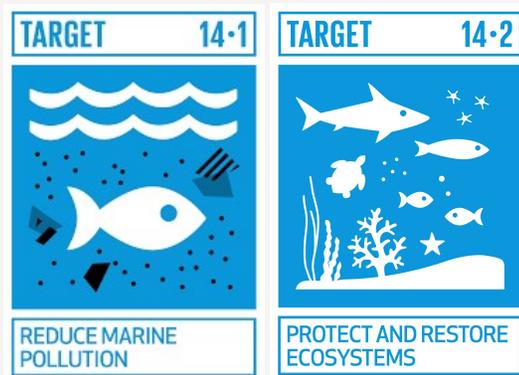


How are we stopping plastic pollution?

INTRODUCTION (goal 14)

Our goal this year was goal number 14
Life below the water section 1 and 2. We had a specific subsection of that goal, or plastic pollution.



What is the issue?

- **Impact on the sea**
- **Microplastic**
- **14 million tons per year**

Norway

- 40% of plastic waste is from fishing industry

Iceland

- Similar to Norway.
- Is also a part of the Gulf Stream

- Bad for tourism

Finland

- Only 27% of plastic is recycled.



Why is it important?

It hurts the ocean and its ecosystems. Kills the fish and animals when they eat it. Has bad health effects on humans too.

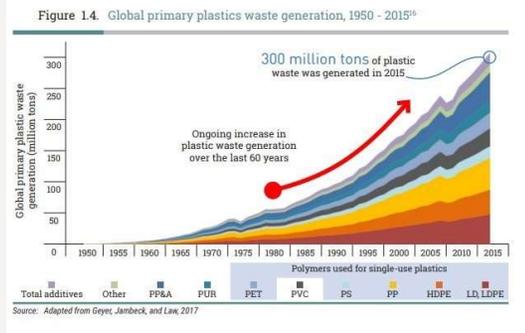
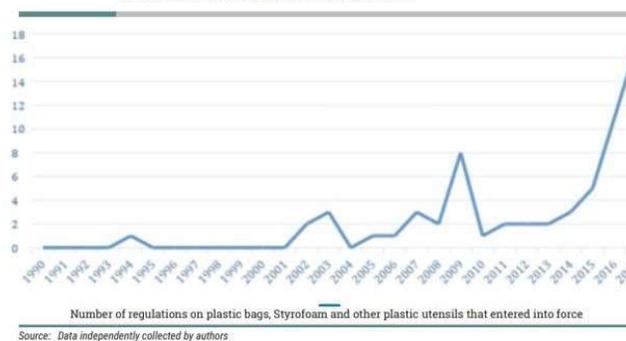


Figure 3.3. Estimated number of new regulations on single-use plastics entering into force at the national level worldwide



What can be done?

Don't throw away garbage in the sea or nature, recycle instead. Don't buy things with a lot of plastic packaging. Vote for green political parties. More funding for green technology.

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