Recycling in the Circular Economy Roles, Opportunities & Challenges

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AGENDA

Closing the loop of the circular economy requires a stronger European recycling sector, in order to be able to turn more waste into new resources and translate higher recycling targets into concrete business opportunities, at the same time improving environmental performances. For this purpose, it is important to have a consistent regulatory framework at European level, and to promote a clear understanding of the roles of all actors across the value chain. At the core of the circular economy debate, several issues still need to be tackled in view of a transition to an effective circular economy: what is actually recycling, what can be done to foster the market for secondary raw materials and reduce waste, which are the main challenges for recycling companies, many of them SMEs, across Europe.

This event will bring around the table European policy makers, experts, EU Institution officials, stakeholders, and representatives from the civil society and NGOS to discuss and exchange on these issues.

08:00-08:10	Welcoming and introduction by MEP Inés Ayala Sender
08:10-08:20	Julius Langendorff, Deputy Head of Unit "Waste Management and Recycling", DG ENVI, European Commission
08:20-08:30	Where is recycling in the circular economy? Mr. Dominique Maguin, President of the European Recycling Industries' Confederation (EuRIC)
08:30-08:40	Sustainable steel in the circular economy Jan Bollen, Environment Product Manager, ArcelorMittal EU
08:40-08:50	Current challenges for the tyre recycling sector Ettore Musacchi, President, The European Tyre Recycling Association
08:50-09:00	Waste prevention and recycling Ferran Rosa, Policy Officer, Zero Waste Europe
09:00-09:25	Questions and discussion with the audience
09:25-09:30	Conclusions by MEP Inés Ayala Sender

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