

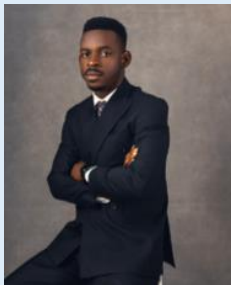
ISWA YPG Mentorship Program 2026 - Mentors List



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Adam Read		SUEZ Recycling and Recovery UK	United Kingdom	LinkedIn	• Climate Change and Waste Management • Collection and Transportation Technology • Communication Issues • Entrepreneurship • Governance & Legal Issues • Recycling and Waste Minimisation • Social Issues / Informal Sector	Adam Read, past president of CIWM, started his career in 1995, as Recycling Officer, taking on several positions within the waste sector ever since. Starting from 2017, Adam has been the Director of External Affairs in SUEZ Recycling and Recovery UK.	NA	CV	NA
Mpendulo Ginindza		Mintek	South Africa	LinkedIn	• Climate Change and Waste Management • Governance and Legal Issues • Hazardous Waste • Recycling and Waste Minimisation	Mpendulo is a distinguished industry leader in the fields of Sustainability, Environmental Stewardship and Risk Management. She is the Head of SHEQ and Enterprise Risk Management at Mintek and serves as Chair of the ISWA Africa Regional Chapter Advisory Board.	About	NA	NA

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Gijs Langeveld		Project Gijs BV	Netherlands	LinkedIn	- Recycling and Waste Minimisation - Entrepreneurship	Gijs Langeveld is an executive Leader, senior consultant, entrepreneur, driving large-scale innovation in circular economy and sustainable materials.	About	NA	NA
Zoë Lenkiewicz		Global Waste Lab	United Kingdom	LinkedIn	- Resilient waste systems in under-resourced contexts - Governance and institutional capacity - Inclusive engagement and workers in an informal economy - Climate change and open burning - Communication, entrepreneurship and career development	Zoë Lenkiewicz is a waste management specialist with more than 20 years' experience turning global evidence into practical action in places with limited infrastructure, finance and institutional capacity. Founder of Global Waste Lab and Lead Author of UNEP's Global Waste Management Outlook 2024, she focuses on inclusive, resilient waste systems that work in the real world.	About	CV	NA
Gabriel Chifflier		Veolia	France	LinkedIn	- Complex types of hazardous waste management - Advance Geophysics and Soil Remediation projects - Export of Hazardous waste - Acquisitions of Haz Waste companies - Basel Convention and International transport of Hazardous wastes - Reglimentary Affairs	During the first 15 years of his career, Gabriel worked for ATM, Dutch company operating the biggest hazardous waste treatment centre in the world, and in 2013 he joined the Veolia Group as International Sales & Marketing Manager for 2 business units. During his 20 year career, he has had the opportunity to carry out projects in South-East Asia / Australia, Middle-East/GCC, Africa, Europe and Latin America. In 2019 he was appointed Hazardous and Hospital Waste Director for VEOLIA Iberia & Latam Zone.	About	NA	NA

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Agharese Lucia Onaghise		Food & Beverage Recycling Alliance (FBRA)	Nigeria	LinkedIn	- Climate Change and Waste Management - Hazardous Waste - Recycling and Waste Minimisation - Social Issues / Informal Sector	With over 20 years of experience as an Occupational Health, Safety and Environmental Sustainability Expert across sectors, Agharese is currently the Executive Director of the Food & Beverage Recycling Alliance (FBRA).	About	CV	NA
Temitope Okunnu		FABE International Foundation	Nigeria	LinkedIn	- Climate Change and Waste Management - Entrepreneurship - Social Issues / Informal Sector	Temitope is the founder of the FABE International Foundation. A trailblazer in climate/environmental education, health and sustainability advocacy, is also passionate about developing programs that support women and young people to live and adopt a sustainable lifestyle using circular economy principles.	About	NA	NA
Rebecca Kitien Yandam		Solid Waste Association of Ghana - SWAGH	Ghana	LinkedIn	- Circular Economy & Recycling Systems - Sustainable Waste - Governance - Climate Change & Waste Management - Business Development & Entrepreneurship in Waste Sector - Waste Infrastructure Feasibility & Community Engagement - Women in Waste Leadership & Green Job Creation	Dr. Rebecca Yandam is a visionary environmental professional with over 15 years of progressive leadership in solid waste management, research innovation, and sustainability-driven business development in Africa. She is currently the Lead for Research, Innovation, and Development at Zoomlion Ghana Limited. She is the Executive Secretary of the SOLid Waste Association of Ghana (SWAGH), the Ghana National Member of ISWA where she is driving sustainable waste management in Ghana.	About	NA	NA

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Peter Simoës		InVesta	The Netherlands	LinkedIn	• Climate Change & Waste Management • Waste-to-Energy and Energy Recovery • Methane mitigation and landfill diversion • Carbon Capture, Utilisation & Storage (CCUS)\ Circular Economy • Waste policy and international climate policy • Sustainable waste management in developing countries • Business development and international project development • Leadership, mentoring and career development within the waste sector	Peter Simões is Chair of the ISWA Working Group on Climate Change & Waste Management and a member of the ISWA Scientific and Technical Committee. Peter is CEO of InVesta, the Dutch innovation centre for sustainable molecules and energy, where he works on hydrogen, carbon capture and utilisation (CCUS), energy storage, Power-to-X and industrial decarbonisation. In addition, he is actively involved in the international development of Waste-to-Energy and circular economy projects through Harvest Waste and advises the Dutch Waste Management Association on climate policy, carbon management and CCUS.	About	NA	NA
Obaloluwa Dairo		Circular Business Platform	Nigeria	LinkedIn	• Ecosystem building • Innovation • Venture support • Climate and circular economy	Circular economy venture builder and sustainability professional with a record of leading successful circular economy initiatives across Nigeria. Skilled in circular business model development, ecosystem building, and innovation program design. Passionate about empowering youth to drive sustainable development through regenerative practices.	About	NA	NA

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Jane Gilbert		Carbon Clarity	UK	LinkedIn	• Circular Economy • Organics Recycling • Composting & AD	Jane is the Vice Chair of the ISWA Scientific and Technical Committee. She is the founder of Carbon Clarity, a consultancy committed to helping organisations develop effective, sustainable solutions grounded in the principles of the circular economy. With over 30 years' experience in waste management and sustainable systems, she provides strategic, science-informed support to clients across the UK, Europe, and internationally.	About	NA	NA
Anne Scheinberg		Springloop Cooperatie U.A.	The Netherlands	LinkedIn	• Recycling • Composting • Micro-privatisation; • Contracting and franchising; • Environmental service models; • Community partnerships; • Environmental management systems; • Gender analysis; • Civil society/MSE strengthening.	Anne Scheinberg is the Chair of the OSWA Working Group on Recycling and Waste Minimisation. She is a socio-economist and micro-enterprise specialist with 30 years of professional activity in waste management and recycling in North America, Europe, including Western Europe and the Balkans, Africa, Latin America, and Asia.	About	NA	NA

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Edmund Fleck		Freelance	Germany	LinkedIn	• Energy Recovery; • Waste-to-Energy; for various waste streams (this is clear my top priority/expertise) • Governance & Legal Issues • Recycling and Waste Minimisation • Climate Change and Waste Management	With a diploma in Physics and a Ph.D. in mechanical engineering, Edmund went into research on electrostatic precipitators to clean flue gases from thermal processes. Switching to waste management in 1990, especially thermal treatment of waste, hazardous, non-recyclable household and industrial, sewage sludge, this became the focus of my professional career all along. Earlier focus was on technology, moving to sales support, business development, and project execution. Living and working in Switzerland, Germany, France and back to Germany again, in the Munich area for many years.	About	CV	Blogpost
Joachim Quoden		EXPRA	Germany	LinkedIn	• Producer responsibility, especially packaging, • Applying and registering of the trade mark / service mark "The Green Dot", • International law, • Dealing with all stakeholders from industry, government, consumer associations, retail etc	Joaquim is the Chair of the European Group at ISWA. He is a qualified lawyer with more than 30 years of professional experience in the field of extended producer responsibility (EPR), waste management, and circular economy policy. He began his career in the early 1990s with the German Dual System (DSD) and later played an active role in shaping European cooperation through PRO EUROPE. Since 2013, he has been the Managing Director of EXPRA, representing non-profit, industry-owned PROs and advocating for effective, transparent, and producer-governed EPR systems worldwide.	Website	CV	Blogpost

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João Dias		MUSAMI - Operações Municipais do Ambiente SA	Portugal	LinkedIn	• Sustainable finance, • ESG, circular economy, • energy recovery and biogas, • carbon markets, • strategic and financial management of waste management organisations.	Senior executive operating at the intersection of finance, sustainability, risk, and operations, specialized in embedding ESG principles into corporate strategy, investment decisions, and real assets. Experienced in highly regulated and politically exposed environments, with a strong focus on delivering sustainable transition projects, responsible financing, and long-term value creation. Oriented towards real-world impact, informed decision-making, and pragmatic solutions under financial, technical, and human constraints.	About	NA	NA
Aleksandra Anić Vučinić		Geotechnical Faculty University of Zagreb	Croatia	LinkedIn	• waste management systems, • circular economy, • extended producer responsibility (EPR), • recycling and recovery technologies, • environmental impact assessment and waste-related environmental policy	Aleksandra Anić Vučinić is a Full Professor and Head of the Department of Environmental Engineering at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Geotechnical Engineering. She has more than 20 years of experience in waste management and environmental engineering, combining academic research, teaching, policy development and practical implementation.	About	NA	NA
Andrea Winterstetter		KRAIBURG TPE	Germany	LinkedIn	• Resource and waste management strategies to manage the transition to a circular economy at the interface between science and policy. • Corporate Sustainability.	Andrea is a sustainability professional with a main focus on waste and materials and 15 years' work experience. Currently she holds a position as corporate sustainability manager and circular economy manager with Kraiburg TPE in Germany.	About	NA	NA

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Deji Fawole		SCS Engineers	USA	LinkedIn	Solid waste management practices (waste collection and disposal; technical assessments of waste disposal sites, feasibility of a landfill gas project; and evaluation of new landfill site)	Mr. Fawole is a Senior Project Manager with SCS Engineers (USA) with over 30 years of experience in solid waste engineering projects covering site and geotechnical investigations, design, management, constructability reviews, and construction. Mr. Fawole serves as the Vice-Chair of the ISWA Working Group on Landfill. He is also a member of the ISWA African Regional Chapter, the Institute of Waste Management of Southern Africa (IWMSA), and the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA).	About	NA	NA
James Law		SCS Engineers	USA	LinkedIn	- Geotechnical engineering, - solid waste management, - landfill engineering, - construction quality assurance services, - subsurface soil investigation/exploration programs (more details in the About document)	James Law is a Vice President of SCS Engineers and our National Geotechnical Expert. He currently serves as the President of the International Solid Waste Association (ISWA). He has over three decades of engineering and management experience in geotechnical engineering, solid waste management, landfill engineering, construction quality assurance (CQA) services, and subsurface soil investigation/exploration programs (including embankment and MSE Wall evaluation).	About	NA	NA

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Vivek Agrawal		Greentech Infra	India	LinkedIn	• Solid waste management, communication and urban health.	Vivek is the National Members representative for ISWA. He is an entrepreneur, social worker, and philanthropist - committed to driving grassroots level interventions for sustainable, clean and green communities. For over 20 Years he has been the Head of Waste Management organisation - Centre for Development Communication,.	About	NA	NA
Rafael Sanjurjo Lopez		Bee'ah	UAE	LinkedIn	• Climate Change and Waste Management • Collection and Transportation Technology • Recycling and Waste Minimisation • Sustainability • Environmental Services, including hazardous waste, non-hazardous waste, recycling streams and landfill diversion • International Business Relations and Development	A vastly experienced industry professional with 25 years experience in the Waste and Recycling Industry both in Europe and Middle East. Internationally Experienced Management Executive with emphasis in the Environmental Fields, Waste Management, Construction, and Project Management. Have developed good team building skills and motivational talent. Proven track record in financial management and planning for expansion and success. Excellent organizational interpersonal and communication skills. Have developed a strong instinct for success and relish fresh challenges in competitive environment.	NA	CV	NA