

# Plastics & Environment

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition

Exploring Environmental, Sustainability and Planetary Health dimensions

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<https://eventi.unibo.it/workshop-plastiche-ambiente>

### First announcement

The 3rd edition of the interdisciplinary conference “Plastics & Environment”, organized by University of Milano Bicocca, Research Centre POLARIS (Environmental Health and Sustainability), builds on the previous workshops held in Ravenna by University of Bologna. It, brings together experts to address key challenges related to environmental and socio-economic sustainability as well as the health implications of the “plastic world”. By involving scientists from several disciplines, covering chemical, biological, physical, social and economic sciences, the conference will explore the fields of monitoring and characterization of micro- and nanoplastics, their effects on ecosystems and human health, socio-cultural and educational strategies toward zero waste, the development of safe and sustainable materials, as well as degradation and mitigation approaches within the circular economy and bioeconomy frameworks. The final goal is to update on the frontiers in the different research areas, but at the same time to promote the cross-fertilization of the scientific disciplines to better manage innovation and sustainability dimensions.

### Sessions

1. Innovative monitoring methods and intra- and inter-environmental compartment fate of micro and nanoplastics
2. Ecotoxicological and environmental impacts of plastics: emerging evidences and future challenge
3. Human exposure and adverse health effects of micro and nano plastics: unravelling the mysteries behind these ubiquitous threat
4. Promoting Safe and Sustainable by Design, circularity and bioeconomy in polymers innovation
5. Climate-neutral cities and plastic. Rethinking practices, governance and politics for urban and environmental health

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### Important Dates

Abstract Submission  
Deadline

**April 20, 2026**

Registration Deadline

**May 11, 2026**

Abstract template will be found at the conference website. Prizes will be awarded for the best oral and poster presentations. More information will be shared soon.

Stay tuned for  
updates !!



### Registration Fee

Full participant  
(researchers, professors, technicians, company employees) **100 €**

Junior participant  
(master and PhD students, post-doc research fellows) **40 €**

Conference fees include conference kit, attendance to all oral and poster sessions, coffee breaks and lunch breaks.

### Sponsors

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For **Silver Sponsors** (1 desk during the days of the conference) the participation fee is **1000 €**

For **Gold Sponsors** (1 desk + 1 presentation in a thematic session) the participation fee is **2000 €**

Additional benefits: logo published on conference materials and website; lunch and coffee breaks for 2 persons

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