

## SEPARATE WASTE COLLECTION AND CIRCULAR ECONOMY

AMSA AND THE INTEGRATED WASTE CYCLE IN MILAN

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# A2A GROUP – THE LARGEST ITALIAN MULTIUTILITY A2A today



We are top ranking in **energy, environment, heat** and **network** sectors Leader in the **environmental services** and **district heating**.

Innovation, quality and efficiency in services, sustainability, transparency, respect and listening to people, are our values.

We are engaged on a path of **ongoing integration of territories**, research and investments in new technologies for creating values, grabbing opportunities that will open up in green economy and the smart city

4921

1048

215

0.041

Million €
Turnover

Million € EBITDA Million € EBITA

€ per share Dividend

**«ENVIRONMENT» BUSINESS UNIT - A2A GROUP (2015)** 

2.6 million inhabitants

**1.27** million t of collected waste

**2.7** million t of treated waste

## AMSA AND A2A GROUP

### **Evolution**





## Municipality of Milan

**AMSA** is 100% owned by the Municipality of Milan



A2A Group

**AMSA** Joins A2A Group



## A2A Environment

in the "Environmnent"
Business Unit



## **EXPO 2015**

**AMSA** designs services tailored to the needs of the Exhibition site

## SERVED AREA AND CRITICAL ISSUES

## Amsa key numbers





#### The City of Milan

- √ 1.3 milion inhabitants
- √ 2,200 t/day MSW
- ✓ 182 Km² area
- ✓ 2,000 Km of streets
- √ 12 sourrounding municipalities served (260,000 residents)
- √ 3,200 employees
- √ 1,400 vehicles
- √ 55,000 collection points
- √ 5 civic amenity sites and 2 mobile Eco centers
- √ 170 bring banks for paper and glass



#### Critical issues

- ✓ High population density
  - o 7,200 inh./Km<sup>2</sup>
- ✓ Streets and traffic
  - o Lack of space
  - Rush hour traffic and illegal parking
- ✓ Commuting
  - o 700,000 commuters every day



## WASTE COLLECTION AND STREET CLEANING

#### Delivered services in Milan





#### Waste collection

#### Waste collection 668,158 t/year 2015

**53%** Separate Collection

- √ 352,292 t Total recyclables
  - o 81,100 t Paper and cardboard
  - o **43,199 t** Plastic and metals
  - o **65,298 t** Glass
  - o **134,636 t** Organic
  - o **28,059 t** Other
- √ 315,866 t Residual waste





#### Street cleaning

- √ 2,185 Km of streets to clean (4.370 Km for both sides of the road)
- √ 2,800 parks and gardens
- √ 23,200 street bins
- √ 94 open street markets weekly
- ✓ Other services: cleaning embankments, street and sidewalk weeding, drain wells, emergency management and major events, graffiti removal, mobile toilets, winter services, disinfestation, etc...



## THE INTEGRATED WASTE CYCLE IN MILAN

## Circular economy of waste





#### **Separate** Collection

Door to door collection over the whole city

#### **Street Containers**

Bring banks: paper and cardboard

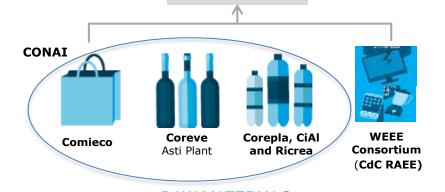
Street bins

#### **Services**

Civic **Amenity** Sites

CAM

**Bulky** waste collection



**PRODUCTS** 







Plastic and Glass





WEEE



Anaerobic Dijestion plant

#### **COMPOST**





Organic waste

- Best quality of collected waste
- **Limited** street exposure of waste
  - Positive effects on hygiene and appearance of the city



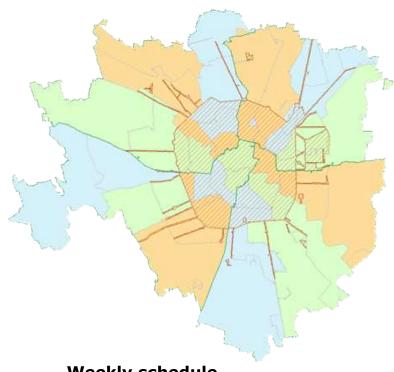
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## WASTE SEPARATE COLLECTION IN MILAN

#### Times and methods



- Door to door collection over the whole city with:
  - bins (paper, glass and organic)
  - bags (light metals, plastic, residual waste)
- **♦** 55,000 collection points
- Residual and organic waste collection twice a week
- Waste storage in private premises within buildings
- Waste bins and bags are brought on the street by the citizens on specific days and at times set by Amsa
- All pick-up services are carried out between 5:30 am and 12:00 am from Mon to Fri, between 6:50 and 12:00 on Sat (Sun services only for commercial users)
- The city center (highest traffic area) is served before **8:00 am**



#### Weekly schedule

Residual waste

Monday/Thursday

Tuesday/Friday

Wednesday/Saturday

City Center

## WASTE SEPARATE COLLECTION IN MILAN

## Time schedule for every waste fraction



	Clear bag (residual waste)	Twice a week
	Yellow bag (plastic and metals)	Once a week
	Cardboard	Twice a week for commercial waste
	White containers (paper)	Once a week
With the second	Green container (glass)	Once a week
	Brown container (organic)	Twice a week for domestic waste
		Every day for commercial waste





Separate waste collection in Milan

## SEPARATE WASTE COLLECTION IN MILAN



Integrated plan for organic waste collection 2012-2014



- Milan is the second largest city in Italy and over 80% of families live in high rise buildings
- ▶ In **2011**, Milan had a **35% separate collection rate**, mainly dry recyclables collected with door to door system
- Only organic waste from commercial activities as restaurants, supermarkets, hotels, schools was collected separately and composted



- 1. Introduction in 2012 of the **transparent bag** to replace the black bag for residual waste collection
  - 2. Introduction in 2012 of the households food waste collection

## OPERATIVE PLAN TO OPTIMIZE COLLECTION

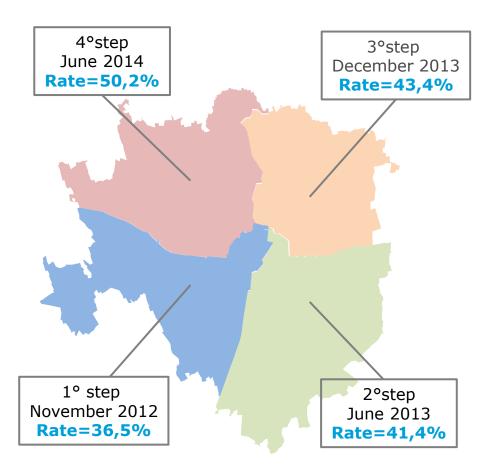


## Household organic collection

#### **OPERATIVE PLAN**

- Door to door collection
- Sizing of a new collection system (weights, users, routes, productivity, ...)
- Activities coordinated with the Municipality of Milan
- Delivery of kits to households with:
  - ✓ leaflets and cards
  - compostable bags and 10lt bins as initial equipment (sponsored, free for citizens)

#### 4 step implementation program



# OPERATIVE PLAN TO OPTIMIZE COLLECTION Households kit







#### VENTILATED KITCHEN BIN

The small kitchen bin has a special airy structure to ensure optimal oxygenation of the bag and its content and thus minimizing the inconvenience related to the creation of odors and liquids.

#### 25 COMPOSTABLE BAGS

Bags made of bioplastics have properties and characteristics of use very similar to traditional plastics, but at the same time, they are biodegradable and compostable according to the European standard EN 13432

#### WHEELED BIN

**120 It. wheeled bin at the curbside**. Standard equipment for every building. Also available **a smaller 35 It. bin** on request





Note: bins are given free loan to citizens

## OPERATIVE PLAN TO OPTIMIZE COLLECTION

#### What should the citizen do?



#### Step 1

Food scraps are thrown in the kitchen bin with certified compostable bags (available in stores or reusable shopping bags)



#### Step 2

Compostable bags need to be carried to the 120 lt. wheeled bin located in the courtyard



#### Step 3

Wheeled bins are carried in the streets at scheduled times for pickup by Amsa's trucks



## OPERATIVE PLAN TO OPTIMIZE COLLECTION SERVICE

## Logistics of collection and transport



Household bins



Collection



Transfer to treatment plant



Visual inspections of waste





## OPERATIVE PLAN TO OPTIMIZE COLLECTION SERVICE

Quantitative results (2015)



100 kg

#### Quantity per capita

100 kg/inh./year is the quantity per capita of food waste that we collect.

This result is the highest across all major European cities

30 %

#### Commercial waste

About 30% comes from commercial activities and schools while the majority is residential



#### Overall quantity

About 135,000 t/year of food waste are now being collected separately and sent to AD for organic recycling saving 8,760 t of CO2/year\*\*

<sup>\*</sup> Data does not include green waste which are collected separately in Civic Amenity Sites.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Calculated by CIC, the Italian Composting and Biogas Consortium based on the Defra (UK) calculation tool, 2011

## OPERATIVE PLAN TO OPTIMIZE COLLECTION

## Quality of the organic fraction



Composition analysis performed with the collaboration of CIC (Italian Composting and Biogas Consortium)



Samples taken from the brown bin show **good quality** with Non Compostable Material **(NCM%)** at 5% on average



The compostable materials is composed almost exclusively of **food** waste with a negligible presence of **paper**, **cardboard** and **garden** waste (<3%)



Plastic is the main contaminant in particular plastic bags, solid plastic and, where present, diapers



## ORGANIC COLLECTION IN OPEN MARKETS Trial introduction



#### **Objective**

- Increasing organic waste separation
- Improving cleaning conditions of the stands after-sales to allow reduced cleaning operations
- Re-use of extra-market workers in additional cleaning activities

#### **Trial organization**

- Implementation in 15 markets with a duration of al least six months (still on going)
- Biocompostable bags according to UNI EN 13432:2002 (approx 70 l.) located in each market stand
- Distribution of steel perches for biocompostable bags and bag holder rings for the stands.

**PERCH** 



BAG HOLDER RING





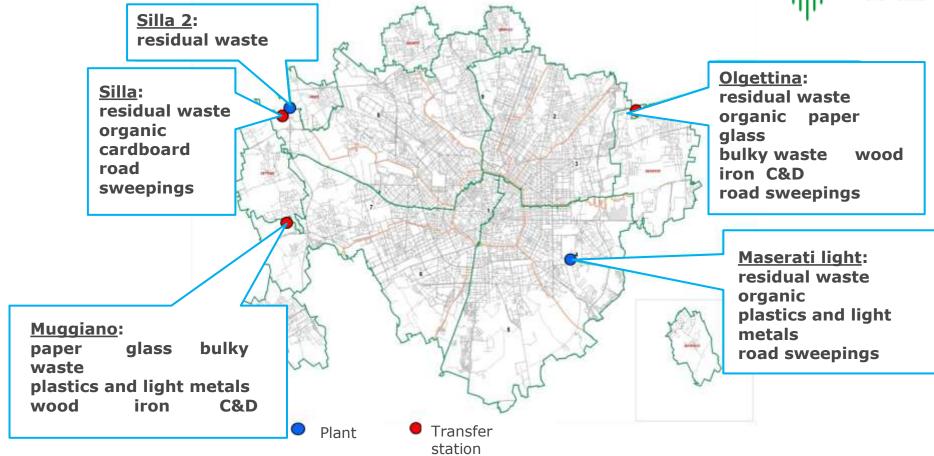
#### **Results**

During the first half of testing, good levels of the organic waste collection were recorded (16% on average), due to the information campaign and continuous monitoring of the stands.

## LOGISTICS AND DISPOSAL

## Transfer stations and plants





AMSA has optimized **its** collected waste **transport system** to treatment centers, taking into account the criticality of a city like Milan (traffic, road conditions, different vehicles for collection, etc.) with a **network of transfer stations:** this system of **second level logistics** allows to reduce transfer times, in order to optimize the use of the vehicles and to reduce logistics costs.

## INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES

## "Smart" technologies for a smart city





#### **SMART BINS**

Patented technology solution for real time monitoring of containers active in Milan. By December 2017 is expected the placement of 300 smart bins (for a total of 15,000 containers by 2018)



#### **SWEEPY JET®**

Sweepy Jet is a patented equipment for cleaning the streets and sidewalks without moving the parked cars



#### **CENTRAL CONTROL ROOM**

- ✓ Monitoring information
- ✓ **Detecting** critical issues in the area and share them with the Operating Units and Third Companies
- ✓ Supporting the operating units in the management of events
- ✓ **interacting** with local Institutions
- Providing an overview of all the delivered services in the area



#### **FUTURE PLANTS**

The **development plan** for the next three years include: **2 installations** for the selection of multi-material (plastic and metal packaging) and **2 anaerobic digestion plants** for the organic fraction of municipal waste

## **EXPO 2015**





At the Expo 2015 Exhibition site Amsa was able to reach the goal of 70% of recycling

## BENEFITS OF ORGANIC WASTE COLLECTION

## An example of circular economy



Milan with the plan for organic waste separate collection was able to:

- Reach european goals for waste recycling and getting close to italian goals (65%)
  - Over 50% Recycling
  - Recovering residual waste as energy and heat
  - Recovering the organic fraction of the MSW with 100 kg/inh.\*year
- Contribute to circular economy:
  - New employment opportunities
  - Developing innovation (eg. the recovery of waste sweepings) and the use of new materials and new products such as biocompostable bags)



# ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY Amsa strategy towards 2020



## **Increase Recycling**

**Composition analysis** different waste fractions

Towards 65% Recycling

Increase diversion for recyclable wastes

Paper and Cardboard Commingled collection

Once a week frequency collection
Residual waste fraction

Organic waste collection

15 open markets (over 1.190 food stands) 6 months trial period

Separation of dry recyclables in open markets

#### **Street cleaning**

Suburbs

increment services

Sweepy jet

65% increase (about 1,200 Km)

**Illegal dumps**More interception

**Civic Amenity sites**Opening new sites also

Opening new sites also destined for deposits and local intervention bases

## Company Organization

**Territorial control** 

Increasing Sunday presence

Revision of shifts for 38 hours/week

Introduction of multiperiod shifts

## **Environmental Impacts**

Reduction of vehicle emissions (fleet >30% EEV, 25% CNG)

Renovation of trucks

Purchasing 327 new trucks to replace Euro3 vehicles

**Reducing traffic impacts** 

different frequencies of execution of services

Hydraulic biodegradable oil

being tested on our vehicles for hydraulic controls

Biomethane fuel station

North east area











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