated on innovation, practical application, aesthetic design, environmental impact, and presentation quality. The following three teams were selected as winners of the competition (see images of their prototypes on the right).



Importantly, the initiative did not end with the competition. **CLEAR RIVERS is now moving into the next phase of prototype fabrication, pilot testing, and impact assessment, with plans to implement and evaluate the floating wetland models in Can Tho.**

By combining youth engagement, circular material use, structured mentorship, and real-world piloting, From Waste to Wetlands demonstrates CLEAR RIVERS' integrated approach: preventing plastic pollution while fostering innovation and ecosystem restoration.



Prototype by GreenCTU team



Prototype by GreenGem team



Prototype by GreenRaft team

“ *Engaging students and young professionals in solving global plastic pollution is **our biggest hope for long-lasting change**. This is why education initiatives are a **core priority** for CLEAR RIVERS.*

(Ramon Knoester, Founder, 2025)

Student Assignment with Hogeschool Rotterdam

From September to January, CLEAR RIVERS collaborated with students from Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences (Hogeschool Rotterdam) on a technical assignment linked to our propeller innovation.

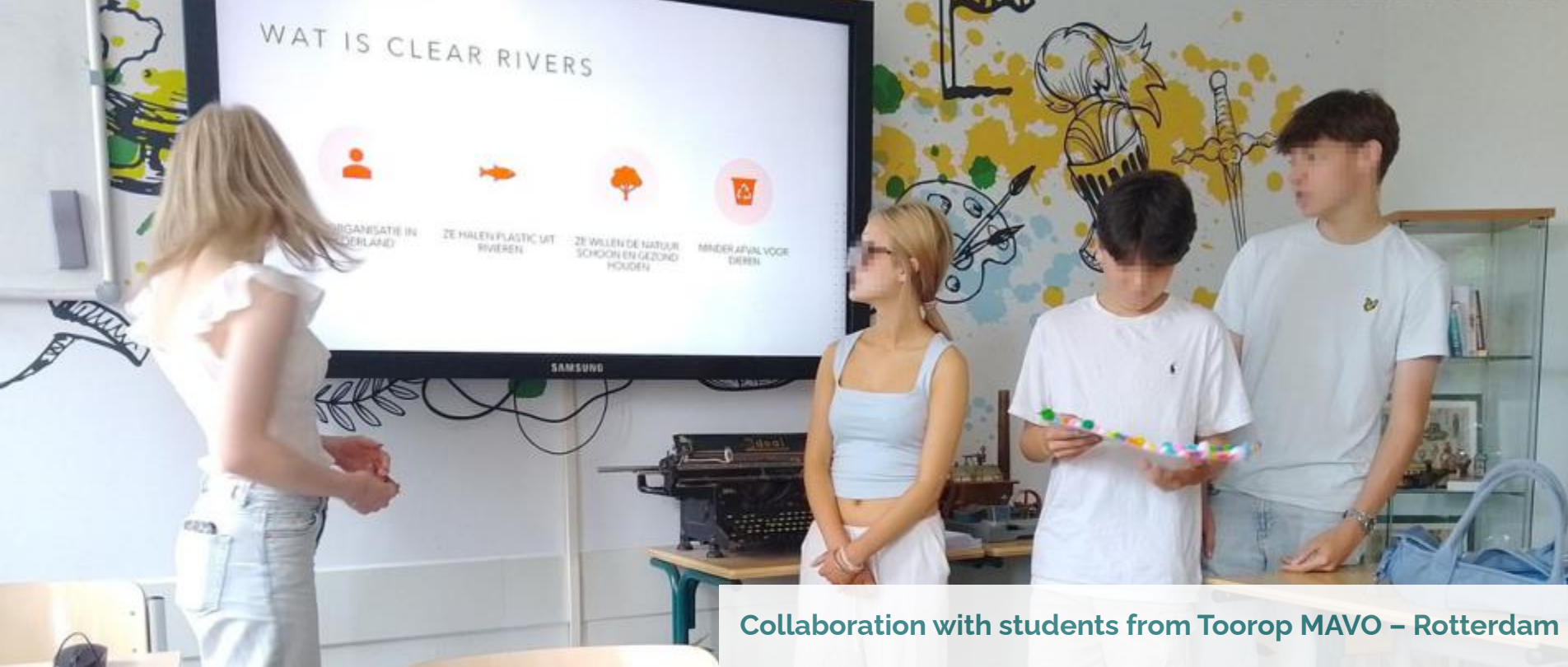
The student team developed a **weather station concept designed to monitor environmental conditions and support the control of water currents generated by the solar-powered propeller system**. By analyzing factors such as wind and flow dynamics, the project contributes to optimizing the efficiency and performance of the installation.

Guest Lectures at the Erasmus University of Rotterdam

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS delivered a series of lectures at Erasmus University Rotterdam, engaging classes of approximately 20 students per session. During these interactive presentations, our founder, Ramon Knoester, addressed the global scale and systemic nature of plastic pollution and introduced CLEAR RIVERS' integrated approach to tackling the issue.

Beyond raising awareness, the sessions encouraged critical dialogue and active participation. Students were invited to explore the environmental, social, and economic dimensions of plastic pollution and to reflect on their own role as future professionals in driving sustainable solutions. **Through open discussion and exchange, the lectures fostered deeper understanding and long-term behavioral changes among students.**





Collaboration with students from Toorop MAVO – Rotterdam

Lecture to students of Melanchthon Schiebroek – Rotterdam

CLEAR RIVERS delivered a lecture to 12 students of Melanchthon Schiebroek, introducing our integrated approach to preventing plastic pollution.

The session combined awareness-building with action, as students not only learned about the issue but also participated in a clean up activity themselves.

By linking knowledge to hands-on experience, the initiative reinforced the importance of individual responsibility in protecting local waterways.

Educational Program with Toorop MAVO – Rotterdam

CLEAR RIVERS collaborated closely with pupils from Toorop MAVO in Rotterdam. Over the course of four days, students visited our office, assisted in emptying our Litter Traps, and developed their own ideas to prevent plastic pollution.

By combining hands-on experience with critical reflection and creative problem-solving, the program enabled students to better understand the sources and impacts of plastic waste in urban waterways.

We thank the pupils, their teachers, Toorop MAVO, and Rotterdam Circulair for their engagement in this initiative.

Circular Design Workshop with 85 Students – Rotterdam

CLEAR RIVERS collaborated with 85 students to explore new circular applications for plastic recovered from Dutch waterways. As we continue to collect plastic waste on a weekly basis, identifying innovative and accessible reuse pathways remains a key priority.

To make circularity tangible and educational, we are developing a circular workshop space at our Rotterdam office. In this space, students, pupils, and volunteers will transform plastic drift waste into valuable new products. The recent workshop provided valuable insights into initial concepts and design possibilities, laying the foundation for future circular creations.

Education remains a central pillar of CLEAR RIVERS' integrated approach to tackling plastic pollution. By combining hands-on experimentation with environmental awareness, we empower young people to actively contribute to creating plastic-free rivers.

We thank KITE Educatie and Rotterdam Circulair for organizing and facilitating this initiative.



Circular design workshop – Rotterdam

Awareness

Creating visible impact is essential to changing behavior.

Throughout 2025, CLEAR RIVERS participated in conferences, public events, and partnerships that expanded our reach beyond direct operations.

By presenting captured marine debris, sharing data-driven insights, and engaging with diverse audiences, from policymakers to business leaders, we reinforced the urgency of addressing plastic pollution and the importance of collaborative solutions.

This section presents some of the highlights of our 2025 awareness-raising efforts.



Our founder, Ramon Knoester, presenting at VIETWATER, Vietnam



Plastics delivered to Rijn-Maas PLASTIVAL – Rotterdam

Participation in the Rijn-Maas PLASTIVAL – Rotterdam

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS contributed to the Rijn-Maas PLASTIVAL, an initiative of the Community of Practice Plastics organized by Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences, the Municipality of Rotterdam, the Port of Rotterdam, Rijkswaterstaat West Nederland Zuid, and Wageningen University & Research.

The event highlighted the essential role of research, education, and collaboration in working toward a Plastic Free Delta.

As part of the program, CLEAR RIVERS delivered two large bags of marine debris collected from our Litter Traps in Rotterdam. The materials were sorted and analyzed during the event, providing tangible insight into the composition and scale of plastic pollution in local waterways.

By making captured waste visible within an academic and policy-driven setting, the initiative strengthened the connection between field operations, research, and public awareness, reinforcing the importance of collaboration and shared responsibility in tackling plastic pollution.

We thank Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences, Rotterdam Circulair, and Tijmen den Oudendammer for their collaboration in this impactful event.

Sponsorship for the Miss Business Global Contest – Vietnam

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS sponsored the Miss Business Global contest in Vietnam, using the platform to raise awareness about plastic pollution and sustainable water management among a broad and diverse audience.

By engaging with business leaders, entrepreneurs, and media networks connected to the event, CLEAR RIVERS expanded its outreach beyond traditional environmental circles.

The sponsorship provided an opportunity to highlight the importance of corporate responsibility and cross-sector collaboration in addressing plastic pollution and advancing circular economy solutions.

Participation in VIETWATER – Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

In October 2025, CLEAR RIVERS presented its integrated approach to tackling plastic pollution at VIETWATER in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

During the three-day event, we highlighted our activities in Vietnam, including the installation of our first Litter Trap in 2024, as well as ongoing clean ups, education programs, awareness initiatives, and recycling efforts.

By participating in one of the region's leading water sector exhibitions, CLEAR RIVERS strengthened its visibility within the international water management community and engaged with stakeholders interested in sustainable and scalable solutions to plastic pollution.

We thank the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Vietnam for its support and collaboration in facilitating our participation.



CLEAR RIVERS presentation at VIETWATER, Vietnam

Recycling

Recycling transforms interception into circular value. **In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS strengthened local recycling pathways in both the Netherlands and Southeast Asia, turning recovered plastic into durable new products and circular applications.**

From furniture production in Ambon to product innovation in Can Tho, our recycling efforts close the loop between prevention and reuse. The projects in this section illustrate how waste can become a resource within a functioning circular economy.



Floating wetland – Vietnam

Concept Development for New Circular Workshops – Rotterdam

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS advanced on the concept development of a Circular Workshop at its Rotterdam location. The workshop is designed to be an interactive space where recovered plastic from local waterways can be processed and transformed into new, value-added products together with students, volunteers, and partners.

By combining hands-on material experimentation with education and circular design principles, the initiative aims to make plastic pollution tangible while demonstrating practical reuse pathways. The Circular Workshop will serve as a bridge between clean up operations, recycling innovation, and community engagement, strengthening CLEAR RIVERS' local circular ecosystem.

Implementing this concept in practice is one of CLEAR RIVERS' current main priorities for the following years.



Circular workshop concept



Circular products – Can Tho, Vietnam

From Marine Pollution to Circular Products – Can Tho, Vietnam

In 2025, CLEAR RIVERS demonstrated the tangible potential of circular solutions in Can Tho, Vietnam. **Over a six-month period, 300 kilograms of plastic waste collected from our Litter Trap in Cai Khe Canal and through the Zero-Waste School Model at To Hien Thanh Primary School were transformed into durable, functional recycled products.**

In collaboration with PLASTICPeople and Mộc Saigon, the recovered materials were analyzed, processed, and converted into high-quality products, proving that intercepted marine debris can re-enter the value chain as a resource. The initiative was supported by the UN Environment Programme and The Usual Hotels, and implemented in close cooperation with the school community, the Can Tho People's Committee, and the Department of Natural Resources and Environment of Can Tho City.

By connecting river interception, education, and local recycling capacity, this project reinforces CLEAR RIVERS' integrated approach: preventing plastic leakage while building local circular economies.

Unibrick Demonstration Building

In 2025, the first Unibrick demonstration building was completed, showcasing how recycled plastic can be transformed into innovative construction materials.

Unibrick is an interlocking building block made from recycled plastic, designed as a circular alternative for sustainable construction. Our partner, Unibrick, is behind this powerful initiative.

CLEAR RIVERS contributed to the project by supplying plastic waste collected from our Litter Traps in local waterways.

This collaboration highlights how intercepted river plastic can be repurposed into durable, value-added products, reinforcing the link between pollution prevention and circular building solutions.



Unibrick demonstration building



Chair made from recycled plastics – Ambon, Indonesia

Achieving Circularity – Ambon, Indonesia

Building on the installation of trash booms in three rivers in Ambon, CLEAR RIVERS reached an important milestone in 2025 by **establishing a local recycling pathway for the intercepted plastic waste**. The collected material is recovered and processed by our local partner, Recovered Indonesia (Reco), using newly installed recycling machinery.

For the first time, plastic debris captured before reaching the sea is being transformed locally into valuable new products, including furniture pieces. This development addresses a long-standing challenge on the island, where plastic consumption has grown over decades without adequate recycling infrastructure.

By combining river interception with on-site recycling capacity, CLEAR RIVERS' approach in Ambon moves beyond waste collection toward the creation of a functioning local circular economy. **The initiative demonstrates how environmental protection and economic value creation can reinforce one another in vulnerable island contexts.**

We thank Recovered Indonesia and the Eureka Network for their essential support in realizing this circular transition.

Circularity Embedded in Our Operations and Identity

Circularity is not an add-on to CLEAR RIVERS' work; it is embedded in our identity.

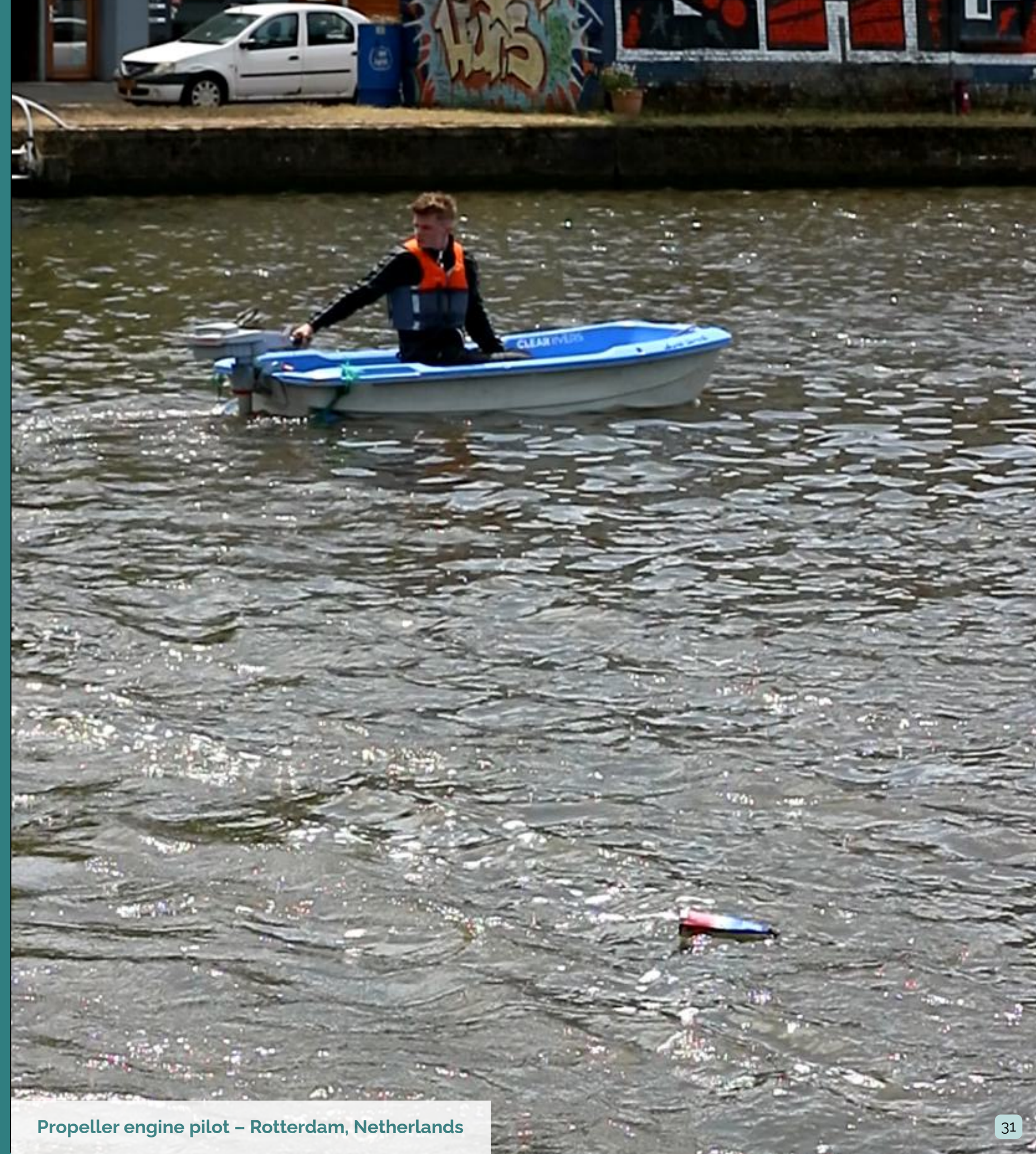
Plastic waste intercepted through our Litter Traps is not only removed from waterways but actively reintegrated into new applications, from durable products to ecological installations.

Our Litter Traps themselves are largely produced from recycled plastics, demonstrating how recovered materials can return as functional infrastructure.

Even pilot components, floaters, and collected natural elements are repurposed in greenification projects, extending their lifespan and ecological value.

By designing solutions that both intercept and reuse plastic, CLEAR RIVERS ensures that prevention and circular economy principles are structurally connected.

Looking Ahead



Propeller engine pilot – Rotterdam, Netherlands

Deepen Cleaning

Plastic pollution is an urgent challenge that demands decisive action. In the coming years, CLEAR RIVERS will continue to expand its impact by mobilizing communities through clean up initiatives and scaling Litter Traps installations in waterways around the world. These efforts form the foundation of our priorities across our **cleaning** pillars:



Clean Ups

CLEAR RIVERS will continue to engage local communities and organizations in clean up initiatives that make the scale of plastic pollution visible and tangible. By strengthening existing partnerships and building new collaborations, we aim to expand these efforts and mobilize more people to take action for cleaner waterways.



Litter Traps

We aim to expand our Litter Trap network by installing additional systems in waterways both within and beyond Europe. Following the successful development and testing of our **newest modular model**, the LT1, in Dordrecht (Netherlands), we plan to deploy this scalable solution in new locations worldwide.

At the same time, we are accelerating the rollout of Litter Trap enhancements, including **our latest innovation: a solar-powered propeller engine**. This motorized system creates a controlled water flow that guides floating debris toward the Litter Trap's entrance, significantly increasing capture efficiency.



Clean up by pedal boat - Amsterdam (2025)



Our first propeller engine installation – Coolhaven, Rotterdam



Circularity workshop with 85 students from KITE educatie - Rotterdam (2025)



Recycled floating wetland - Vietnam

Boost Prevention

Prevention is essential to solving global plastic pollution in the long-term. CLEAR RIVERS is committed to expanding its prevention-focused initiatives in the coming years to drive lasting behavioral and systemic change. The following priorities guide our efforts across our prevention pillars:



Education

In 2026, one of our key priorities is to **organize local circular workshops with students from different age groups.** These sessions will encourage pupils to explore innovative ways to transform plastic waste into valuable new products, while learning about circular design and the impact of plastic pollution.



Awareness

CLEAR RIVERS aims to increase its participation in events focused on innovation, policy, research, and impact related to global plastic pollution. By presenting our work and sharing our insights, we seek to contribute to knowledge exchange and strengthen collaboration with other players working toward systemic change.



Recycling

We aim to expand our portfolio of circular products through our circular workshops and other initiatives. One of our current projects is an affordable **recycled floating wetland concept** that uses recovered plastic to greenify urban rivers while supporting biodiversity and water quality.

A Special Thank You to Our Partners

Our achievements in 2025 would not have been possible without the commitment and collaboration of our partners and supporters. From corporate sponsors and public institutions to educational organizations, research partners, and dedicated volunteers, each has played a vital role in advancing our mission.

We sincerely thank all those who contributed to making this year's impact possible.

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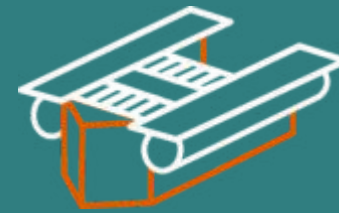
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Administrative review

2025 was all about further professionalization of CLEAR RIVERS. The foundation once again achieved a positive financial result and strengthened its equity. In addition, international activities were expanded, including in Vietnam and Romania. The board is satisfied with the social impact achieved and expresses its appreciation for the efforts of employees, volunteers, partners and subsidy providers. On 29 June 2026, the board adopted the activity report and the financial statements for 2025.

Board CLEAR Rivers

Ramon Knoester, Marjolein van Noort and Petra van Bommel

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Actief in sector (*) Natuur en milieu

Onderwijs en wetenschap

- Secundaire sector (indien van toepassing) -

In welke landen is uw instelling actief? (*) Nederland, België, Vietnam en Indonesië

Aantal medewerkers (*) 3 Betaalde personeelsleden in gemiddeld aantal fte gedurende het boekjaar.

Aantal vrijwilligers (*) 1 Vrijwilligers die zich regelmatig (meer dan 3 keer per jaar) inzetten voor uw instelling.

Statutair bestuur van de instelling

Naam bestuurslid	Functie bestuurslid
Ramon Knoester	Secretaris
Marjolein van Noort	Voorzitter
Petra van Bommel	Penningmeester

Overige informatie bestuur (*)

Doelgroepen (*) (meerdere opties mogelijk)	☒ Algemeen publiek	☒ Kinderen	☐ Slachtoffers van geweld
	☐ Alleenstaande ouders	☐ Lhbtqi+	☐ Slachtoffers van natuurrampen
	☐ Analfabeten	☐ Mensen met een beperking	☐ Slachtoffers van oorlog
	☐ Chronisch zieken	☒ Milieu	☐ Slachtoffers van seksueel misbruik
	☐ Dak- en thuislozen	☐ Minderheden	☒ Studenten
	☒ Dieren	☐ Minima	☐ Verslaafden
	☐ Gedetineerden	☒ Natuurgebieden	☐ Vluchtelingen
	☐ Gelovigen	☒ Oceanen en zeeën	☐ Vrouwen en meisjes
	☐ Gemeenschappen	☐ Ouderen	☐ Werklozen
	☒ Jongeren	☐ Patiënten	☐ Wildlife
			☐ Overig

(*) Optioneel veld, niet verplicht (**) Verplicht veld, ook voor buiten Nederland gevestigde instellingen

Doelstelling

Statutaire doelstelling van de instelling.
Wat wil de instelling bereiken?

Het maken en implementeren van voorstellen, hoe omgegaan kan worden met plastic vervuiling en klimaatverandering en al hetgeen met het voorgaande verband houdt of daartoe bevorderlijk kan zijn, alles in de ruimste zin van het woord, mits uitsluiten of nagenoeg uitsluitend in het algemeen belang.

Hoofdpijnen beleidsplan

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In dit beleidsplan moet minimaal antwoord gegeven worden op de in dit formulier gestelde vragen over het beleidsplan.

Welke werkzaamheden verricht de instelling?
Wanneer worden welke werkzaamheden uitgevoerd? En hoe dragen die bij aan het realiseren van de doelstelling?

De werkzaamheden bestaan uit:

- Het organiseren van opschoonacties.
 - Het plaatsen van Plasticvangers in rivieren en havens.
 - Het verzorgen van educatie omtrent plasticvervuiling en de mogelijke oplossingen.
 - Het vergroten van de bewustwording omtrent plasticvervuiling en de mogelijke oplossingen.
- Het circulair verwerken van (herwonnen) plastic.

Dir biedt tesamen een totaalaanpak om plastic vervuiling op de korte en lange termijn tegen te gaan.

Hoe krijgt de instelling inkomsten?

Inkomsten komen van sponsors, donaties, subsidies en uit geleverde diensten voor gemeenten en andere overheidsinstanties.

Op welke manier en aan welke doelen worden de verkregen inkomsten besteed? Als uw instelling vermogen aanhoudt, vul dan in waar en op welke manier dit vermogen wordt aangehouden (bijvoorbeeld spaarrekening, beleggingen etc).

De inkomsten worden verdeeld over de vijf hoofdwerkzaamheden:

1. Organiseren van opschoonacties.
2. Het plaatsen en ledigen van Plasticvangers.
3. Het verzorgen van educatie omtrent plasticvervuiling en de mogelijke oplossingen.
4. Het vergroten van de bewustwording omtrent plasticvervuiling en de mogelijke oplossingen.
5. Het circulair verwerken van (herwonnen) plastic.

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Beloningsbeleid

Beloningsbeleid voor het statutaire bestuur, voor de leden van het beleidsbepalend orgaan en voor het personeel (bijvoorbeeld CAO of salarisregeling).

Het bestuur krijgt geen vergoeding voor hun taken. Uitzondering geldt voor de bezoldigd bestuurder, die wel een vergoeding krijgt voor zijn taken als directie en projectmanager.
Het personeel krijgt een marktconforme vergoeding voor hun dienstverband.

Activiteitenverslag

Noem de activiteiten die zijn uitgevoerd. Of vul bij de volgende vraag de url in naar het activiteitenverslag, of de url naar de jaarrekening als daarin de activiteiten van het betreffende boekjaar duidelijk zijn beschreven.

Het organiseren van meerdere opschoonacties.

Het plaatsen van Plasticvangers.

Het verzorgen van gastlessen en studie-opdrachten.

Het creëren van bewustwording.

Het circulair (laten) verwerken van plastic drijfvuil.

Zie verder bijlage.

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2Balans

Balansdatum31-12-202531-12-2024 (*)

Vul de balansdatum in. Als u daarna verdergaat verschijnen automatisch de jaartallen boven de kolommen.

Activa	31-12-2025	31-12-2024 (*)	Passiva	31-12-2025	31-12-2024 (*)
Immateriële vaste activa	€		Continuïteitsreserve	€	
Materiële vaste activa	€29.546	€9.809	Bestemmingsreserve	€	
Financiële vaste activa	€1.490	€1.490	Herwaarderings-reserve	€	
	€31.036	€11.299	Overige reserves	€30.167	€-18.437
Vorraden	€			€30.167	€-18.437
Vorderingen & overlopende activa	€25.587	€16.027	Bestemmingsfondsen	€	€
Effecten	€	€	Voorzieningen	€	€
Liquide middelen	€40.263	€6.821	Langlopende schulden	€	€
	€65.850	€22.848	Kortlopende schulden	€66.719	€52.583
Totaal	€96.886	€34.147	Totaal	€96.886	€34.146

Toelichting
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Zie bijlage.

Baten	2025	2024 (*)
Subsidies van overheden	€ 22.199	€
Subsidies van andere instellingen zonder winststreven	€ 96.407	€ 49.150
Overige subsidies	€	€
	+	+
Baten van subsidies	€ 118.606	€ 49.150
Baten sponsorbijdragen	€	€
Giften en donaties van particulieren	€ 13.297	€
Nalatenschappen	€	€
Bijdragen van loterijinstellingen	€	€
Overige giften	€	€
	+	+
Giften	€ 13.297	€ 0
Baten als tegenprestatie voor levering van producten en/of diensten (omzet)	€ 120.789	€ 202.039
Financiële baten	€	€
Overige baten	€	€
	+	+
Som van alle baten	€ 252.692	€ 251.189
Lasten		
Inkoopwaarde van geleverde producten (kostprijs)	€ 101.413	€ 114.098
Verstrekke subsidies & giften	€	€
Aankopen en verwervingen	€ 3.169	€ 3.797
Communicatiekosten	€	€
Personeelskosten	€ 63.963	€ 62.268
Huisvestingskosten	€ 12.509	€ 13.471
Afschrijvingen	€ 3.356	€ 1.777
Financiële lasten	€ 51	€ -2.216
Overige lasten	€ 19.678	€ 13.895
	+	+
Som van de lasten	€ 204.139	€ 207.090
Saldo van baten en lasten	€ 48.553	€ 44.099

Toelichting

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Zie bijlage

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Jaarrekening 2025

Recycled Island Foundation te Rotterdam

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1 Opdracht

Aan het bestuur van
Recycled Island Foundation

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Rotterdam, 25 juni 2026

Geachte cliënt,

Hierbij brengen wij verslag uit over boekjaar 2025 met betrekking tot de stichting.

Opdracht

Ingevolge uw opdracht hebben wij de jaarrekening 2025 van de stichting samengesteld, waarin de balans met tellingen van € 96.886 en de staat van baten en lasten sluitend met een resultaat van € 48.604 zijn opgenomen.

2 Resultaatvergelijking

Alle bedragen in €

Vergelijkend overzicht

Het resultaat over 2025 bedraagt € 48.604 tegenover € 41.883 over 2024. De resultaten over beide jaren kunnen als volgt worden samengevat:

	2025	%	2024	%	Verschil
Baten					
Netto-omzet	252.692	100,00	251.189	100,00	1.503
Som van de geworven baten	252.692	100,00	251.189	100,00	1.503
Lasten					
Inkoopwaarde van de omzet	165.427	65,47	174.150	69,33	-8.723
Afschrijvingen op immateriële en materiële vaste activa	3.356	1,33	1.777	0,71	1.579
Huisvestingskosten	12.509	4,95	13.471	5,36	-962
Verkoopkosten	3.169	1,25	3.797	1,51	-628
Autokosten	5.566	2,20	907	0,36	4.659
Kantoorkosten	5.854	2,32	3.848	1,53	2.006
Algemene kosten	8.258	3,27	9.140	3,64	-882
Som der lasten	204.139	80,79	207.090	82,44	-2.951
Saldo voor financiële baten en lasten	48.553	19,21	44.099	17,56	4.454
Financiële baten en lasten	51	0,02	-2.216	-0,88	2.267
Resultaat	48.604	19,23	41.883	16,67	6.721

3 Financiële positie

Alle bedragen in €

Uit de balans is de volgende financieringsstructuur af te leiden:

	31 december 2025	31 december 2024
Beschikbaar op lange termijn:		
Eigen vermogen	30.167	-18.437
	30.167	-18.437
Waarvan vastgelegd op lange termijn:		
Materiële vaste activa	29.546	9.807
Financiële vaste activa	1.490	1.490
	31.036	11.297
Werkkapitaal	-869	-29.734
Dit tekort wordt veroorzaakt door:		
Kortlopende schulden	66.719	52.583
Af:		
Vorderingen	25.587	16.028
Liquide middelen	40.263	6.821
	65.850	22.849
Werkkapitaal	869	29.734

4 Samenstellingsverklaring

Samenstellingsverklaring

Geachte cliënt,

De jaarrekening van Recycled Island Foundation te Rotterdam is door ons samengesteld op basis van de van u gekregen informatie. De jaarrekening bestaat uit de balans per 31 december 2025 en de staat van baten en lasten over 2025 met de daarbij horende toelichting. In deze toelichting is onder andere een overzicht van de gehanteerde grondslagen voor financiële verslaggeving opgenomen.

Wij hebben deze samenstellingsopdracht uitgevoerd in overeenstemming met Nederlands recht en volgens richtlijnen en werkschema's, welke gebaseerd zijn op het NOAB kwaliteitssysteem (NKS). Dit houdt onder meer in dat wij ons gehouden hebben aan de voor ons geldende voorschriften in de verordeningen van de Nederlandse Orde van Administratie en Belastingdeskundigen (NOAB).

Daardoor mag u er van uit gaan dat wij de opdracht professioneel, vakbekwaam en zorgvuldig, integer en objectief hebben uitgevoerd en dat wij vertrouwelijk omgaan met de door u verstrekte gegevens.

Op grond van deze standaard wordt van ons verwacht dat wij u ondersteunen bij het opstellen en presenteren van de jaarrekening in overeenstemming met Titel 9 Boek 2 van het Nederlandse Burgerlijk Wetboek. Wij hebben daarbij onze deskundigheid op het gebied van administratieve verwerking en financiële verslaggeving toegepast.

Bij een samenstellingsopdracht bent u er verantwoordelijk voor dat de informatie klopt en dat u ons alle relevante informatie aanlevert. Wij hebben onze werkzaamheden, in overeenstemming met de daarvoor geldende regelgeving, dan ook uitgevoerd vanuit de veronderstelling dat u aan deze verantwoordelijkheid heeft voldaan.

Wij hebben geen controle- of beoordelingswerkzaamheden uitgevoerd die ons in staat stellen een oordeel te geven of een conclusie te trekken met betrekking tot de getrouwheid van de jaarrekening.

Bij het uitvoeren van deze opdracht hebben wij ons gehouden aan de voor ons geldende ethische voorschriften, waaronder de vereisten inzake integriteit, objectiviteit, vakbekwaamheid en zorgvuldigheid. Als slotstuk van onze werkzaamheden zijn wij door het lezen van de jaarrekening globaal nagegaan dat het beeld van de jaarrekening overeenkwam met onze kennis van Recycled Island Foundation.

Hiermede vertrouwen wij erop aan uw opdracht te hebben voldaan. Tot het verstrekken van nadere toelichtingen zijn wij steeds bereid.

Rotterdam, 30 juni 2026

Van der Voet Rotterdam B.V.



D. Janmaat

1 Balans per 31 december 2025
(Na resultaatbestemming)

Alle bedragen in €

	31 december 2025	31 december 2024
Activa		
Vaste activa		
Materiële vaste activa		
Bedrijfsgebouwen en -terreinen	18.000	-
Inventaris	7.163	4.444
Automobielen en overige transportmiddelen	4.383	5.363
	29.546	9.807
Financiële vaste activa		
Overige vorderingen	1.490	1.490
Vlottende activa		
Vorderingen		
Vorderingen op handelsdebiteuren	18.000	1.815
Overige vorderingen	1.898	1.589
Overlopende activa	5.689	12.624
	25.587	16.028
Liquide middelen		
Tegoeden op bankrekeningen	40.263	6.821
Totaal activa	96.886	34.146

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2 Staat van baten en lasten over 2025

Alle bedragen in €

	2025	2024
Baten		
Netto-omzet	252.692	251.189
Som van de geworven baten	252.692	251.189
Lasten		
Inkoopwaarde van de omzet	165.427	174.150
Afschrijvingen op immateriële en materiële vaste activa	3.356	1.777
Huisvestingskosten	12.509	13.471
Verkoopkosten	3.169	3.797
Autokosten	5.566	907
Kantoorkosten	5.854	3.848
Algemene kosten	8.258	9.140
Som der lasten	204.139	207.090
Saldo voor financiële baten en lasten	48.553	44.099
Financiële baten en lasten	51	-2.216
Resultaat	48.604	41.883
Resultaatbestemming		
Stichtingsvermogen	48.604	41.883

3 Grondslagen voor waardering en resultaatbepaling

3.1 Algemene toelichtingen

Locatie van de feitelijke activiteiten

Recycled Island Foundation is gevestigd op Persoonsdam 151 te Rotterdam en is ingeschreven bij het handelsregister onder nummer 61045225.

Belangrijkste activiteiten

De Stichting heeft ten doel: Het maken en implementeren van voorstellen, hoe omgegaan kan worden met plastic vervuiling en klimaatverandering en al hetgeen met het voorgaande verband houdt of daartoe bevorderlijk kan zijn, alles in de ruimste zin van het woord, mits uitsluitend of nagenoeg uitsluitend in het algemeen belang.

3.2 Algemene grondslagen voor verslaggeving

Beschrijving van de standaarden op basis waarvan de jaarrekening is opgesteld

De jaarrekening is opgesteld volgens de bepaling van richtlijn RJK C1 "Kleine organisaties zonder winst streven". Activa en passiva worden in het algemeen gewaardeerd tegen de verkrijgings- of vervaardigingsprijs of de actuele waarde. Indien geen specifieke waarderingsgrond is vermeld, vindt waardering plaats tegen de verkrijgingsprijs.

Baten en lasten worden toegerekend aan het jaar waarop ze betrekking hebben. Winsten worden slechts opgenomen voor zover zij op balansdatum zijn gerealiseerd. Verplichtingen en mogelijke verliezen die hun oorsprong vinden voor het einde van het verslagjaar, worden in acht genomen indien zij voor het opmaken van de jaarrekening bekend zijn geworden.

3.3 Grondslagen voor de waardering van activa en passiva

Grondslag van materiële vaste activa

De materiële vaste activa worden gewaardeerd tegen aanschaffingswaarde of vervaardigingskosten verminderd met afschrijvingen. De afschrijvingen bedragen een vast percentage van de aanschaffingswaarde of vervaardigingskosten.

Overige materiële vaste activa worden gewaardeerd tegen verkrijgings- of vervaardigingsprijs inclusief direct toerekenbare kosten, onder aftrek van lineaire afschrijvingen gedurende de verwachte toekomstige gebruiksduur en bijzondere waardeverminderingen.

Subsidies op investeringen worden in mindering gebracht op de verkrijgings- of vervaardigingsprijs van de activa waarop de subsidies betrekking hebben.

De afschrijvingen worden gebaseerd op de geschatte economische levensduur, tenzij fiscaal een wettelijk maximum afschrijvingspercentage van 20% wordt voorgeschreven, en worden berekend op basis van een vast percentage van de kostprijs, rekening houdend met een eventuele residuwaarde. Er wordt afgeschreven vanaf het moment van ingebruikneming. Op terreinen wordt niet afgeschreven. Afschrijving vindt plaats tot de bodemwaarde, voor gebouwen in eigen gebruik is dat 50% van de WOZ waarde, op andere gebouwen (zijnde gebouwen ter belegging) is dat 100% van de WOZ waarde.

Subsidies op investeringen worden in mindering gebracht op de verkrijgings- of vervaardigingsprijs van de activa waarop de subsidies betrekking hebben.

Voor verplichtingen tot herstel na afloop van het gebruik van het actief (ontmantelingskosten) wordt een voorziening getroffen voor het verwachte bedrag op het moment van activering.

Dit bedrag wordt verwerkt als onderdeel van de boekwaarde van het actief waartegenover voor het gehele bedrag een voorziening wordt gevormd.

Indien grond gekocht is met opstallen, met de intentie de opstallen te slopen of teniet te laten gaan en vervolgens op de grond nieuwbouw te realiseren, dan maken de eventuele boekwaarde van de opstallen en de gemaakte sloopkosten deel uit van de verkrijgingsprijs van de grond.

Voor de toekomstige kosten van groot onderhoud aan de bedrijfsgebouwen is een voorziening voor groot onderhoud gevormd. De toevoeging aan de voorziening wordt bepaald op basis van het geschatte bedrag van het onderhoud en de periode die telkens tussen de werkzaamheden van groot onderhoud verloopt.

Grondslag van vorderingen

Vorderingen worden bij eerste verwerking gewaardeerd tegen de reële waarde van de tegenprestatie, inclusief de transactiekosten indien materieel. Vorderingen worden na eerste verwerking gewaardeerd tegen de geamortiseerde kostprijs. Voorzieningen wegens oninbaarheid worden in mindering gebracht op de boekwaarde van de vordering.

Grondslag van liquide middelen

Liquide middelen bestaan uit kas, banktegoeden, wissels, cheques en deposito's met een looptijd korter dan twaalf maanden. Rekening-courantschulden bij banken zijn opgenomen onder schulden aan kredietinstellingen onder kortlopende schulden. Liquide middelen worden gewaardeerd tegen nominale waarde.

Grondslag van kortlopende schulden

Kortlopende schulden worden bij de eerste verwerking gewaardeerd tegen reële waarde. Kortlopende schulden worden na eerste verwerking gewaardeerd tegen de bedragen waartegen de schuld moet worden afgelost.

3.4 Grondslagen voor de bepaling van het resultaat

Grondslagen voor de bepaling van het resultaat

Het resultaat wordt bepaald als het verschil tussen de opbrengstwaarde van de geleverde prestaties en de kosten en andere lasten over het jaar. De opbrengsten op transacties worden verantwoord in het jaar waarin zij zijn gerealiseerd.

Grondslag van opbrengsten uit het verlenen van diensten

Verantwoording van opbrengsten uit de levering van diensten geschiedt naar rato van de geleverde prestaties, gebaseerd op de verrichte diensten tot aan de balansdatum in verhouding tot de in totaal te verrichten diensten.

Grondslag van afschrijvingen op immateriële en materiële vaste activa

De afschrijvingen op de materiële vaste activa zijn berekend door middel van vaste percentages van de aanschaffingswaarde. Boekwinsten en -verliezen bij verkoop van materiële vaste activa zijn begrepen onder de afschrijvingen, boekwinsten echter alleen voor zover de boekwinsten niet in mindering zijn gebracht op vervangende investeringen.

Indien een schattingswijziging plaatsvindt van de toekomstige gebruiksduur, dan worden de toekomstige afschrijvingen aangepast.

Boekwinsten en -verliezen uit de incidentele verkoop van materiële vaste activa zijn begrepen onder de afschrijvingen.

Grondslag van overige bedrijfskosten

De kosten worden bepaald op historische basis en toegerekend aan het verslagjaar waarop zij betrekking hebben.

Grondslag van financiële baten en lasten

Rentebaten en rentelasten worden tijdsevenredig verwerkt, rekening houdend met de effectieve rentevoet van de desbetreffende activa en passiva. Bij de verwerking van de rentelasten wordt rekening gehouden met de verantwoorde transactiekosten op de ontvangen leningen.

4 Toelichting op de balans per 31 december 2025

Alle bedragen in €

Activa

Vaste activa

Materiële vaste activa

	31-12-2025	31-12-2024
Bedrijfsgebouwen en -terreinen		
Gebouwen	18.000	-
Andere vaste bedrijfsmiddelen		
Bedrijfsinventaris	7.163	4.444
Transport- en vervoermiddelen	4.383	5.363
	11.546	9.807

	2025	2024
Gebouwen		
Stand per 1 januari		
Aanschaffingswaarde	-	-
Cumulatieve afschrijvingen en waardeverminderingen	-	-
Mutaties		
Investeringsen	18.000	-
Stand per 31 december		
Aanschaffingswaarde	18.000	-
Cumulatieve afschrijvingen en waardeverminderingen	-	-
Boekwaarde	18.000	-

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	2025	2024
Bedrijfsinventaris		
Stand per 1 januari		
Aanschaffingswaarde	8.033	7.272
Cumulatieve afschrijvingen en waardeverminderingen	-3.589	-1.849
Boekwaarde	4.444	5.423
Mutaties		
Investeringsen	5.095	760
Afschrijvingen	-2.376	-1.739
	2.719	-979
Stand per 31 december		
Aanschaffingswaarde	13.128	8.032
Cumulatieve afschrijvingen en waardeverminderingen	-5.965	-3.588
Boekwaarde	7.163	4.444
Transport- en vervoermiddelen		
Stand per 1 januari		
Aanschaffingswaarde	5.402	-
Cumulatieve afschrijvingen en waardeverminderingen	-39	-
Boekwaarde	5.363	-
Mutaties		
Investeringsen	-	5.402
Afschrijvingen	-980	-39
	-980	5.363
Stand per 31 december		
Aanschaffingswaarde	5.402	5.402
Cumulatieve afschrijvingen en waardeverminderingen	-1.019	-39
Boekwaarde	4.383	5.363

Financiële vaste activa**31-12-2025****31-12-2024****Overige vorderingen**

Waarborgsommen

1.490**1.490****Vlottende activa****Vorderingen**

Vorderingen op handelsdebiteuren

18.000**1.815**

Overige vorderingen

1.898**1.589**

Overlopende activa

5.689**12.624****25.587****16.028****Informatieverschaffing over vorderingen**

Alle vorderingen hebben een resterende looptijd korter dan een jaar, tenzij anders vermeld.

Vorderingen op handelsdebiteuren

Debiteuren

18.000**1.815****Overige vorderingen**

Overige vorderingen

1.898**1.589****Overlopende activa**

Vooruitbetaalde kosten

1.878**245**

Nog te ontvangen inkomsten

51**12.379**

Nog te factureren

3.760**-****5.689****12.624****Liquide middelen****Tegoeden op bankrekeningen**

Rabobank betaalrekening (005)

4.263**6.821**

Rabobank spaarrekening (098)

36.000**-****40.263****6.821**

Passiva**31-12-2025****31-12-2024****Reserves en fondsen**

Overige reserves

30.167**-18.437****Informatieverschaffing over reserves en fondsen**

Voor de samenstelling van de mutatie ten gevolge van het resultaat over het boekjaar 2025 verwijzen wij u naar staat van baten en lasten.

2025**2024****Stichtingsvermogen**

Stand per 1 januari

-18.437**-60.320**

Resultaatbestemming

48.604**41.883****Stand per 31 december****30.167****-18.437****31-12-2025****31-12-2024****Kortlopende schulden**

Schulden aan leveranciers en handelskredieten

25.360**10.150**

Belastingen en premies sociale verzekeringen

15.089**18.936**

Overige schulden

2.688**-**

Overlopende passiva

23.582**23.497****66.719****52.583****Informatieverschaffing over kortlopende schulden**

De onder dit hoofd opgenomen kortlopende schulden hebben alle een resterende looptijd korter dan één jaar.

31-12-2025

31-12-2024

Schulden aan leveranciers en handelskredieten

Crediteuren	25.360	10.150
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Informatieverschaffing over schulden aan leveranciers en handelskredieten

In het saldo van € 25.360 is een bedrag van € 21.780 begrepen dat betrekking heeft op de investering in de drijvende expositiewoning. Dit betreft een nog te betalen investeringsbedrag dat uiterlijk 31 december 2026 dient te worden voldaan.

Belastingen en premies sociale verzekeringen

Te betalen omzetbelasting	9.164	8.742
Te betalen loonheffing	5.925	10.194
	15.089	18.936

Overige schulden

Te betalen vakantiegeld	2.688	-
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Overlopende passiva

Nog te betalen kosten	13.582	1.298
Vooruitontvangen subsidie	10.000	22.199
	23.582	23.497

Informatieverschaffing over kortlopende overlopende passiva

De vooruitontvangen subsidie van € 10.000 heeft betrekking op de aanschaf van een elektrische bestelbus. De aanschaf hiervan heeft plaatsgevonden in januari 2026.

5 Toelichting op de staat van baten en lasten over 2025

Alle bedragen in €

Baten

Netto-omzet

De netto-omzet is in 2025 ten opzichte van 2024 met 0,6% gestegen.

	2025	2024
Netto-omzet		
Omzet levering producten en diensten	120.789	202.039
Baten van organisaties zonder winststreven	96.407	49.150
Omzet subsidies	22.199	-
Omzet donaties	13.297	-
	252.692	251.189

Lasten

Inkoopwaarde van de omzet

Educatie van leerlingen	8.079	11.800
Innovatie plasticrecycling oplossingen	43.013	8.773
Onderzoek naar opvanglocaties	5.874	10.700
Ontwikkelen van nieuwe vangsystemen	27.155	36.029
Organiseren van clean-ups	9.409	8.212
Plaatsen en onderhoud van vangers	67.941	96.196
Voorlichting	3.956	2.440
	165.427	174.150

Afschrijvingen op immateriële en materiële vaste activa

Afschrijvingskosten bedrijfsinventaris	2.376	1.739
Afschrijvingskosten transport- en vervoermiddelen	980	38
	3.356	1.777

Overige bedrijfskosten

	2025	2024
Huisvestingskosten		
Huur	8.250	10.010
Gas en elektra	2.169	1.550
Belastingen	1.897	1.911
Overige lasten huisvesting	193	-
	12.509	13.471
Verkoopkosten		
Website	410	419
Reis- en verblijfskosten	2.759	3.378
	3.169	3.797
Autokosten		
Brandstof	746	94
Reparatie en onderhoud	1.638	94
Assurantie	1.611	-
Belasting	644	133
* Verkeersboetes	129	-
Tol- veer- en parkeergelden	798	586
	5.566	907
Kantoorkosten		
Kantoorbenodigdheden	735	104
Mobiele telefoon	1.824	2.631
Drukwerk	266	27
Aanschaf klein materiaal	3.029	1.086
	5.854	3.848

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	2025	2024
Algemene kosten		
Bankkosten	783	773
Accountancy	3.588	3.497
Automatisering	663	48
Overige algemene kosten	28	361
* Naheffing en kosten loonheffing	944	332
* Naheffing en kosten omzetbelasting	100	2.640
Donaties en giften	646	-
Algemene verzekeringen	855	1.231
Contributies, abonnementen	418	258
Werkkleding	233	-
	8.258	9.140
 Financiële baten en lasten		
Rentebaten en soortgelijke opbrengsten	51	195
Rentelasten en soortgelijke kosten	-	-2.411
	51	-2.216
 Rentebaten en soortgelijke opbrengsten		
Rente spaarrekening	51	195
 Rentelasten en soortgelijke kosten		
Rente Rabobank	-	2.411

6 Toelichting op de jaarrekening

Ondertekening jaarrekening voor akkoord

Rotterdam, 30 juni 2026

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