

## **Global Waste Management Outlook 2024 – The importance of reliable waste data**

**13:15-14:45 Room C**

This side-event will build upon the findings and themes outlined in the recently launched Global Waste Management Outlook 2024, a collaborative effort between the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the International Solid Waste Association (ISWA). Key areas of focus will include the quality and availability of waste data, or the lack thereof, within the context of enhancing waste management practices and ensuring accountability in waste movement.

The session will feature presentations from speakers representing UNEP, ISWA, authors of the report, and government representatives from the Republic of Ghana and the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago. The speakers will give a short presentation before a Q&A session will open up with question from within the room as well as online participants.

<b>Introductory speech</b> - Jacqueline Alvarez, Chief - Chemicals and Health Branch UNEP (5 min)
<b>Overview of the findings and themes of the Global Waste Management Outlook 2024</b> - Zoë Lenkiewicz, lead author GWMO2024 (10 min)
<b>How does waste data lead to reduced waste and better management</b> - Carlos Silva Filho, president of ISWA (10 min)
<b>Comparative analysis of waste data sources</b> - Daniel Ternald, UNEP (10 min)
<b>Challenges and opportunities for governments in waste data collection and management</b>  Godfred Fiifi Boadi - Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources, Republic of Ghana – 10 min  Keima Gardiner - Ministry of Planning & Development, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago – 10 min
<b>Panel discussion and Q&amp;A</b> (30 min)
<b>Closing of session</b> (5 min)