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*Briefing on the Expression of Interest for hosting the Global
Observance of the World Cleanup Day
2025 and 2026*

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UNGA resolution 78/122 - World Cleanup Day

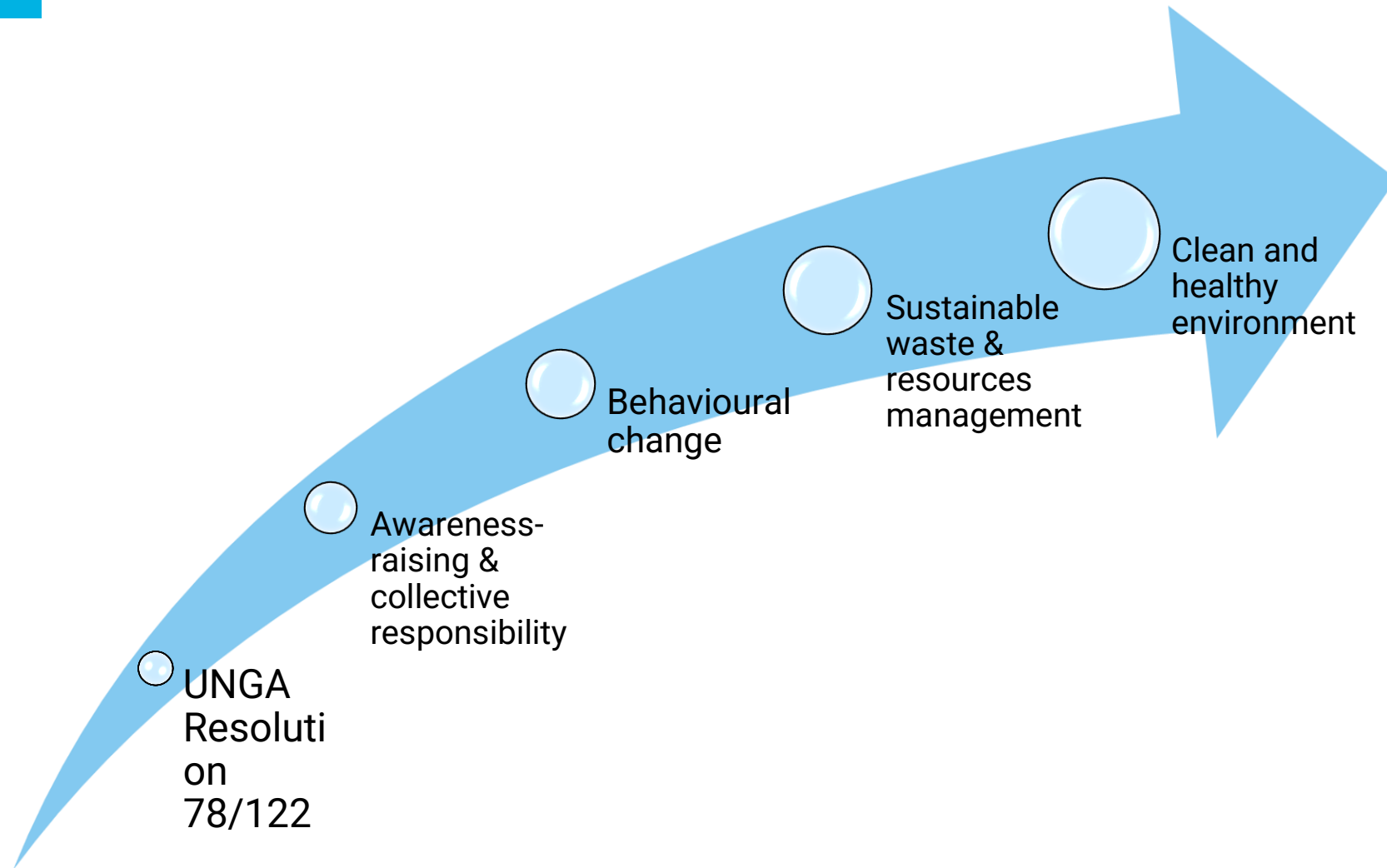


On 8 December 2023, the UNGA, in its seventy-eighth session, unanimously adopted resolution 78/122 “World Cleanup Day”, which proclaims **20 September** as World Cleanup Day.

The resolution invites all Member States, organizations of the United Nations system, other international and regional organizations, and other relevant stakeholders – including civil society, the private sector and academia – to observe **World Cleanup Day** through activities aimed at **raising awareness of the role clean-up efforts play in sustainable development.**

The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) facilitates the observance of the Day.

World Cleanup Day for behavioural change, sparking collective responsibility & policy change



2024 Observance – Arctic Cities



- Hosted in Tromsø, Norway, supported by UN-Habitat, GRID-Arendal, the Norwegian Retailers Environmental Fund (NREF) organized with Norway's Ministry of Local Government, Municipality of Tromsø & Let's Do It World.
- Cleanups & sustainable solid waste management in remote areas and fragile ecosystems
- High-level segment, two roundtable discussions and outdoor cleanup experience.
- Featured cleanup activities from 164 countries.



“We are proud to showcase a Norwegian model of financing that ensures that environmental goals are reached.”

- Sigrun Wiggen Prestbakmo, State Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development in Norway.

Hosting 2025 & 2026 Global Observances

- Topics: 2025 (Fashion & Textile Waste) and 2026 (Food Waste)
- Deadlines for [Expression of Interest](#): 31 March 2025 and 31 July 2025 respectively.
- Required resources from the host: USD 300,000 to UN-Habitat, plus necessary in-kind contribution (venue, facilities, etc.)
- Why Host?
 - 🌐 Global Leadership – showcase innovation in waste management sparking collective action and influencing policy change
 - 📄 Global Frameworks and Collaboration – align with SDGs & New Urban Agenda
 - 🔍 High Visibility – engagement with civil society, governments & international organizations, strengthening partnerships and having a social and educational impact
 - 🏠 Urban Impact – address waste, pollution & resource recovery

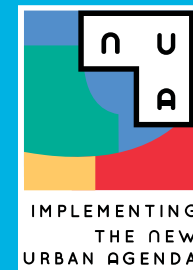
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