Updates from our pilots!

Bootcamps in Greece
In the framework of the PTwist programme, MedSOS will be collaborating with Precious Plastic Greece (https://preciousplastic.gr), an innovative collective of open source recycling machine builders, makers and activators, in order to realize two bootcamps.

The bootcamps aim to prepare the “crowd” by identifying both participants and trainers with multidisciplinary backgrounds (artists, makers, product designers, etc.) Participants will be exposed to various techniques of innovative reusing, reshaping and creating new useful products out of reclaimed plastic, with special focus on types of low value for the recycling industry and marine litter. MedSOS plans to use Precious Plastic machines and other manual tools, sharing knowledge and experience under the open source and non-formal educational methods. The aim is to bring in the valuable experience of the two running plastic recycling workshops, namely Remakers Project/Precious Plastic Lab (developed in collaboration with Athens Makers-pace) and By(e)Plastic Project (developed in partnership with Electra Energy Cooperative and SolidarityNow) and the experience of an environmental NGO as MedSOS that works for more than 30 years on marine environment.

Dutch Design Challenge
The Dutch are on a roll, putting the refusal and reducing of plastics first, and recycling second. Next to the Municipality of Rotterdam we got partnered with Sodexo - the global caterer, PwC - the global consultancy and the Port of Rotterdam. Furthermore, we teamed up with Plastic Pact initiative, and work closely with the Ministry of Infrastructure and Water.

Our Plastic Diet was a great success, we mobilised 200 citizens to join our PTwist team in a month-long challenge to refuse single use plastic in every purchase they made, and tell their experience. We also started an online community called Plastic Pioneers with 220 members (and counting).

“Plastic Wolf” shredder
The Swiss PlasticTwist pilot has made its shredder the “Plastic Wolf” (based on the open source version from https://preciousplastic.com) and introduced a series of workshops (http://fablab-luzern.ch/cycle-of-things) informing about plastic types 1-6 and recycling.

In the coming months we invite you to the PlasticTalks in https://neubad.org/event in Lucerne. Specialists will exchange with the audience on the following themes:

- Plastic & Tokenomics - 23.01.2019
- Circular & Plastic - 27.02.2019
- Plastic & Planet - 19.03.2019
- Plastic & Water - 17.04.2019