

Want to know more about the Plastic-Free Webinar Panelists?

Here are their short biographies (taken from [EarthDay.org](https://www.earthday.org)):

Alex Schulze

Alex Schulze is the CEO and Co-Founder of [4ocean](https://www.4ocean.com), a purpose-driven business with a mission to end the ocean plastic crisis while working to educate individuals and help change their single-use plastic consumption habits on land. 4ocean conducts ocean cleanups daily with full time captains and crews working globally at operations in Florida, Bali, Haiti and Guatemala. The cleanups are funded entirely through product purchases with one pound of trash removed for every product purchased. As a result, the team has pulled more than 10 million pounds of trash since the company was founded in January 2017.

Arun Krishnamurthy

Arun Krishnamurthy founded the [Environmental Foundation of India](https://www.environmentalistfoundationofindia.org) (EFI) in 2007. E.F.I focuses on scientific revival of lakes and ponds through a community based collaborative conservation effort. Arun is also the recipient of many prestigious awards such as the Rolex Award for Enterprise, the Jane Goodall Youth Leadership Award, the British Council International Climate Champion Excellence Award, and many others. Today, Arun continues his conservation efforts which has expanded to multiple communities around India.

Charlie Rolsky

Charlie Rolsky is the Director of Science for [Plastic Oceans International](https://www.plasticoceans.org). He serves as the host of [Breaking It Down](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...), a new YouTube series from Plastic Oceans in which he simplifies science in fun and engaging way. He also conducts research at the Arizona State University (ASU) Biodesign Center for Environmental Health Engineering where he works on marine and aquatic plastic pollution, a major concern within many ecosystems and environments around the world. Their identification, fate and impact are only now beginning to be understood, and Charlie has developed several analytical tools to help improve this further.

Melati Wijsen

Melati Wijsen is a 19-year-old full time changemaker from Indonesia. She founded [Bye Bye Plastic Bags](https://www.byebyeplasticbags.com) when she was 12 years old with her younger sister and has been leading the movement driven by youth since 2013. She also started the people movement [One Island One Voice](https://www.oneislandonevoice.com) and the social enterprise, [Mountain Mamas](https://www.mountainmamas.com). Melati has spoken on world stages such as TED and the UN and has also been selected as FORBES top ten most inspiring women in the country. She graduated from high school one year early at the Green School and has since been honored by TIME as part of the most influential teens in the world along with CNN Heroes Young Wonders and FORBES 30 under 30. Today, Melati is excited about her new youth empowerment project; YOUTHTOPIA, empowering youth through meaningful and short peer to peer programs and providing them the tools they need to be young changemakers.

Billy Lombe

As Founder and CEO of the [Centre for Zero Waste & Development in Africa](https://www.centreforzerowasteanddevelopmentin africa.org), he has helped to train more than 400 teachers and community leaders in solid waste management, climate change and WASHE related issues. Additionally, he has engaged about 120 thousand pupils to be active environmental leaders in their communities. Billy is currently advocating for a total ban on single-use plastics in Zambia and the rest of Africa.

A recording of the webinar is posted here: <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-live-webinars/>