

MEMBER SURVEY ON HOSPITAL WASTE

[RESULTS ANALYSIS]



25 answers



from 10 European countries

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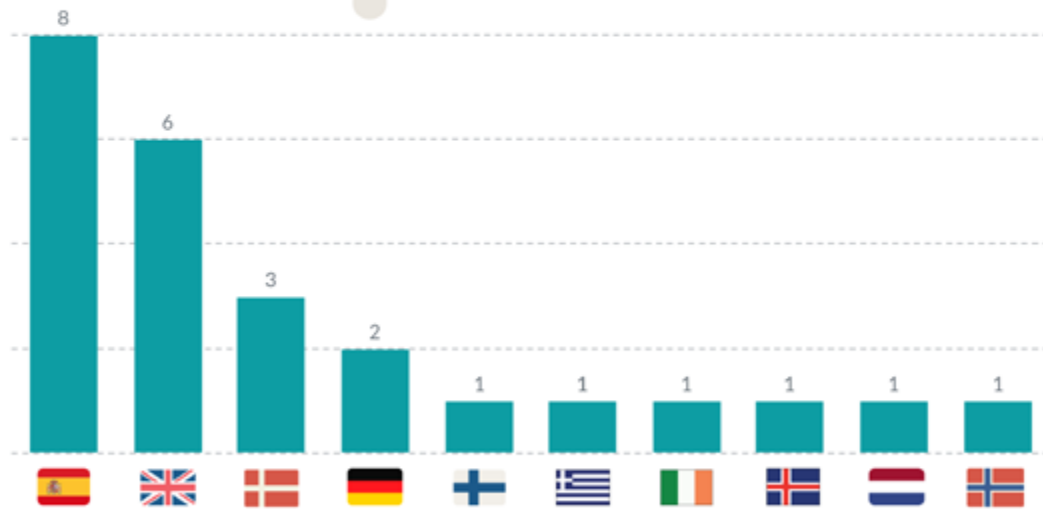
SURVEY



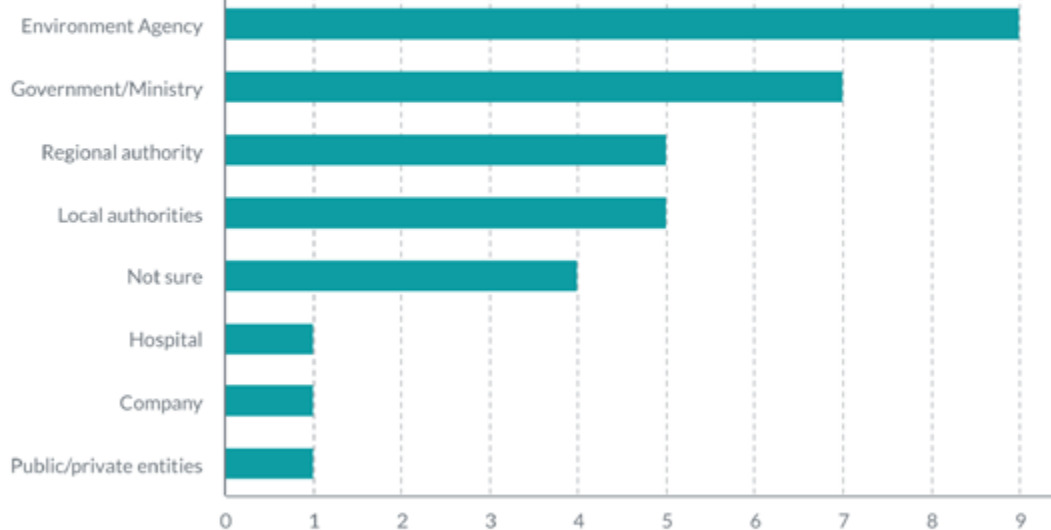
- 7 Sustainability/Environment Manager
- 4 Director of Services
- 3 Waste and Reuse/Resources Manager
- 2 Sustainability Officer
- 2 CEO
- 1 Energy Manager
- 1 Financial Director
- 1 R&D Manager
- 1 Director of Strategy and CSR
- 1 Consultant on Waste
- 1 Doctor



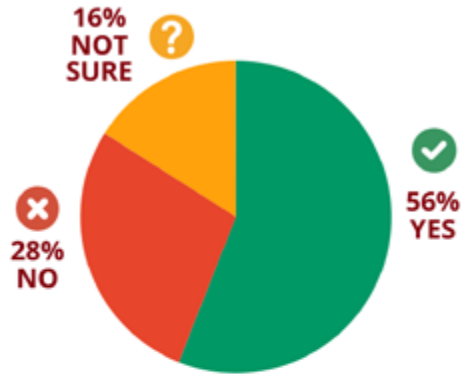
COUNTRY OF RESPONDENTS



WHICH AGENCIES REGULATE HEALTHCARE WASTE IN YOUR COUNTRY?



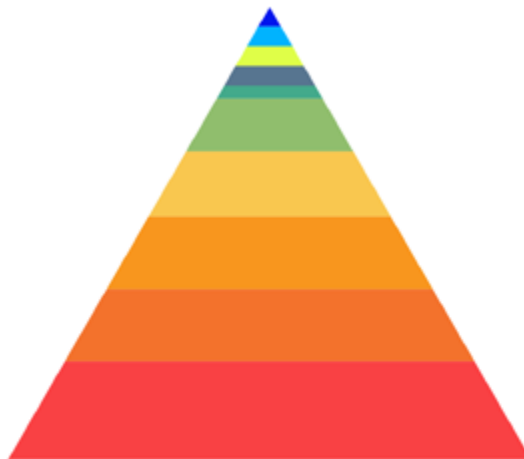
IS INCINERATION OF HEALTHCARE WASTE REQUIRED BY YOUR NATIONAL LEGISLATION?



DOES YOUR HOSPITAL HAVE AN INCINERATOR ON SITE?



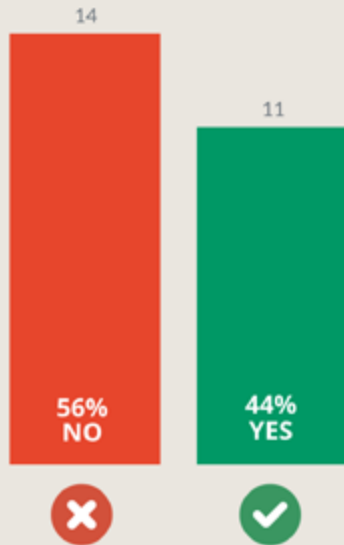
WHICH CATEGORIES OF WASTE DOES YOUR HOSPITAL SEND TO INCINERATION?



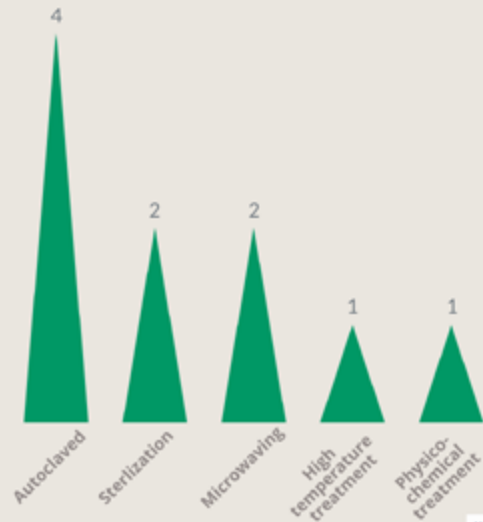
- 22% Infectious waste
- 16% Chemicals consisting of or containing hazardous substances
- 16% Expired drugs
- 15% Cytotoxic/ Cystatic drug residues
- 12% Body parts and organs, including blood bags and preserves
- 4% Non-infectious waste
- 4% Chemicals NOT consisting of or containing hazardous substances
- 4% Amalgam waste from dental care
- 4% Residues of expired reagents
- 3% Sharps



DOES YOUR HOSPITAL HAVE ACCESS TO OTHER TECHNOLOGIES TO TREAT INFECTIOUS WASTE?



PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS ON OTHER TECHNOLOGIES USED TO TREAT INFECTIOUS WASTE



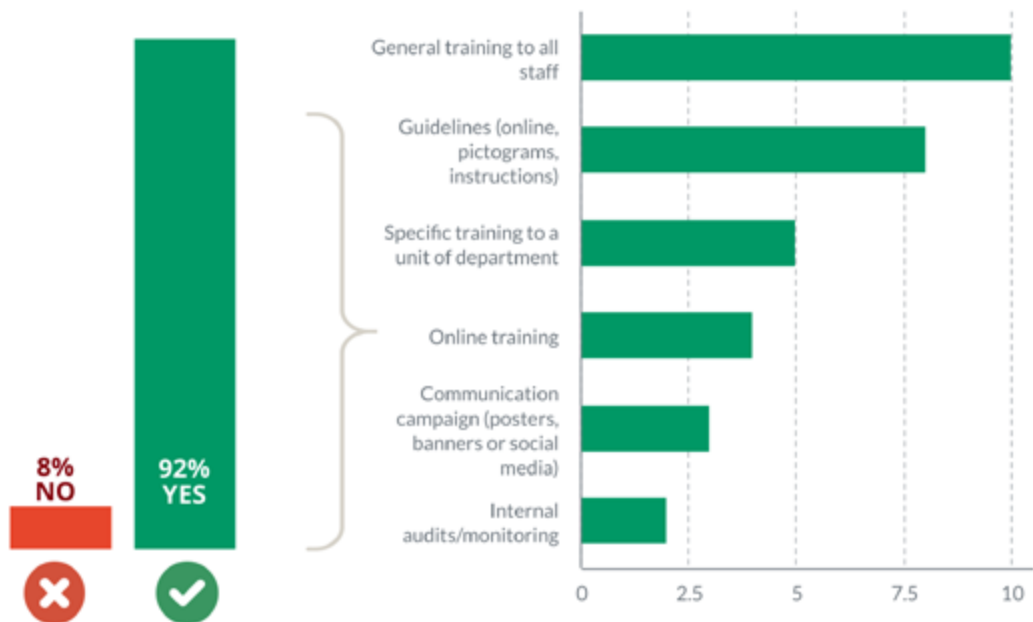
WHAT ARE THE MAIN CHALLENGES IN SWITCHING TO NON-INCINERATION TECHNOLOGIES?



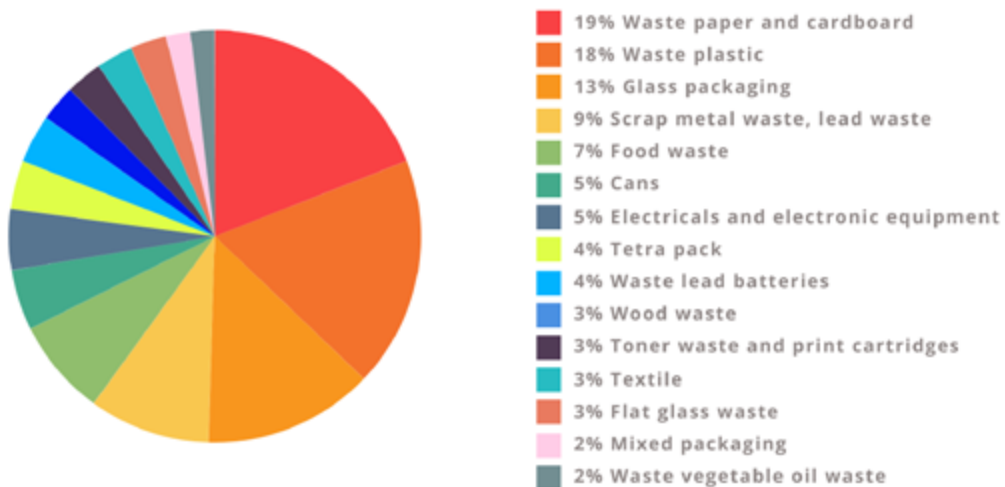
- Cost (price, facilities, running the system) (24%)
- Regulation (lack of regulation, lack of alternatives within the regulation etc.) (20%)
- Not sure (16%)
- No technical possibilities (8%)
- The waste management company does not have an alternative (4%)
- Health and environment risks (4%)
- None (4%)
- Environment agency licensing (4%)
- Contract change (4%)
- Supplier control (4%)
- Correct segregation (4%)
- Lack of expertise (4%)



DOES YOUR HOSPITAL PROVIDE TRAINING FOR STAFF ON WASTE SEGREGATION AND COLLECTION?



WHICH WASTE STREAMS GENERATED BY YOUR HOSPITAL ARE RECYCLED?



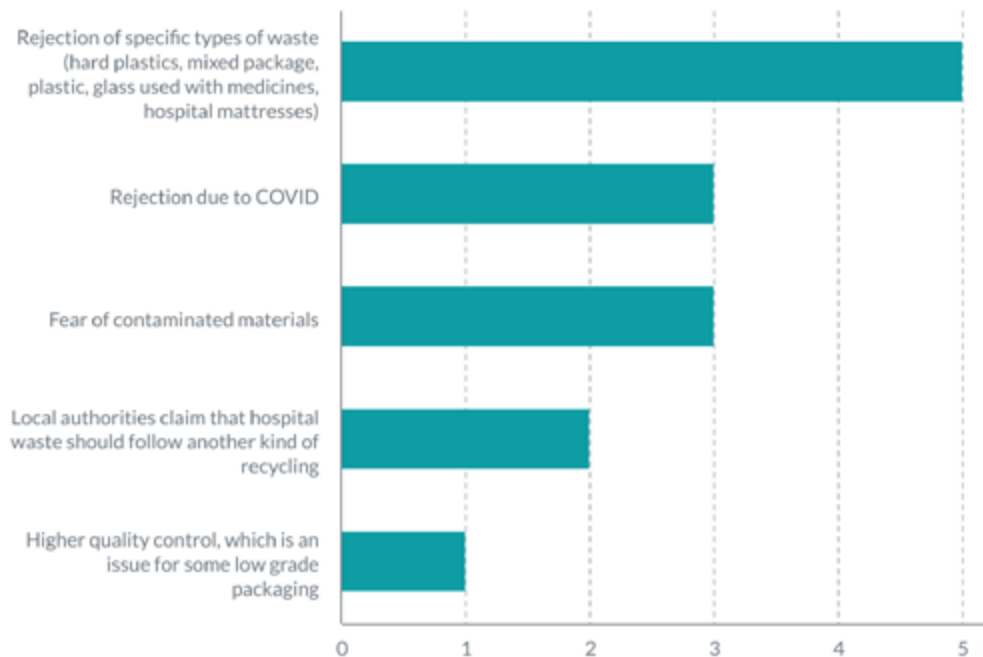
DO YOU RECYCLE PACKAGING FROM MEDICAL SUPPLIES?



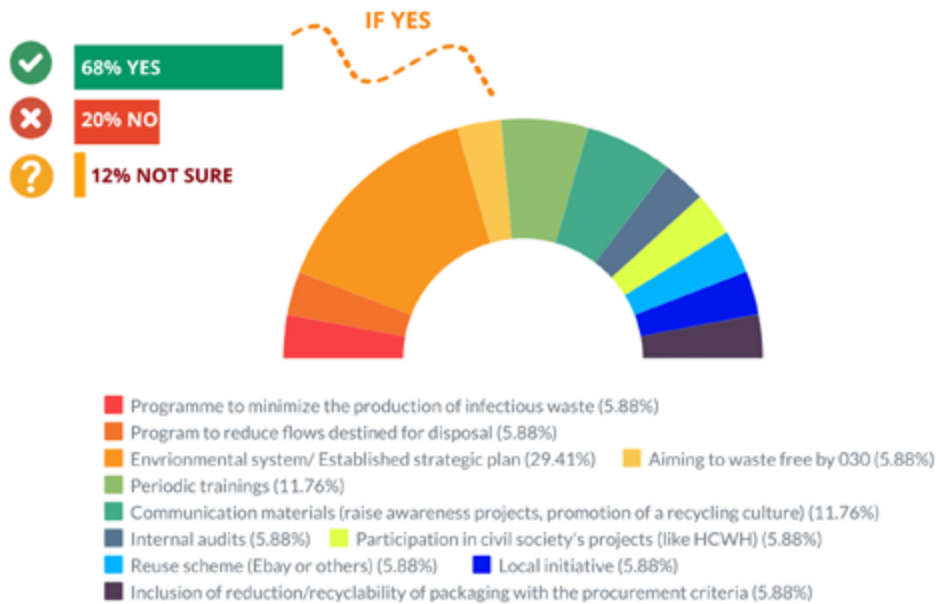
HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED RECYCLING COMPANIES REFUSING COLLECTION AND RECYCLING OF MATERIALS FROM HOSPITALS?



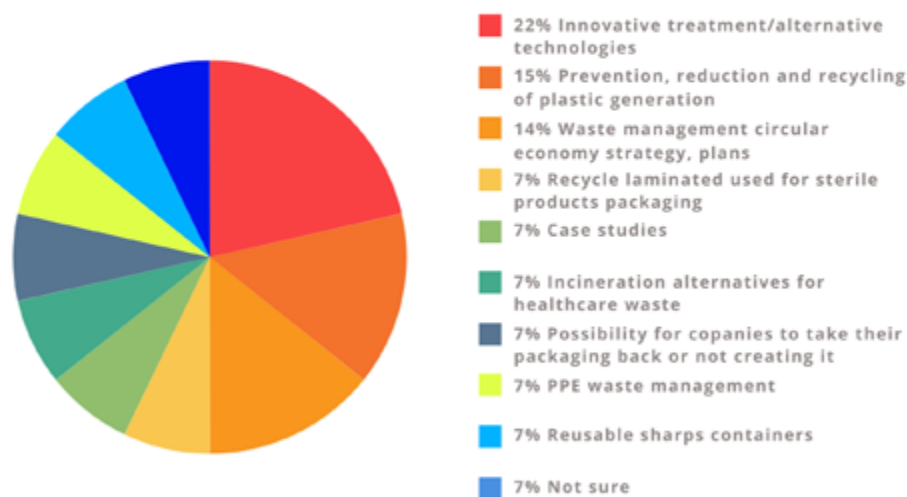
IF YES – PLEASE LIST/PROVIDE MORE DETAIL



DO YOU HAVE A DEDICATED PROGRAMME ON HEALTHCARE WASTE PREVENTION/ REDUCTION?



WHAT OTHER ASPECTS OF HEALTHCARE WASTE MANAGEMENT WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT?



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