

Unpicking Rag

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What we do

Our vision is a world without heart and circulatory diseases. We raise money to research cures and treatments, so we can beat heartbreak forever.



Combined, the global apparel and footwear industries account estimated 8% of the world's greenhouse gas emissions.



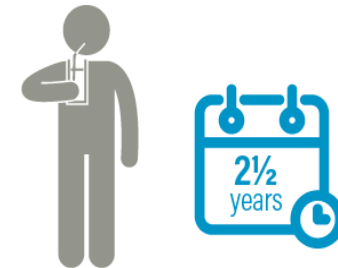
That's nearly **4 METRIC GIGATONS CO₂-eq.** almost as much as the total climate impact of the European Union!




It Takes 2,700 Liters of Water to Make One Cotton Shirt



Enough Water for One Person to Drink for 2½ Years



Source: National Geographic

 WORLD RESOURCES INSTITUTE

- ✓ £££millions for charities
- ✓ lower GHG emissions
- ✓ reducing use of water, land, oil

Supply chain stresses

- **Rag re-use**

complex political and economic market dynamics

- **Rag recycling**

limited demand and value

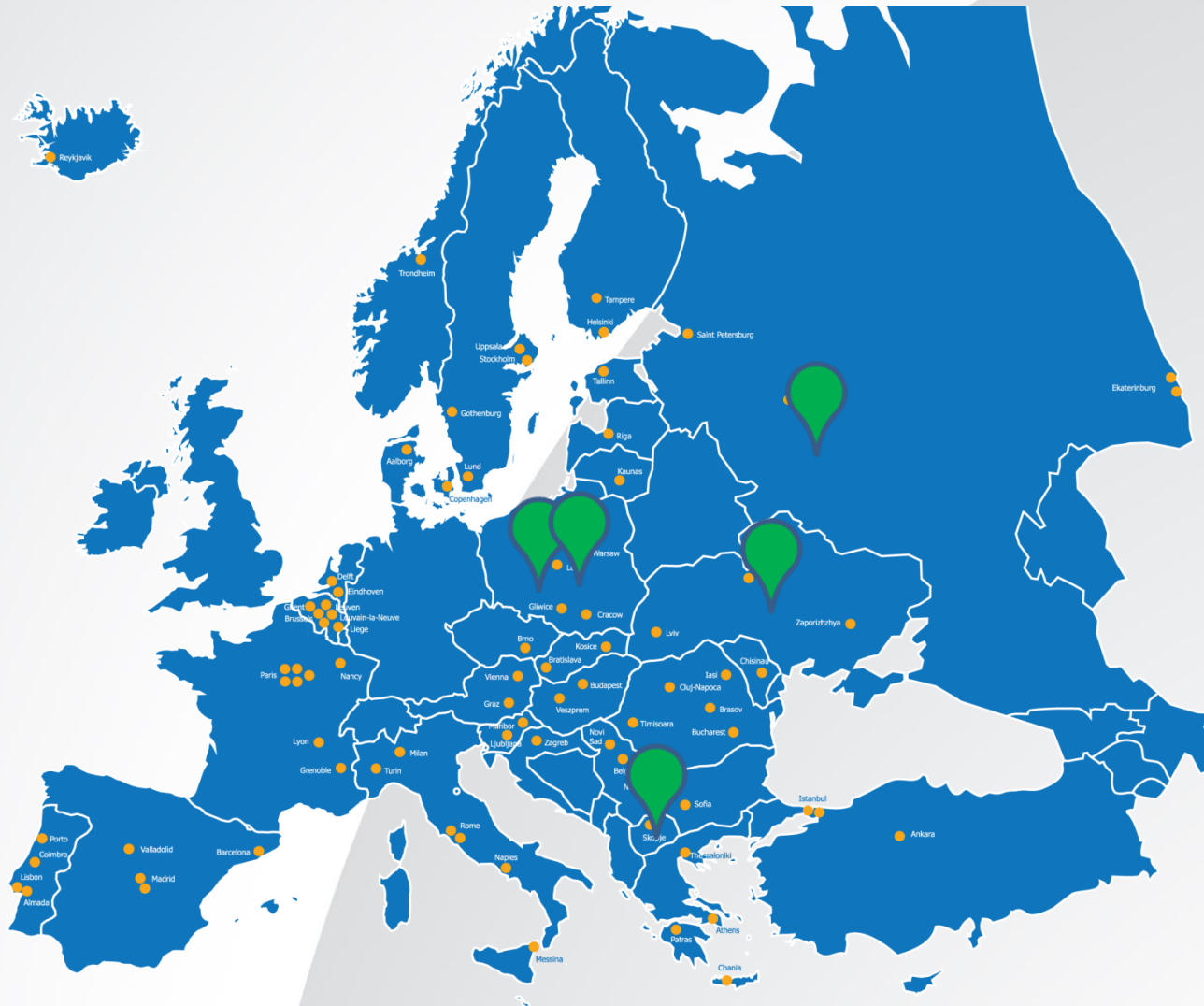
- **Rag rogue traders**

poor safety, employment, financial practices

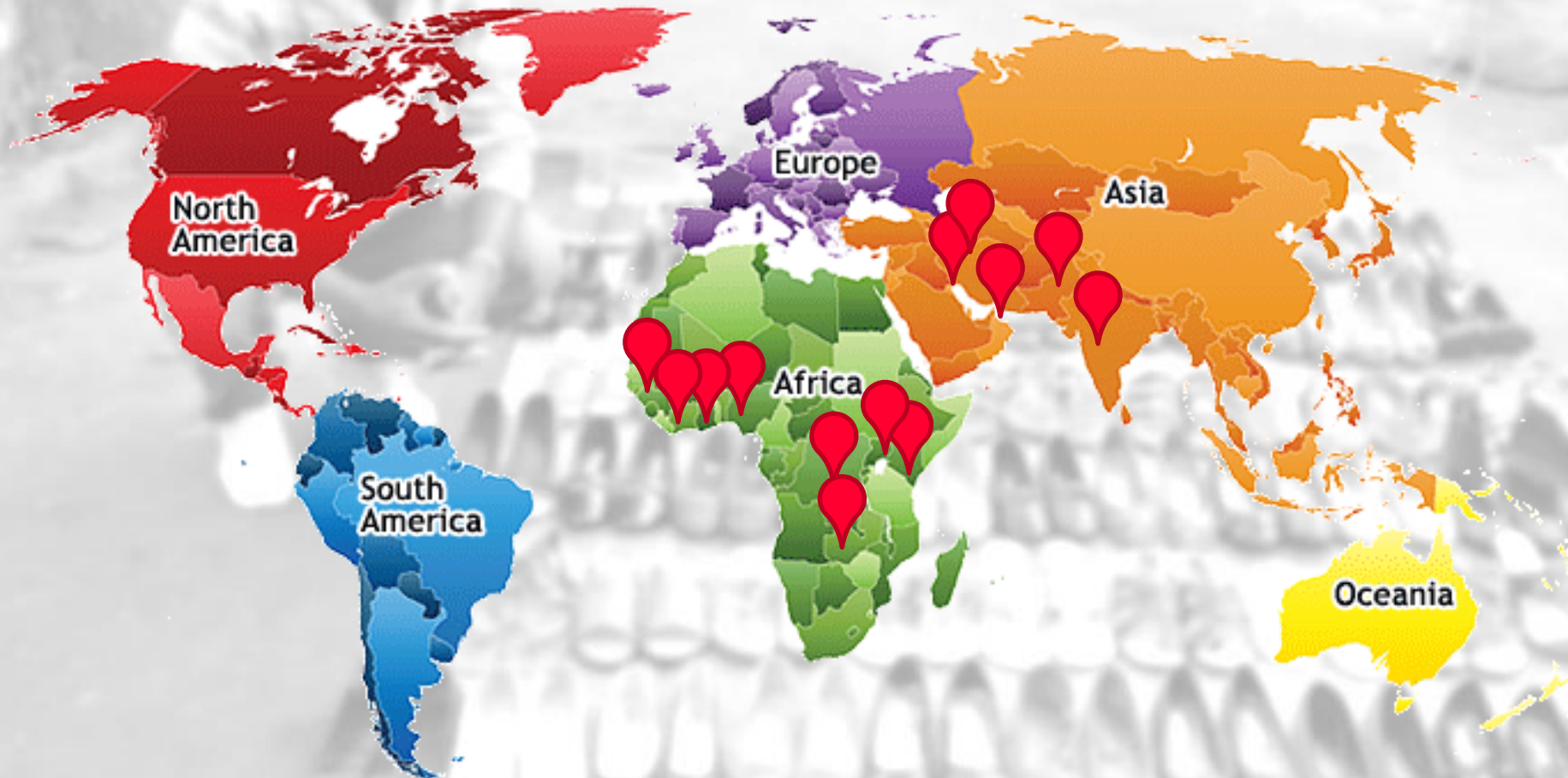
UK collectors and graders



Overseas graders and wholesalers



End Markets

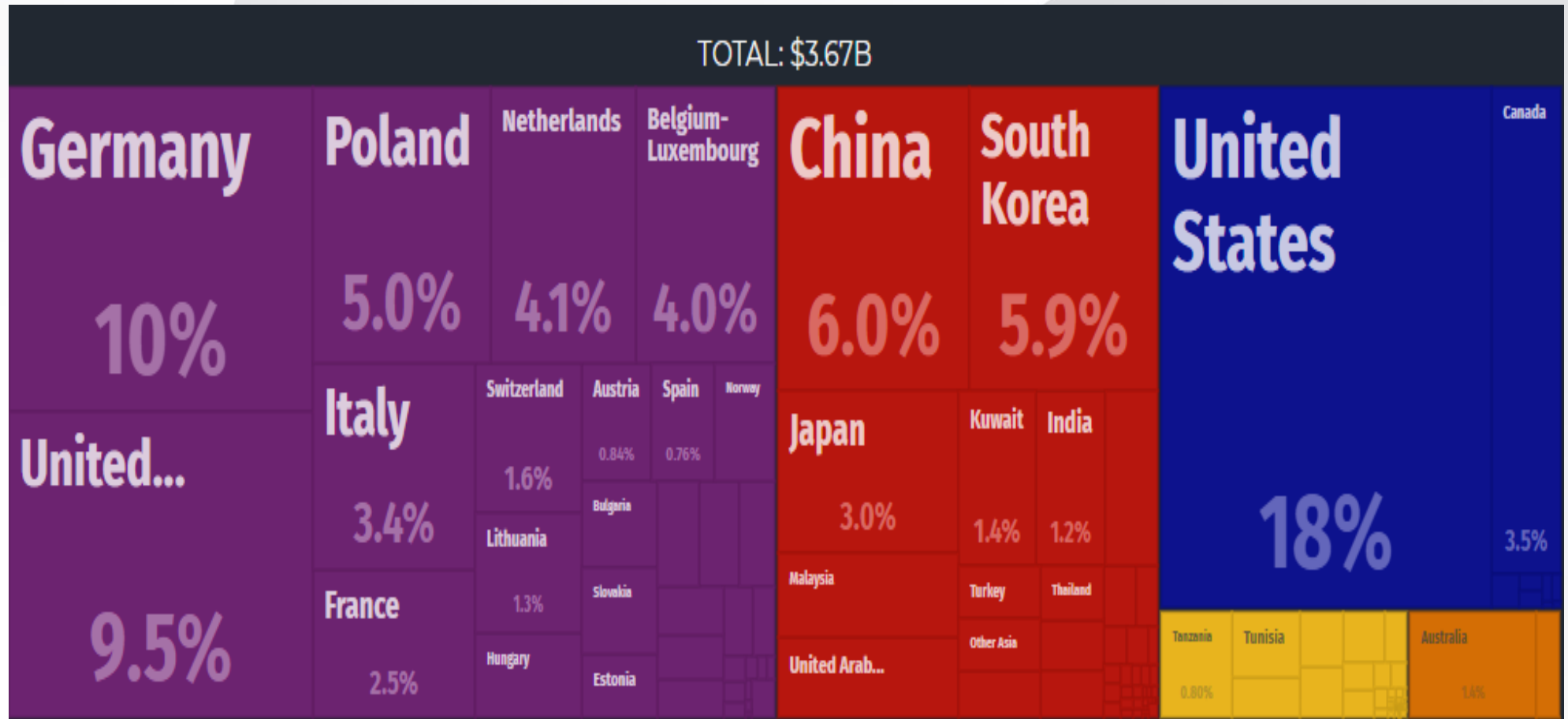


The Good News



The Bad News

Poor countries getting wealthier



Global used clothing exports

Maximising UK re-use



New sorting technologies



New recycling processes



- Whole yarn (closed loop)
- Chemical recycling (closed loop)
- Other products (open loop)





10 APRIL 2018

by Elizabeth Slow

Fatality at Erith textiles recycler

A post-mortem examination has commenced today following the death of a man at a textiles recycling facility in Erith on Friday (6 April)

31 OCTOBER 2017

by Hera Lorandos

Savanna Rags fined £650,000 after death of worker

onal has been prosecuted after an 76-year-old and Safety Executive (HSE) announced

1 Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, heard ned fatal injuries on 26 April 2016 after a rversed from the weighbridge and struck her

Thirty illegal workers arrested at textile recycler

By Michael Holder

A Mansfield textile recycling c immigration offenders were a sting operation.

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Background checks

- ✓ Company Details
- ✓ Directors
- ✓ 'Persons with Significant Control'
- ✓ Accounts
- ✓ Waste licencing
- ✓ Professional accreditation
- ✓ Competence - Managers and staff
- ✓ H&S Policy
- ✓ Risk Assessments, SSOW
- ✓ Accreditations, eg OHSAS18001, ISO14001
- ✓ HSE Enforcement Actions/Improvement Notices
- ✓ Site Safety
- ✓ Supply Chain H&S monitoring



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The logo for the Recyclatex Group, featuring a blue banner with the text "RECYCLATEX GROUP" in white, and a small circular icon to the left.

