

Wrote to SENATOR IAN CAMPBELL, Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Australia, in solidarity with community and international groups against the proposed export for incineration of hazardous waste, instead of safe treatment in country of origin.

Drafted a tourism questionnaire for the City of Durban's INK (Presidential lead project) in our volunteer capacity. – 9 sep 2005

Co-organised a Global Day of Action "Voices for a Zero Waste World" – 11 September - The event went very well – it would have been nice to have had a larger audience (people still have issues about coming to the inner city), but it was a success nonetheless. Pics below. Everyone enjoyed themselves and the spontaneous poetry that "erupted" was wonderful! The media work was particularly effective, given that we had a 25 minute slot on one national radio station (SAFM – 480 000 listeners) and a short 3 minute slot on another national radio station (Radio Lotus – 320 000 listeners); as well as in Kwana, a local publication – of course, the normal email and Internet sharing took place.. held at Mama Jabu's (Old Tropicale), with Earthlife Africa eThekweni and a few Pioneers of Change people.. in partnership with GAIA.



13 and 22 September – **Zero Waste workshops** with the Presidential Lead Project INK (Inanda, Ntuzuma, Kwa Mashu); Community Development Workers and eThekweni Business Support Unit

25 September – **wrote and sent a letter** to the various players in the SA dairy industry, protesting the use of hormones in cows that are banned elsewhere.

Sent a letter of support to the EU, on the NGO position on Persistent Organic Pollutants – via IPEN's Dioxin, PCBs and Waste Working Group Secretariat – 7 October 2005

Co-wrote two articles for the Climate Justice position – "**Trouble in the Air**" – published by

Met with the KZN representative of the Institute of Waste Management, and asked that they consider embracing ZW as an organisational policy, and to carry out (for example) exercises to work out what percentage of all business of IWM members is end of pipe, and what is waste avoidance / minimisation; adopt policies; arrange ZW workshops; etc. Asked to present ZW at their landfill interest group on the 21 October 2005.

Sent a letter to climate change activists in advance of the Jhb meeting in October, urging them to move to the Climate Justice position. 7 Oct 05

the Centre for Civil Society – copies from www.ukzn.ac.za/ccs/publications

Drafted Green Procurement guide to send to many in local government as eThekweni is embarking on a procurement policy re-write. Copies available by email only.

Some Good Sayings:

“We look neither East nor West. We face forward.” Kwame nKrumah

“Anyone who believed growth can go on forever in a finite world is either a madman or an economist.” Kenneth Boulding

Radio Interview – Radio Lotus on the **landfill gas issue** at Bissasar Road – 17 October 2005. Our position: while methane capture is sensible, to burn it on site is silly, so we are completely against the project in its current form.

Presentation on ZW to the Clean and Green team of eThekweni Environmental health – 21 October 2005

Presentation at the Institute of Waste Management of SA Landfill Interest Group – Hillcrest – 21 October 2005 – a good opportunity to show the sustainable possibilities instead of the usual “collect, dump and burn”.

Wrote into the Minister of DME lodging an **objection against proposed powers** to insist on technology, standards (including environmental) and other bad things, that the Minister will have if the Electricity Regulation Bill goes through in its current form...

16 November 2006 - IZWA announced to the world!

Planned and held a VERY successful workshop in partnership with DBSA – 5 city departments; 3 tertiary education institutions, and at least 8 or 10 community organisations...co-funded by Development Bank of SA (DBSA) for a **projects based workshop** held on 21st November 2005, and the very **successful booklet “Local Economic Development – Projects”** based on Zero Waste principles was the main outcome. Available electronically, and a few hard copies left. The media response was great – **we reached about a MILLION people** – SAFM, Radio Lotus, and various newspapers....Some pics from the workshop follow

Circulated our NSSD submission to civil society as a preparatory document for the next National Strategy for Sustainable Development meeting end November.

24 Oct – **met with people from Durban Institute of Technology** about developing a Zero Waste hub at the campus, as well as offered help with a project in Mthusi down the South coast, where the lessons learnt can be applied...

25 Oct – **met with Head of research and solar thermal persons** from Mangosotho Technikon – Dr. A. van der Mescht and M. Brooks – discussed their attendance at the IZWA workshop on the 21st, as well as building relationships for the future.



Asha Mistri from DEAT and Muna Lakhani



Some of the group

The launch of the Local Economic Development Booklet was a great event, as it represented the end of IZWA's first formal project. We convened for breakfast at Manna Restaurant in Marriot Road in Durban in the morning of the 26th January, and were blessed with the presence of the majority of our board members, as well as representatives from the workshop referred to above. The media turnout was great too, as was evidenced by the response since! Simphiwe welcomed everyone, followed by an introduction to IZWA by Vanessa. Muna then explained to people the process that led to the booklet, which included the research phase, the workshopping, reporting and drafting of 'mini-proposals' that is intended to guide future users of the document. This indicates (for example) the timelines within which could be done, estimated budgets, etc. The whole idea is that people have a good idea of what can be done, and a guide as to how to do it. IZWA intends leading with some projects, once funding becomes available.

Great Media Launch of the Local Economic Development Booklet! 26 January 2006
Simphiwe Nojiyeza (Director of IZWA) Vanessa Black (Director of IZWA)



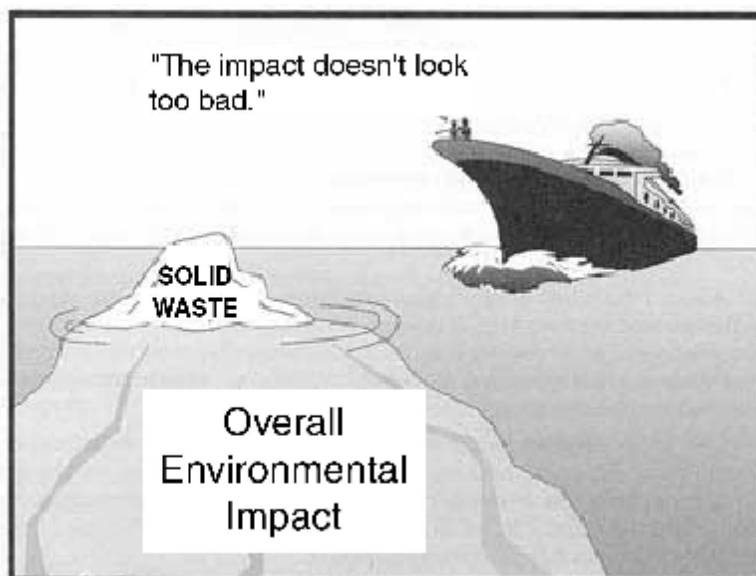


Saphira Surina Patel from DBSA being thanked for her support of the workshop and booklet by Muna

IZWA documents Available FREE Electronically:

1. Avoiding waste – 1st prize!
2. Basic Purchasing Guidelines for Zero Waste
3. Cleaning Chemicals and Alternatives
4. Introduction to Zero Waste
5. Paper Saving for Offices
6. The Problem with Plastics
7. Waste Reduction and Recycling
8. Water and Energy Saving
9. Zero Waste for Restaurants.
10. Better Local Government Buying for Sustainable Development
11. Local Economic Development – Zero Waste Projects

(in progress: “The Idiot’s Guide to a Zero Waste Workshop”.)



**“Live the
change you
wish to see.”**

**Mahatma
Gandhi**

NEWSFLASH ! NEWSFLASH ! NEWSFLASH ! NEWSFLASH ! NEWSFLASH !

Our Green Procurement Guidelines are beginning to be used by the **Development Bank of Southern Africa** for contracts, and the upcoming international local government environmental conference, **ICLEI** (International Council for Local Environmental Initiative, now known as Local Governments for Sustainability), will also be using some of our information towards the Greening of the conference, as well as a DVD with all our publications on it to every delegate. Our documents are also being used as resource material for student teachers, in-service teachers, tertiary student resources, and the like.

Our membership, which grows organically, has taken off very well. Please note that members or supporters do not pay for membership, nor do they contribute financially to IZWA. Here is the list as at January 2006.

IZWA Membership List

Formal Members, with voting powers, NGO's and CBO's only:

1. The Third World Investment Gateway Trust – TWIG - Mark Wells
2. Simonskloof Mountain Retreat – Jurgen Wohlfarter
3. Environmental Justice Networking Forum - Ace Khabane
4. Overstrand Conservation Foundation – Rob Fryer
5. Women's Leadership and Training Programme - Sibongile Mtungwa
6. The Grail International Earth Network - Marilyn Aitken
7. Group for Environmental Monitoring (GEM) – Tebogo Mahapa
8. Centre for Alternative Technology – SA – David Christer
9. Earthlife Africa Cape Town – Maya Aberman
10. Wildlife and Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Northern Region – Carla Hudson

Formal Supporters, with no voting powers:

1. Envirosense CC – Susanne Dittke
2. Marilyn Aitken
3. Sibongile Mtungwa
4. Thabo Madihlaba
5. Radio Khwezi – Beni Husslig
6. Wildlife and Environment Society of SA - KZN
7. Jilomyl Projects – Australia – Sarah Guy
8. Peter Lucas – Western Cape
9. Rory Short

Pending supporter status: Lonmin Platinum – Natalie Wilson

Our Wellwishers, Colleagues and Partners

THANK YOU – MUCH APPRECIATED!

Local (alphabetically):

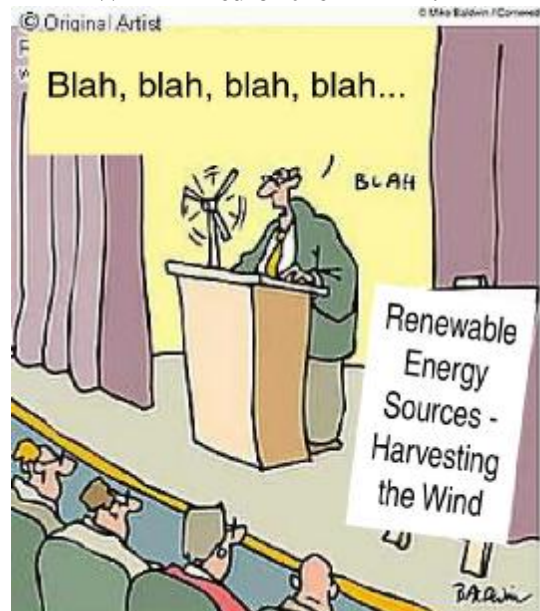
- § Anthea Torr - ENCHANTRIX Organic products / BIOPHILE Magazine
- § Carol Brown - Director Durban Art Gallery
- § Christine & Rob Garbutt
- § Dieter Holm – Darling Wind Farm
- § Environmental Justice Networking Forum – W. Cape - Thabang Ngcozela - Provincial Co-ordinator
- § Glenn Ashton – Ekogaia
- § Grace Stead – Cape Town Local agenda 21 Coordinator
- § Hermann Oelsner - Oelsner Group – DARLING wind farm
- § Jacklyn Cock – U. Wits
- § Jason Tonkin – Umbambano
- § Jessica Wigley
- § Marba Visagie – (personal)
- § Mpumi Mhlalisi
- § Rob Hounsome – CSIR
- § Sean Hettema
- § Sue Bellinger
- § Sue Eber
- § Susan Dittke – ZW and CP implementer, Western Cape
- § Thabo Madihlaba – EJNF
- § Victor Munnik
- § Vishwas Satgar - COPAC and SACP Gauteng Province
- § Wayne Visser - International Centre for Corporate Social Responsibility
- § Zero Emissions Research Initiative – SA

International (alphabetically):

- § California Resource Recovery Association - Judi Gregory - President.
- § Communities Against Toxics UK - Ralph Ryder – Co-ordinator
- § Eco-Cycle - Eric Lombardi - Executive Director
- § Environmental Research Foundation - New Jersey - USA --Peter Montague, Ph.D., director
- § Global Recycling Council of the California Resource Recovery Association – Tedd Ward
- § Lisa Marshall – New Zealand
- § Mother Earth Foundation – Philippines - Sonia S. Mendoza - President
- § Zero Waste Academy - New Zealand
- § Zero Waste Alliance - Larry Chalfan - Executive Director
- § Zero Waste Alliance UK – Ralph Ryder – Chairman
- § Zero Waste Associates - United Kingdom - Matt Pumfrey - Director
- § Zero Waste Australia Inc – Gerry Gillespie – President
- § Zero Waste International Alliance based in Wales, U.K.

IZWA is a proud member of the Zero Waste International Alliance and GAIA

IZWA – Tired of the TALK !



Let's Walk the Talk!



Membership to IZWA is FREE !

Mission Statement

Working towards a world without waste through public education and practical application of Zero Waste principles.

Charter Principles

1. Redesign products and methods of production to eliminate waste by mimicking natural processes and developing closed-loops
2. Convert waste to resources for the benefits of local production and the creation of a healthy and sustainable society.
3. Resist incineration and land filling in order to promote innovation in resource conservation and methods of production
- 4 . Collaborate with others with common interests worldwide

Objectives

1. To advance the education of the public by all appropriate communication means and through supporting the elimination of waste and the associated health impacts.
2. To promote and fund appropriate research for the public benefit, including education
3. To promote the effectiveness of other Zero Waste initiatives
4. To promote the principles of waste avoidance and minimisation, re-use, repair, recycling and composting, through sustainable resource management in accordance with best environmental options.



Our board members

1. **Vanessa Black**
2. **Simphiwe Nojiyeza**
3. **Satish Dhupelia**
4. **Patrick Bond**
5. **Thuli Thabethe**
6. **Jeremy Burnham**
7. **Jonathon Wigley**
8. **Sibusiso Mimi**

Please note: all board members are volunteers, and are not remunerated in any way for their position on the board – however, we hope that Simphiwe will be our Admin / Project Manager, and Jeremy will assist us in Johannesburg.

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