



Innovative Waste Recycling Initiatives in Accra's Informal Settlements: Community Acceptance and Economic Impact Assessment

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Abstract

Innovative waste recycling initiatives have been implemented in several informal settlements across Africa to address environmental and economic challenges. The study employed a mixed-methods approach combining quantitative surveys with qualitative interviews to gather data from residents and waste management experts. Community acceptance was notably high at 85%, with significant positive impacts on local economies through job creation and reduced municipal waste disposal costs. Innovative recycling initiatives in Accra's informal settlements have demonstrated substantial benefits for both social cohesion and economic development. Further research should explore scaling up these successful models to other urban areas, with a focus on capacity building for local communities and stakeholders.

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