



## **COP27**

**Shedding light on a blind spot through the Climate and Ozone Protection Alliance: leveraging the vast emissions reduction potential of correct disposal of ODS and HFC banks**

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# AGENDA

<b>Welcoming Remarks</b>	Rachel Pekker, German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action
<b>The Climate and Ozone Protection Alliance</b>	Ellen Michel, GIZ Proklima, Head of COPA Secretariat
<b>COPA activities in Tunisia and the general need for ODS and HFC banks management</b>	Youssef Hammami, National Ozone Unit Tunisia
<b>Solutions for ODS and HFC banks management</b>	Dietram Oppelt, HEAT GmbH
<b>Q&amp;A</b>	All
<b>Conclusion and closing remarks</b>	Sophie Geoghegan, EIA



# 1. Welcome Remarks Rachel Pekker, BMWK

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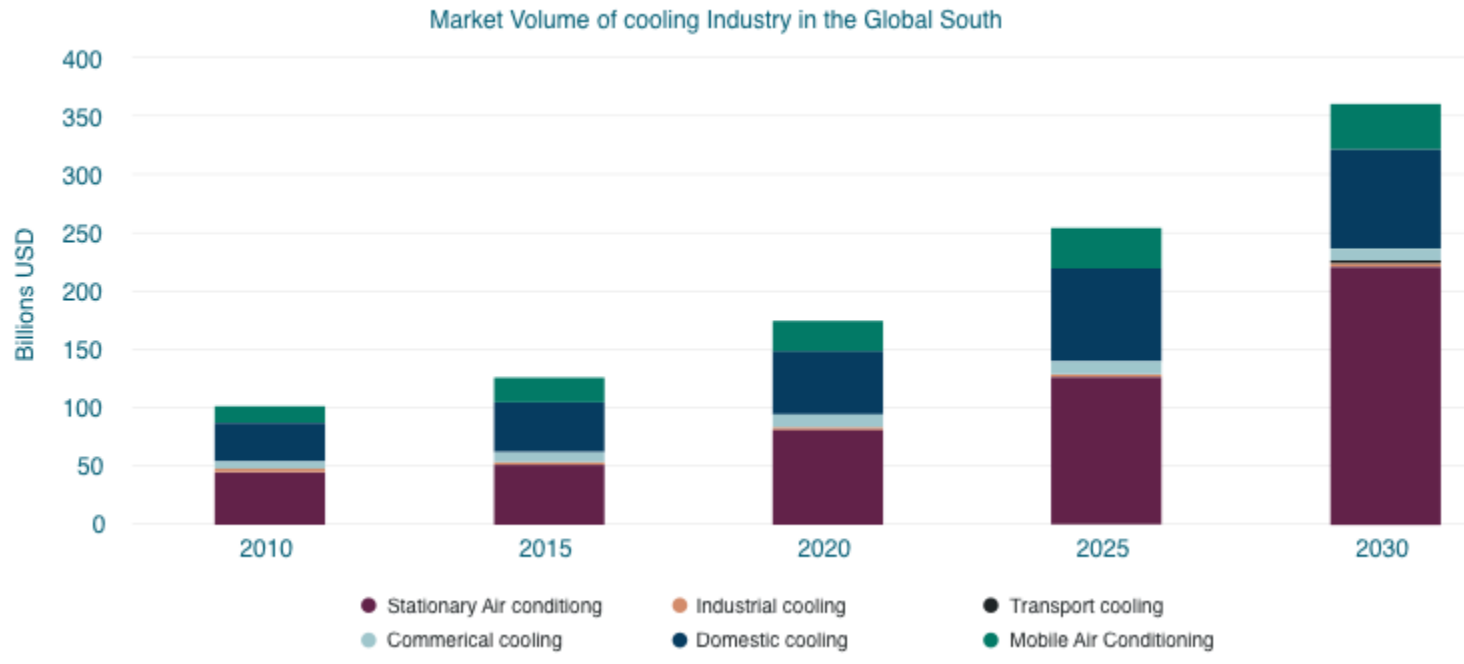


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## 2. The Climate and Ozone Protection Alliance Ellen Michel, GIZ

# THE CHALLENGE



Source: own research, HEAT GmbH








Substance		 (ODP)	 (GWP)	 * SSS				
CFC	CFC-11	1,0	4.750					
	CFC-12	1,0	10.900					
	R-502	0,2	4.667					
HCFC	HCFC-141b	0,11	725					
	HCFC-22	0,055	1.810					
	HCFC-123	0,022	77					
	HCFC-124	0,02 a 0,04	609					
	HCFC-142b	0,065	2.310					
HFC	HFC-134a	0	1.430					
	R-404A	0	3.922					
	R-32	0	675					
	R-410A	0	2.100					
	R-407C	0	1.800					
	R-415B	0,013	550					
	R-507	0	3.300					
	HFC-125	0	3.500					
HFO	R-1234yf	0	4					
	HFO-1336mzz-Z	0	4					
Natural Refrigerants	R-290 (propane)	0	3					
	R-600a (isobutane)	0	4					
	Ciclopentane	0	< 0.1					
	R-1270 (propylene)	0	3 a 5					
	R-744 (CO <sub>2</sub> )	0	1					
	R-717 (Ammonia)	0	0					

Table 1: Comparative ODP and GWP values of the main refrigerants with past and current uses in the refrigeration and air-conditioning sectors.



Larger Supermarket refrigeration systems are charged with around 4000 tCO<sub>2</sub>Eq.

 Applications worldwide  Widely used refrigerants

## GHG EMISSIONS FROM GLOBAL ODS AND HFC BANKS

	Current	Through 2050	Through 2100
Global ODS & HFC Refrigerants banks (GtCO <sub>2</sub> e)	24	61	91

„By 2100, the global total of ODSs and HFCs in use or expected to be produced rises to approximately

**91 GtCO<sub>2</sub>e**

– nearly equal to three full years of global energy-related carbon dioxide emissions today”

Environmental Investigation Agency

## HIGH POTENTIALS TO RAISE NDC AMBITIONS THROUGH ODS & HFC BANK MANAGEMENT

- HFCs are part of the Kyoto basket of GHG gases
- Provide a cost-effective option to raise NDC ambitions

### First steps towards ambitious ODS and HFC banks NDC components in the NDCs

1. An ODS and HFC banks Inventory to define the baseline of banks and emissions
2. Formulate mitigation strategies and implementation plans
3. Design and anchor ambitious mitigation measures in the NDC update
4. Establish a monitoring, reporting and verification (MRV) system to track mitigation progress



## THE GAP



- Due to a general lack of appropriate political and regulatory frameworks as well as infrastructure, the collection, reclamation and destruction of waste containing ODS and HFC presents a major challenge.
- Neither the Montreal Protocol nor any other international environmental convention regulates the management and destruction of existing ODS banks.

Policy  
Framework

Financing  
Mechanism

Collection  
Infrastructure

Reclamation  
and  
Destruction  
Infrastructure

# INTRODUCTION

## Approach

COPA works jointly with partner countries and diverse actors across private and public sectors to advance the holistic solutions needed to reduce ODS and HFC banks, and ultimately complete the shift in the cooling sector to sustainable refrigerant management.

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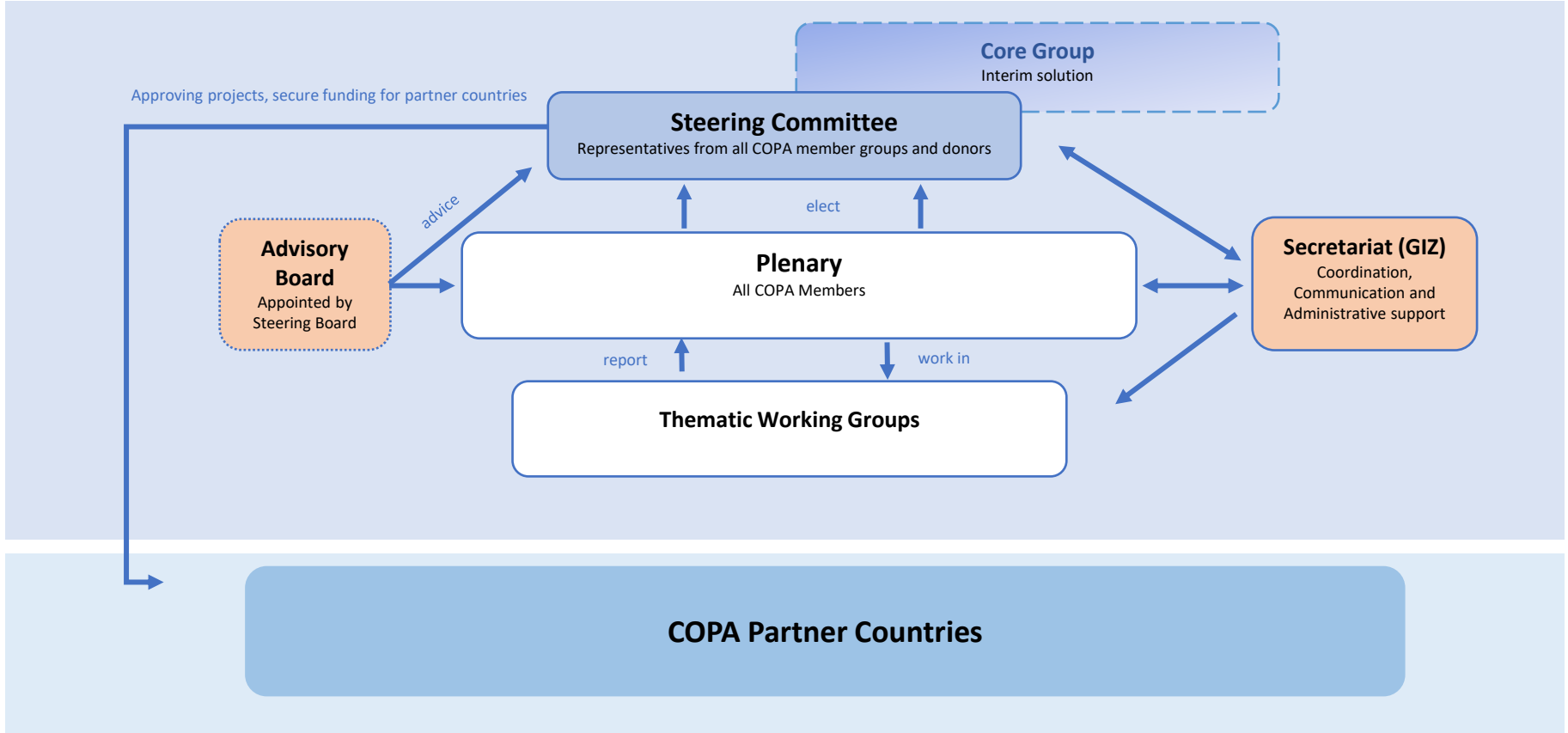
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## IMPACT THROUGH ACTION

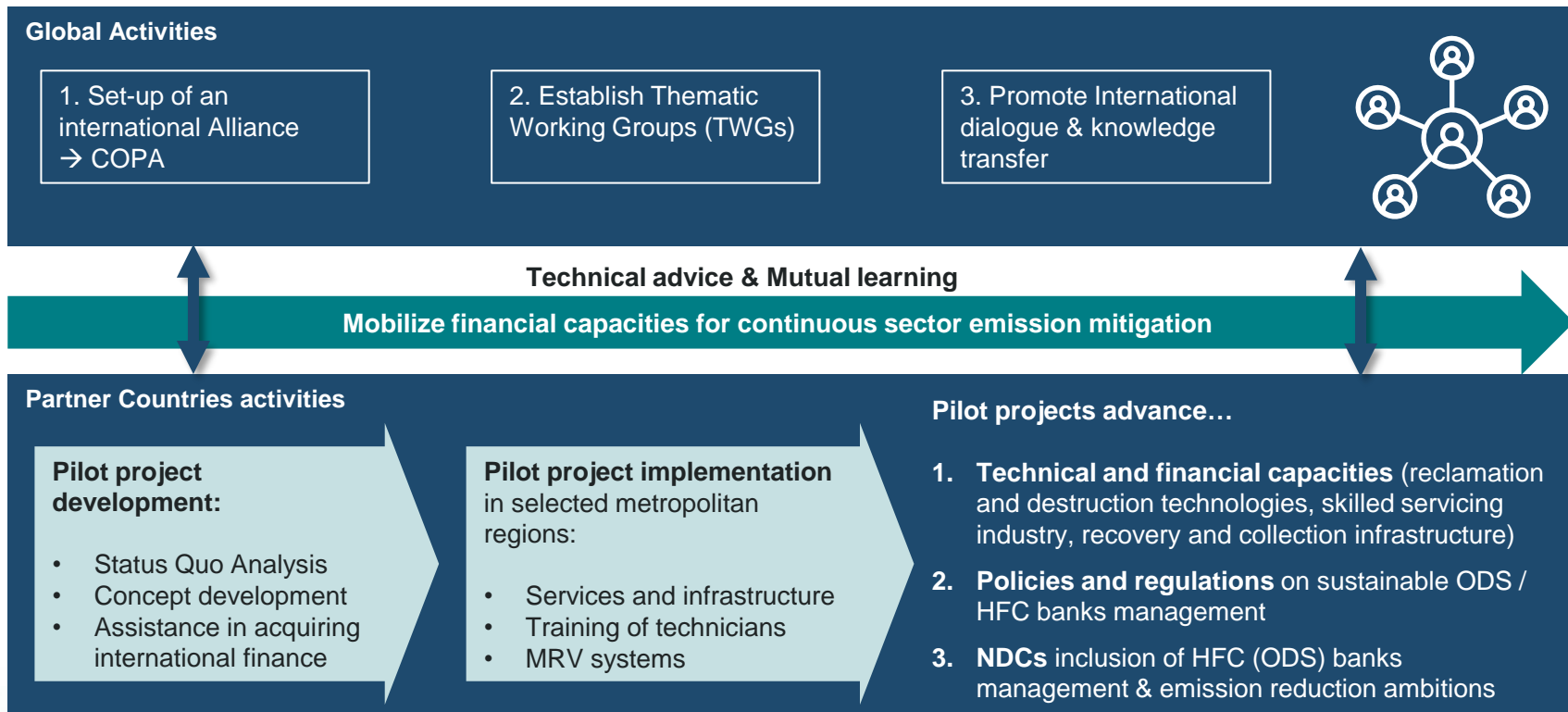
- Raise global awareness
- Bring actors together
- Advance holistic solutions
- Promote a global shift



**Closing the loop to a circular economy in the cooling sector through sustainable refrigerant management**



## FIRST RESULTS & WORK IN PROGRESS



# COPA SERVICES

COPA Services

## Expertise

- Fostering expertise across all sectors
- Provide access to technical know-how and mutual learning
- Prepare market studies and concepts for the pilot implementation of mitigation measures in diverse regions.

## Networking

- Create a platform to network with all relevant actors from private sector, public sector, civil society and academia
- Connect experts on sustainable refrigerant management
- Enable international positioning
- Setting the scene: achieve amplified reach and enhanced impact

## Mitigation Action Support

### For COPA partner countries <sup>1</sup> :

- Support in conceptualization of mitigation action
- Support in mobilizing finance
- Support in implementing action

COPA Tools

## Working Groups

The core of **COPA's** work is driven by member-led working groups on:

- Policy measures
- Financing mechanisms
- Implementation models
- Recovery, reclamation and destruction technologies for the management of ODS and HFC banks

## International Alliance

- Organisation of regular exchange and network meetings
- Participation in international events
- Organisation of Study Tours
- Raising awareness on the topic of ODS and HFC banks through global dialogue and exchange.

## Technical Support

- Baseline Assessment
- Project conceptualization
- Implementation Support

## Financing Mechanism

- Assistance in applying for international climate finance
- Access funding through COPA financing mechanism

<sup>1</sup> COPA partner countries must commit to meeting the minimum criteria of the Climate and Ozone Protection Alliance. For more information, see the section "Become a member"

# THEMATIC WORKING GROUPS (TWG)

## OUR WORKING GROUPS

Together with partners and stakeholders from academia, the private sector, civil society and policy makers, we are working on the following topics:



### Policy Framework

For an effective management of refrigerants and foams at end-of-life, suitable policy measures are required like venting bans or mandatory recovery



### Technology Solutions

Working towards the best technical solutions for ODS and HFC recovery, reclamation and destruction



### Financing Mechanism

The infrastructure for and operation of a collection scheme and the destruction or reclamation of ODS and HFCs needs to be based on a sustainable financing mechanism.



### Implementation Models

Putting theory into practice and demonstrating how sustainable refrigerant management can be implemented.

## COPA PILOT ACTIVITIES IN



Ghana



China



Colombia

First COPA  
partner  
country

## COUNTRY MEMBERSHIP APPLICANTS



Tunisia,  
COPA  
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country



Mexico,  
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country



Grenada



Dominican  
Republic



The Gambia



Ecuador



## COPA MEMBERS



## BECOME A MEMBER

Enjoy the following benefits

- Membership free of charge
- Many networking opportunities
- Shape the future of COPA
- Technology and solution exchange
- Early access to publications, newsletters, events
- Support in designing and implementing mitigation actions

COPA is open to all countries and organisations willing to support the global shift to sustainable refrigerant management and closing the loop to a circular economy in the cooling sector.

Find more Information on our Website:

<https://www.copalliance.org/>





**3.** Tunisia perspective: The need for ODS and HFC banks management  
Youssef Hammami, National Ozone Unit Tunisia

## APPROACH FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NDC IN TUNISIA

- The Ministry of the Environment began in early 2020 the development of a national development strategy with reduced GHG emissions adapting to climate change by 2050,

Based on:

- The revision of Tunisia's NDC in the climate change sector, following the requirements of the Paris Agreement (PA).
- The implementation of the NDC by the Ministry of the Environment and co-steered by a technical advisory committee appointed by the Minister of the Environment (created in early 2020).
- The NOU is a member in this committee

## DEVELOPMENT OF SNBG 2050

- National strategy for low-carbon (SNBG), based on the revised NDC (article 4.19 of the Paris Agreement: PA)
- Strategic Vision 2050
- The Tunisian NOU is a member in this SNBG committee

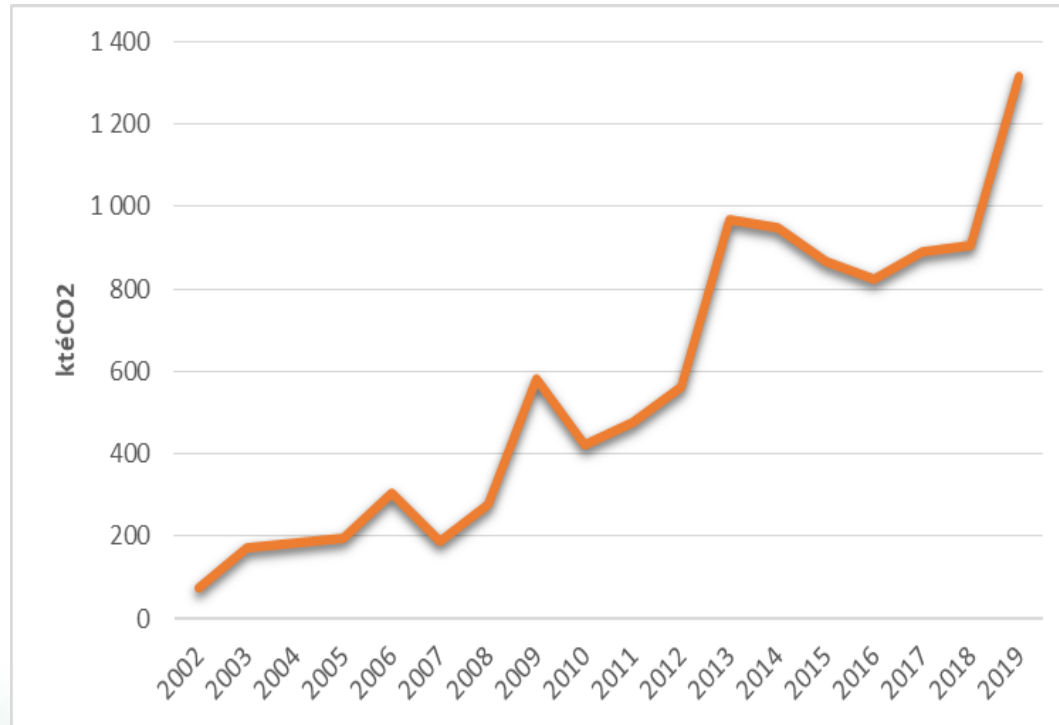
## BILATERAL/NATIONAL PARTNER FOR UPDATING THE TUNISIAN NDC

- The International Cooperation Agency: GIZ
- The National Energy Management Agency: ANME

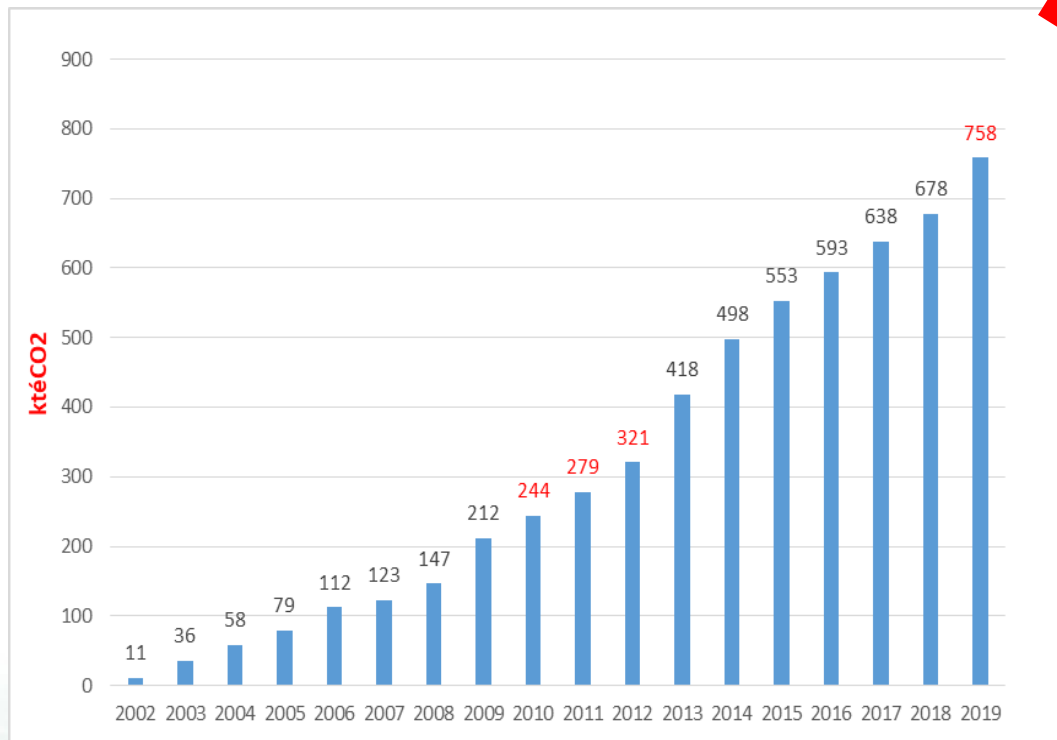
The updated NDC was finalized and sent to UNCCC – October 2021

Including GHG (HFC) reduction plan in the RAC sector and HFC emission from banks

## HISTORY OF ANNUAL HFC IMPORTS 2002-2019



## HFCS IN GHG INVENTORIES

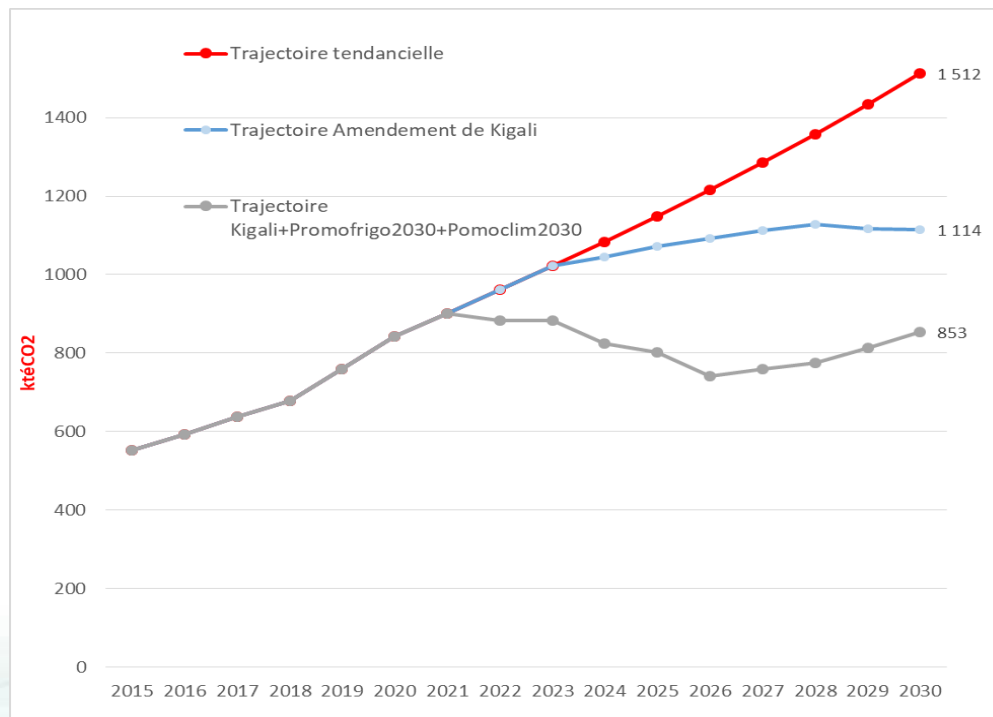




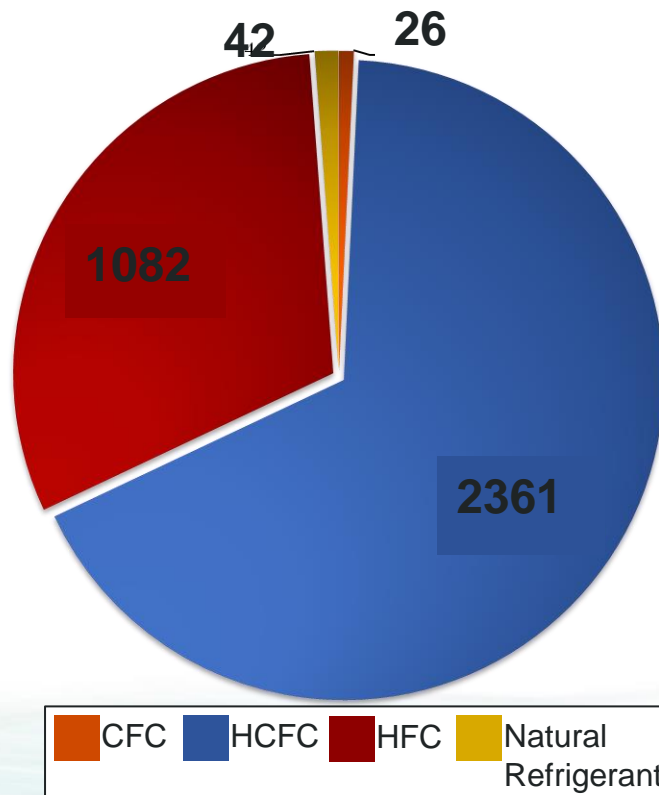
## PROMOFRIGO AND PROMOCLIM PROJECTS TARGETING ODS (HCFC-22) & HFC STOCKS

- **PROMOFRIGO:** is a specific national program aimed at **replacing old refrigerators** (more than 10 years old) **with class 1 refrigerators**. Promofrigo should rely on a financial mechanism based on a subsidy and an FTE (Energy Transition Fund) credit.
- **PROMOCLIM:** would be a national program aimed at **replacing old Air Conditioners** (more than 10 years old, and generally of class greater than or equal to 4) **with class 1 appliances**. This program has not started either, but it was supposed to rely on a financial mechanism based on a grant and an FTE credit.

## PROSPECTS FOR THE EVOLUTION OF GHG EMISSIONS DUE TO HFC ACCORDING TO 3 SCENARIOS WITH THE ASSUMPTION OF AN EXTENSION OF PROMOFRIGO UNTIL 2030 (KTÉCO<sub>2</sub>)

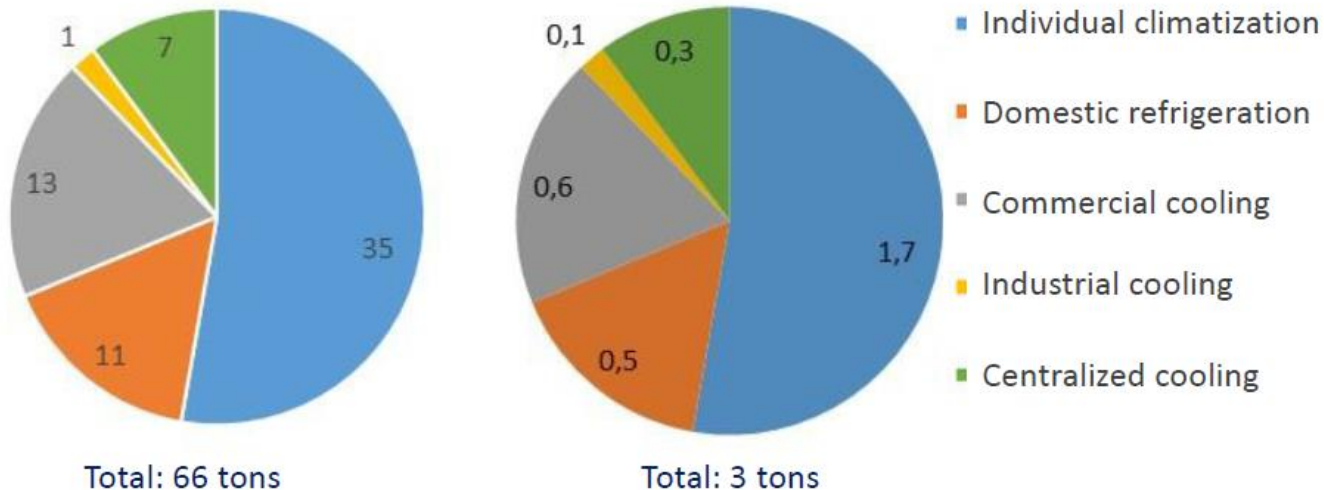


## ODS/HFC DISTRIBUTION (BY REFRIGERANTS TYPE IN KTÉ CO<sub>2</sub>) SURVEY OF 2015



## POTENTIAL IN ODS/HFC (LEFT) AND ODS/HFC AVAILABLE (RIGHT) FOR MANAGEMENT

Source: 2015



## THE NEED TO CONDUCT AN UNPDATE INVENTORY OF ODS/HFC IN STOCKS (BANKS)

Why ?

- Determination of business requirements for ODS/HFC management,
- Determination of environment benefits: the ozone layer , the climate protection..
- Allow to choose between the export for the recovered ODS/HFC for their destruction and the local solution (recycling/reclaiming facility)
- Optimal capability design for destruction technologies in case of local ODS/HFC destruction /recycling/reclaiming option
- Assess long-term availability to ensure economic viability of the ODS/HFC destruction or recycling/reclaiming
- Development of appropriate regulatory framework

## KEY PROCESSES FOR ODS/HFC INVENTORY MANAGEMENT

For successful ODS /HFC inventory management, the following key processes must be established:

- Appropriate policy measures
- A sustainable financing mechanism
- An effective collection mechanism
- An operational recycling/reclaiming and destruction infrastructure

## TUNISIA – NEW COPA MEMBER

- Tunisia joined COPA Program in 2022
- Implementation :with GIZ/UNIDO and related stakeholders in Tunisia (Waste management agency / energy efficiency agency...)

### What we can do with COPA?

- Inventory for ODS/HFC banks will be updated
- Development and update of the ROADMAP regarding the best management of ODS/HFC banks in all retaed RAC sector.
- Capcities building of RAC actors (technicians, servicing sector...) for good handling and management of ODS/HFC

# Thank you for your attention

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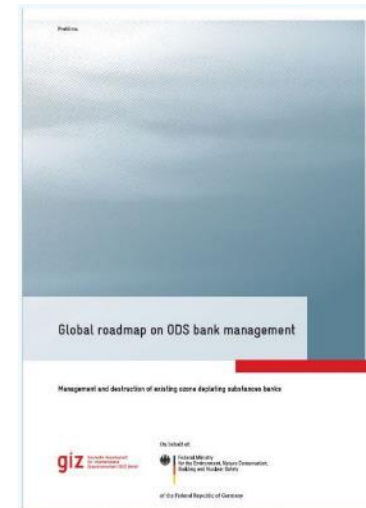




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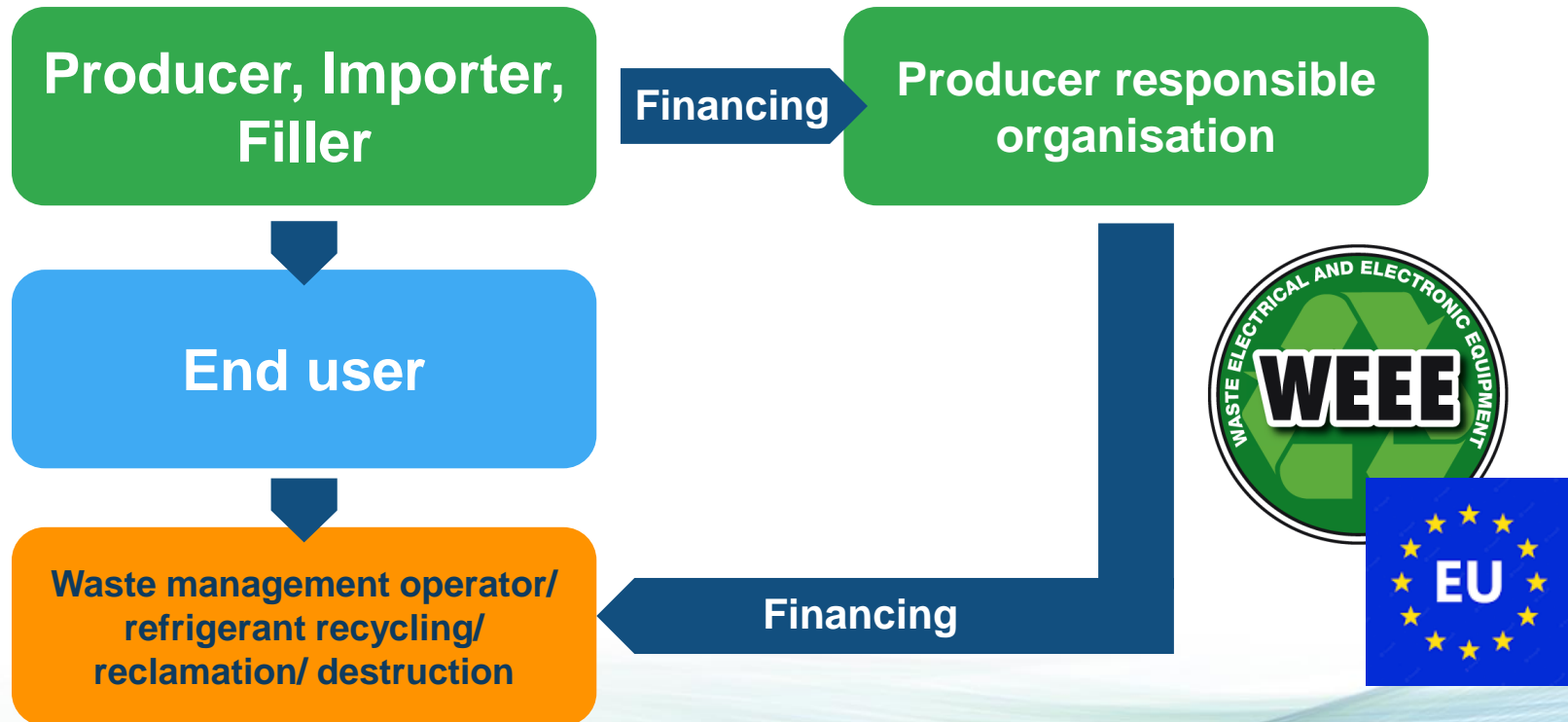
## INSTRUMENTS TO RAISE NDC AMBITIONS (EMISSION TARGETS) THROUGH ODS & HFC BANK MANAGEMENT

- Enhanced Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes
- Refrigerant & cooling appliances **collection systems**
- **Mandatory on-site recycling** of refrigerants
- Establishment of **refrigerant reclaim facilities**
- **Certified technicians** to handle, install, service, and check leakages

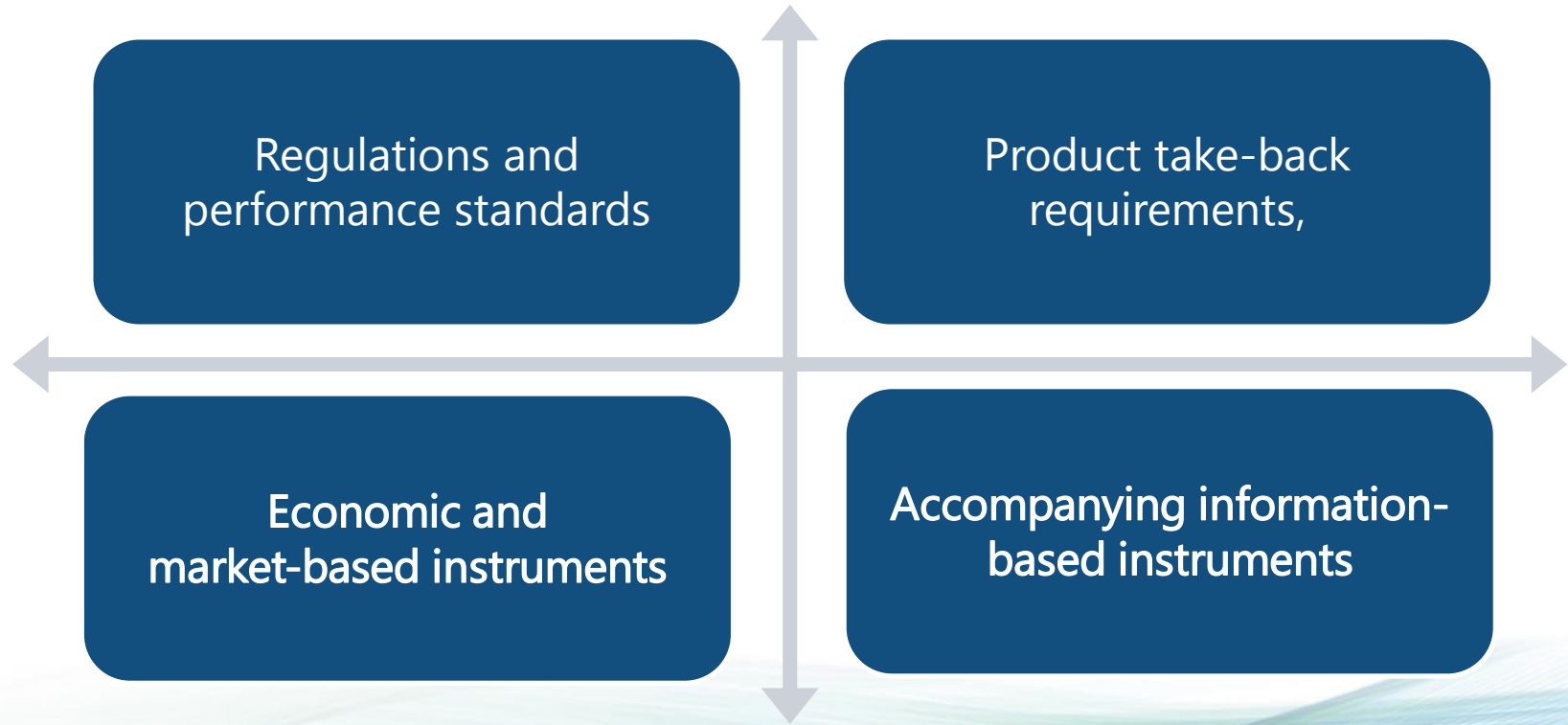


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## EPR SCHEMES AS A CRITICAL ENABLER



## EPR SCHEME AS A MIXTURE OF CRITICAL



## BUSINESS CASE 1: REFRIGERATOR RECYCLING BRAZIL

- Refrigerator Recycling, with the recovery and sale of recycled materials and F-gases
- Financing through “green utility take back programme”, exchange of old inefficient refrigerators against efficient households for poor households with good utility payment record
- Recycling program linking facilities; refrigerator manufacturers, retailers; servicing technicians; scrap collectors; utilities; private households



## **KEY FACTS REFRIGERATOR REFRIGERANTS RECYCLING PROMOTED BY PROKLIMA**

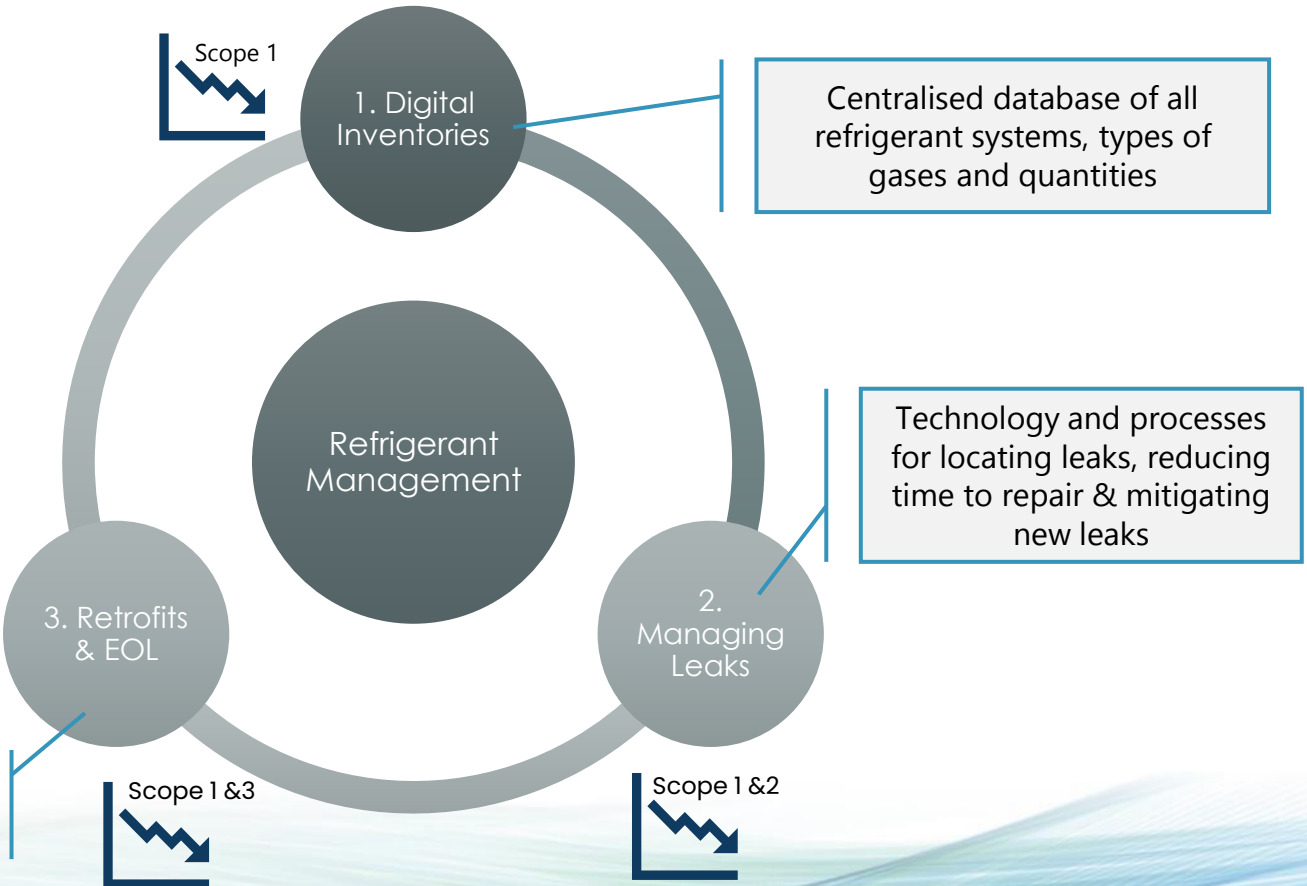
- **Successful launch and implementation of WEEE regulation**
- **218.065 recycled cooling appliances**
- **Recovery of 30.904 kg of ozone depleting and climate damaging substances (CFC-11, CFC-12, HCFC-141b, HCFC-22, HFC-134a)**
- **Destruction of 2,6 t recovered F-Gases in a national plant**
- **Avoidance of 155.663 t CO<sub>2</sub> eq. direct emissions**
- **Supported by Brazilian Ministry of the Environment**
- **Implemented by GIZ Proklima**
- **Operator: Revert Brasil Soluções Ambientais Ltda.**

# BUSINESS CASE 2: ORGANISATIONAL REFRIGERANT MANAGEMENT

Reduced Risk, Costs & Emissions

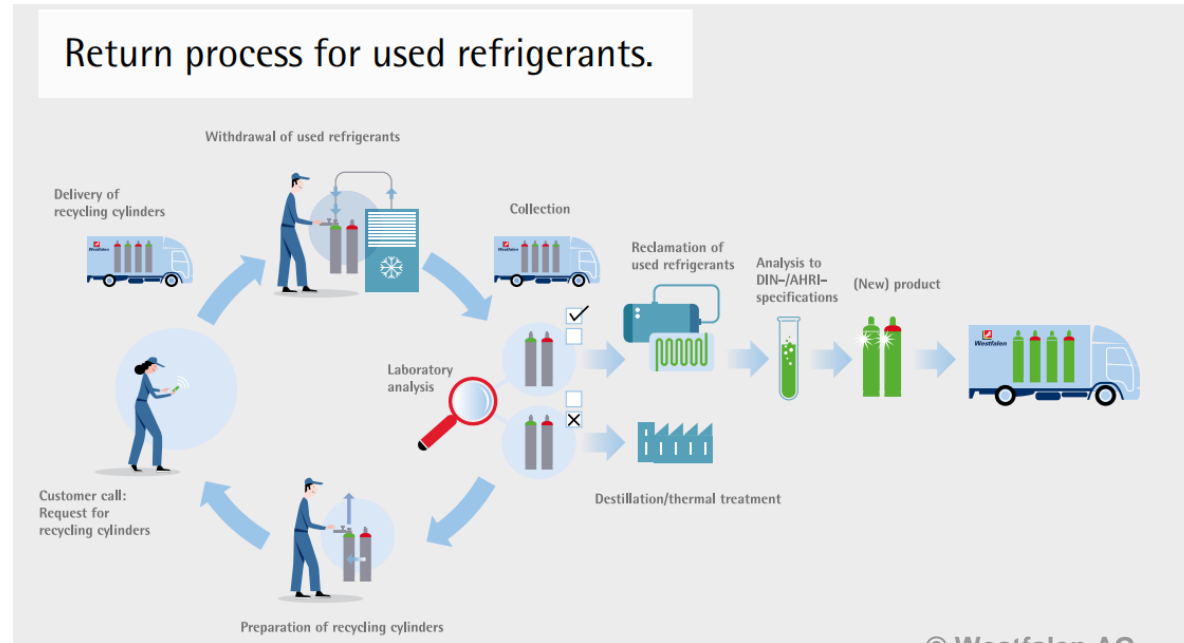
- Lifecycle Objectives**
1. Prevent 'polluting' banks from growing (ODS, HFCs)
  2. Mitigate emissions from leaks & energy Use
  3. Ensure no atmospheric release at end-of-life (EOL)

Refrigerant selection, disposal and capacity building



## BUSINESS CASE 3: RESELLING RECLAIMED REFRIGERANT

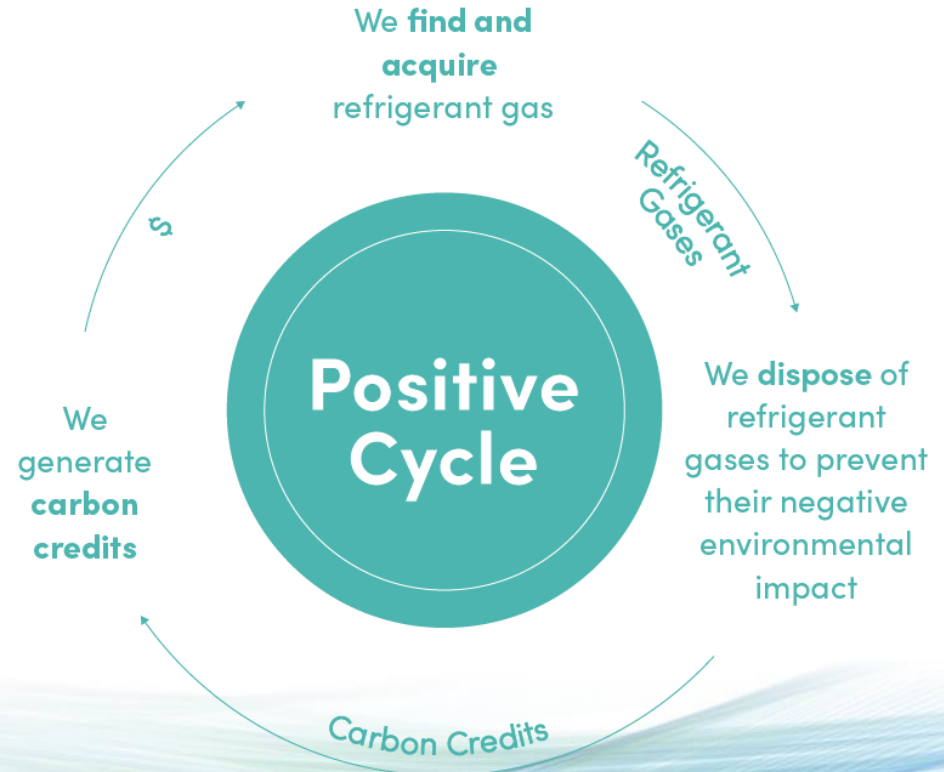
- Collect, recover and reclaim used refrigerant (ODS) → getting rid of impurities
- Deliver refrigerant back to end users
- E.g Enviroserve in United Arab Emirates states: Reclaimed refrigerants are **45% cheaper compared to virgin gases**





## BUSINESS CASE 4: CARBON CREDITS

- **Identify and collect** refrigerant gases for their proper management.
- Once a sufficient amount has been accumulated through an authorized waste manager, the gases are **destroyed or reclaimed** locally or internationally, preventing a potential negative environmental impact.
- **Carbon credits** are generated through recognized and verifiable international protocols, and their sale finances the search and management of more refrigerant.



## KEY TAKE AWAYS

- Importance of **EPR schemes as a key enabler**
- Important for **tracking refrigerant flow** through **registries**
- Effective **refrigerant quota and pricing schemes**, to drive recycling and reclamation
- **Carbon credits** can facilitate the transition and financing of sustainable policy schemes
- **Qualified and certified technicians** to handle refrigerants



**5.** Q&A  
All participants



6. Conclusion and Closing remarks  
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