

# Improving Solid Waste Management in Hotel Industry at Aqaba

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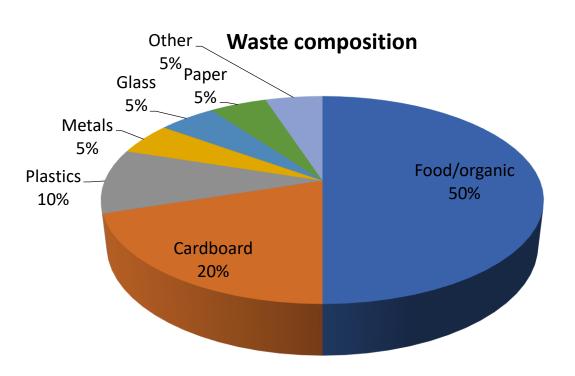




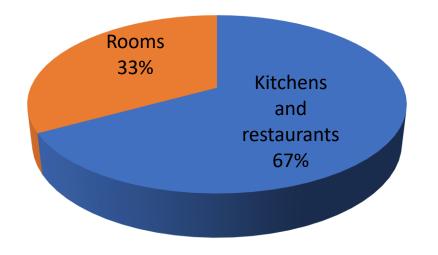




# **Estimated Waste Composition - Aqaba**



#### Source of generated solid waste in hotels















### **Food Waste Assessment**

F.W(D.P)	F.W(Used)	Untouched	Total F.W
879.29 Kg	1172.11 Kg	464.58 Kg	2515.76 Kg

**Quantities per day** 











### **Problem Identification**

### Hotel Management

No separation mechanism/recycling plan

Lack of orientation for employees on resources conservation

#### **ASEZA**

Hotels pay a fixed tax, in return of waste collection services, that is based solely on their built area

no well-established governmental infrastructure for solid waste recycling in Aqaba

# Landfill Situation

Almost 100% of solid waste that gets collected (by a private company) is sent to the Aqaba landfill (even if it's separated at source)

#### Customers

Bad cultural behavior (returned food in plates percentage is very high)

lack of responsibility of the local customers towards a sustainable society and environment

### Private Sector

Lack of involvement of the private sector in the waste sector















# **Proposed Solutions (Action Plan & Policy** Paper)



Improve ingredient inventory

Hotels management Attain accurate numbers of customers food consumption

Abandon the buffet and lean towards ordering from menus

**ASEZA** 

Provide a recycling plan / tools

Cooperate with collection company to regularly collect recyclables to their final destination

Assign a central area to store and separate dry waste items



**Customers behavior** 

Initiate an extra charge policy on leftovers from plates.



Composting facility Centralized Composting

**Anaerobic Digestion** 

Landfilling (Current)



Consider changing the current waste collection scheme

Regulations and







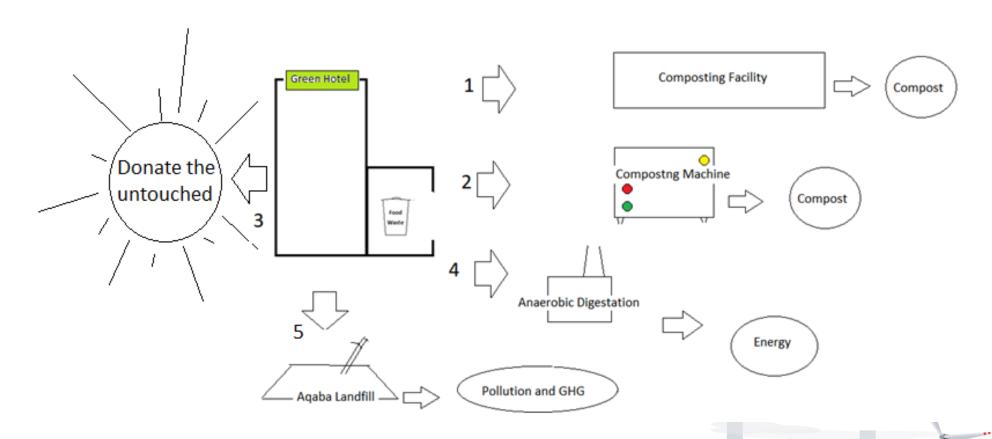








# **Organic/food Waste Management options**













## Small to medium composting facility

- process will require a vast stretch of land to accommodate the storing and curing of the compost
- A proposed location for this station would be near the Aqaba landfill to avoid any nuisance to the public community.
- This plant can serve all of the city's organic waste stream
- obvious issue regarding this option will be that of the capital and running cost



windrow composting facility

composting facilities in Jordan that are functioning properly at the moment; one in Mafraq and another in Al-Ghabawi Landfill.













# **Composting Machine**

- able to produce compost at its primary stage in only 24 hours using up a space of a parked automobile
- Continuous monitoring of moisture content, pH, temperature
- does not require any control of leachate or preadjustment of the underlying ground
- issues are related to the C:N balance which can be achieved by mixing paper waste with food waste



A composting machine being fed kitchen waste

In Jordan there is only one machine that is working at the moment in the Queen Alia airport. The cost for 1ton/day machine will be approximately 100,000 JDs.















# **Donating the surplus food (untouched)**

- Packaging and storing systems and quality assurance control are needed to insure the health risks of consuming expired food are kept to a minimum
- Some hotels are already recycling the untouched food to their employees and staff



A previous initiative in Aqaba took place during the holy month of Ramadan, and it was a successful one that occurred without any incident and with lots of donated packaged food.













### **Short Term Impact**

- ASEZA's willingness to consider changing the current waste collection scheme.
- Setting pilot plans for hotels to reduce 30% of their generated waste.
- Empowering CBOs and contributing to their financial sustainability by giving them the tools for utilizing waste as an opportunity.
- Building the capacities of professionals and individuals from the private sector on new technologies for generating Energy from Waste.

### **Long Term Impact**

- Waste generated from hotels reduced.
- Composting organic waste through a composting machine owned by ASEZA/private sector in collaboration with ASEZA.
- Waste collection contracts includes recycling components.
- Pilot plans for hotels replicated and used by other hotels.
- Reports to be used in future projects as references.

















