### PENANG

Circular Cities: International Urban Cooperation – Sustainable and Innovative Cities and Regions

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#### challenges

Addressing the diverse challenges Penang state is facing right now



#### **Single-Use Plastics**

- Illegal imported plastic waste issue
- High demand for plastic in PPE (personal protective equipment) after post pandemic



#### **Food Waste and Food Security**

An estimated 44.5% of waste is made up of food waste

#### Water Security

- Heavily dependent on cross-border water supply
- The highest water consumption in Malaysia



#### **Construction and Demolition Wastes**

- Landfill reaching full capacity.
- Construction sector to grow by 3.7% year-on-year



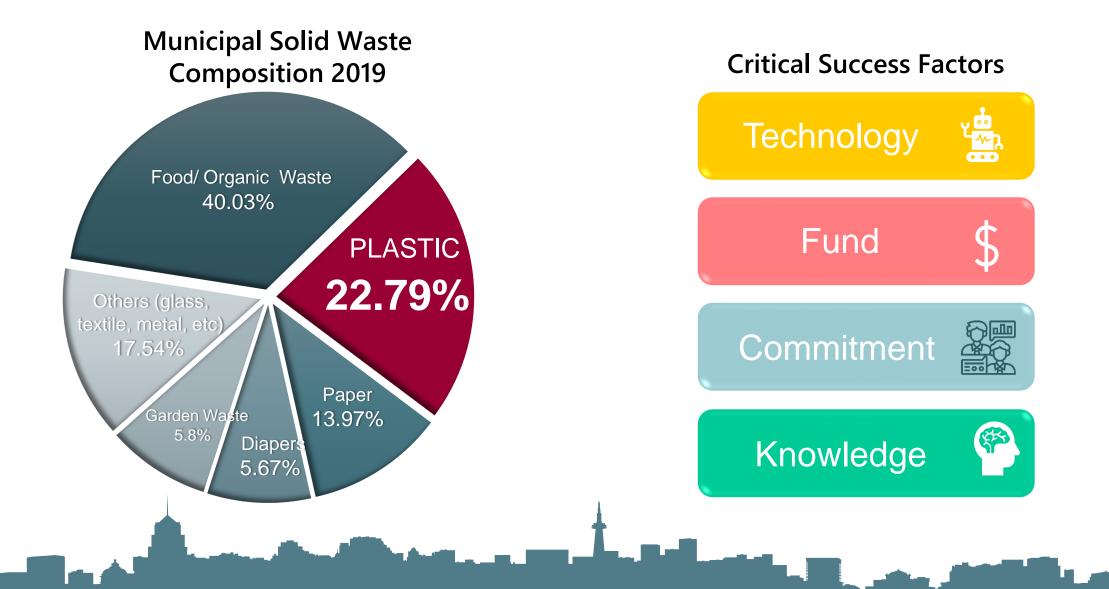
#### **E-Wastes & Hazardous Wastes**

- No law for household e-waste/ hazardous waste
- No proper data collection



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## Penang Island City Council (MBPP)







a spring cleaning in 2019
revealed that more than
70% of the waste
collected were comprised of
single-use plastics

the local council has developed a **roadmap to reduce the singleuse plastics.** 

Seberang Perai City Council (MBSP)



## New Norms x Sustainability & Technologies













# Our Needs

One of the poll questions was asked in the 1<sup>st</sup> stakeholder consultation to the participants: "Which of the following does Penang need the most from EU city collaboration to ensure that the pilot projects will be successful?" The invention of PLASTIC is good but how we can live sustainably with it need WISE

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