



PODcycle - Coffee capsule and pod recycling

The Australian Government is supporting Planet Ark Environmental Foundation's PODCycle project to develop a product stewardship scheme to recycle coffee pods and capsules.

The problem

Australians consume 3 million coffee capsules and pods daily, with only 10% of these capsules recycled. This equates to an estimated 8,500 tonnes of aluminium, plastic and used coffee grounds going to landfill every year.

The solution

Through collaboration with Nestle (Nespresso) and Woolworths, the PODcycle project is establishing a national scheme to collect and recycle coffee capsules and pods of all types and brands. The Australian Government is providing a grant of \$940,000 for the project through the National Product Stewardship Investment Fund.

When

The PODcycle scheme is due to commence in October 2022.

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Further information

- [National Product Stewardship Investment Fund](#)
- [Waste and resource recovery publications and resources](#)

The Australian Government's National Product Stewardship Investment Fund aims to increase the number of industry-led product stewardship schemes in Australia through grants of between \$300,000 to \$1 million.