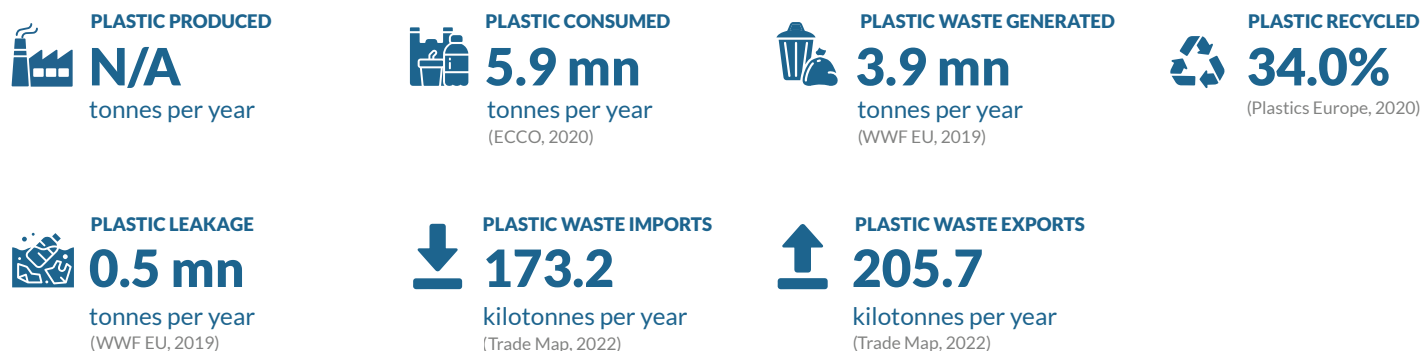




This country fact sheet presents the plastic material flow, policy, and investment landscapes, offering quick and easy access to a one-stop resource on tackling plastic pollution.

PLASTIC MATERIAL FLOW

This section provides an overview of the plastic material flow within the country, offering a snapshot of the plastic waste landscape.



POLICIES

This section highlights selected policies impacting plastic pollution in the country. Details on the status of development of the policy where relevant are also provided.

UPSTREAM

- **Tax on Single-Use Virgin Plastics**
 Tax of 0.45 cents per kg of virgin plastic in single-use plastic manufactured goods will be effective from mid-2024
 (Ughi E Nunziante Studio Legale, 2021)
- **Ban on Single-Use Plastics**
 Italy has delayed implementation of the EU Single-Use Plastic Directive and introduced exemptions
 (Rethink Plastic, 2022)

MIDSTREAM

- **Deposit Return System Legislation**
 Ministries to outline the implementing acts for introducing a deposit return system
 (Sustainable Plastics, 2022)

DOWNSTREAM

- **Waste Segregation**
 Regional obligations include ensuring separate collection of municipal waste with separate collection targets in place
 (European Environment Agency, 2022)
- **Extended Producer Responsibility**
 (Lovat Compliance, 2024)
- **Plastic Waste Trade Restrictions**
 An EU-wide policy restricting plastic exports to non-OECD countries, except for clean plastic waste sent for recycling
 (European Commission, 2021)
- **Recycled Content Mandates**
 Measures aimed at promoting the use of recycled plastic suitable for the direct food contact in beverage bottles
 (Food and Agriculture Organization, 2021)
- **Mandatory Recycling Targets**
 EU recycling target of 50% by weight for plastic packaging by 2025
 (European Environment Agency, 2022)
- **Disposal Bans/ Landfill Taxes**
 Nationwide landfill tax only applicable to residual waste
 (European Environment Agency, 2022)

■ Implemented
 ■ In progress
 ■ Not available



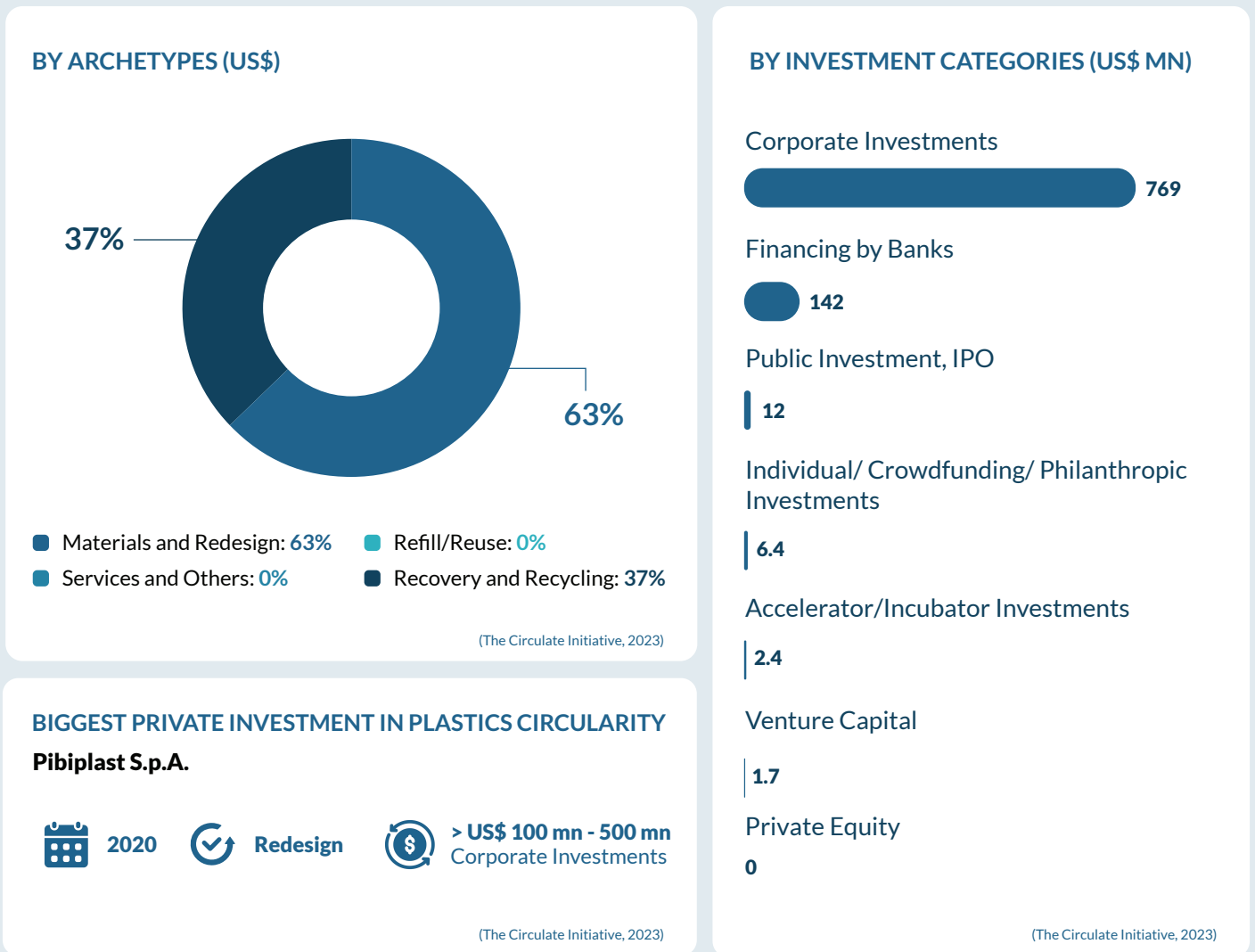
INVESTMENTS

This section provides a summary of public and private investments in waste management, plastic waste management, and plastics circularity. Further breakdown of private investments in plastics circularity solutions by archetypes and investment categories is also provided.

Investments in Waste and Plastic Waste Management (2018 - 2021)



Private Investments in Plastics Circularity (2018 - 6M 2023)



[Glossary and Other References](#)