

EP INTERGROUP ON CLIMATE CHANGE, BIODIVERSITY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

BREAKFAST MEETING

Circular Economy and Packaging: The role of Extended Producer Responsibility

23 April 2015

08:00-09:30

MEP Salon

European Parliament, Brussels

Chaired by:

Sirpa Pietikäinen MEP

Rapporteur on the own-initiative report

“Resource Efficiency: Moving towards a Circular Economy”

AGENDA

The packaged goods supply chain has already made significant progress towards a Circular Economy, though there is potential to unlock further growth, investment and innovation with a harmonised and clear EU legislative framework.

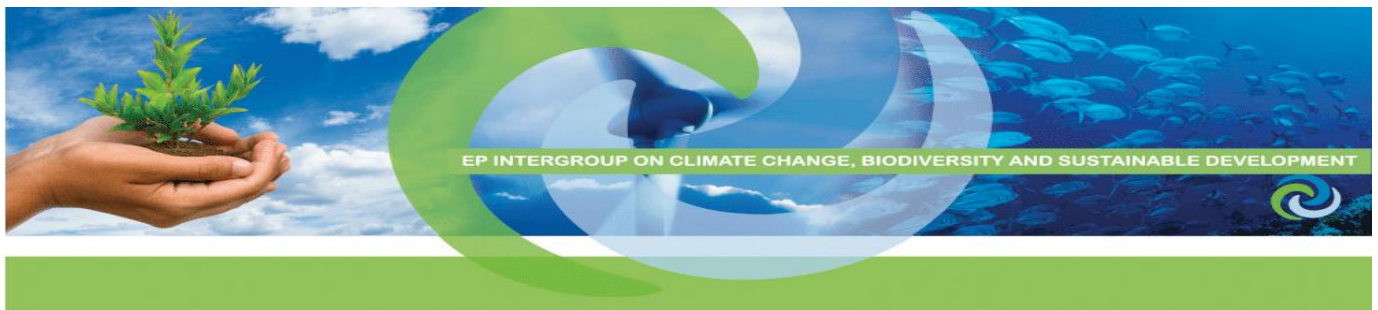
Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes to recycle and recover used packaging are established in most Member States. However, progress in packaging waste management and target achievement is uneven across the EU Member States and requires a coherent EU legislative framework for EPR to facilitate a smooth transition towards a Circular Economy.

This policy debate will bring together key MEPs and EU officials, high-level industry experts, municipalities and NGO representatives to exchange views on what should be addressed in EU legislative requirements for EPR for used packaging, which is a key policy tool to help Member States achieve packaging recycling and recovery targets.

The aim will be to assess how EU legislation can contribute to better implementation of EPR for used packaging in the Member States and offer recommendations to EU lawmakers.

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- 07:30-07:50 REGISTRATION - Altiero Spinelli building, Place du Luxembourg
- 08:00-08:05 **Welcome and introduction by Sirpa Pietikäinen MEP, Rapporteur on the Circular Economy Initiative**
- 08:05-08:30 **Statements by stakeholders:**
- Simon Webb, P&G
 - Vanya Veras, Municipal Waste Europe
 - Dana Mosora, Dow Chemicals
 - Stephane Ardit, European Environmental Bureau (EEB)
 - Martin Reynolds, Crown Europe and EUROOPEN Chairman
- 08:30-09:00 **Statements and comments by:**
- **MEP Mark Demesmaeker**, ECR Shadow Rapporteur on the own-initiative report "Resource Efficiency: Moving towards a Circular Economy"
 - **MEP Benedek Jávor**, the Greens, Responsible for the opinion of the ITRE Committee on the own-initiative report "Resource Efficiency: Moving towards a Circular Economy"
 - **MEP Miapetra Kumpula-Natri**, S&D, Member of the ITRE Committee
 - **Heidi Jern**, Member of Cabinet of Commission vice-President Jyrki Katainen
- 09:00-09:25 **Discussion**
- 09:25-09:30 **Closing remarks by Sirpa Pietikäinen MEP**

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