

# European Circular Economy Stakeholder Platform



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Dear circular economy community,

## Save the date: 2022 Circular Economy Stakeholder Conference

### ECESP Coordination Group at the Dubai Expo 2020!

On 17 and 18 January, the **ECESP Coordination Group showcased Europe's pioneering work in the field of the circular economy at the Dubai Expo 2020.**

Over one hundred participants attended the [Circular Europe Days](#) on-site, and more than two hundred online. In six sessions, representatives of the different ECESP Leadership groups presented what European companies and public authorities are doing to foster the transition to the circular economy. Five national pavilions (**The Netherlands, Slovenia, Finland, Poland and Ireland**) hosted the events, offering participants the opportunity to discover the host country's gastronomy and network with participants worldwide.

Led by ECESP Coordination Group Co-Chairs, **Ladeja Godina Košir** and **Freek van Eijk**, participants signed a **joint statement** reaffirming their objective at the Dubai Expo 2020 and their commitment to continue working together to harness the power of the circular economy for all stakeholders.

### News and events

#### 2022 Circular Economy Stakeholder Conference

[The Circular Economy Stakeholder Conference](#) is the main gathering of the European Circular Economy community. Join the 5<sup>th</sup> edition for a two-day conference on **1 and 2 of March 2022**, where the European Commission and the European Economic and Social Committee joined forces with the French EU Council Presidency to organise this flagship stakeholder conference. Stay tuned for updates on registration (opening soon!) and other details!

#### Re-think – Circular Economy Forum 2022

[Re-think Circular Economy Forum Milan 2022](#) on **10 and 11 February 2022** aims to provide a vision on macro-trends, possible evolutionary paths, and key projects concerning the Circular Economy both at national and international levels. Over the two-day forum, corporations, start-ups, research bodies and institutional actors will present the projects they are implementing and supporting at different levels. Do not forget to register!

#### New calls for projects under LIFE concerning textile waste & compost from collected organic waste

The final part of the LIFE 2021 call for proposals is open until **10 March 2022**, with plenty of specific projects related to Circular Economy & Quality of Life and Nature & Biodiversity. More info [here!](#)

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## #EUCircularTalks

Did you participate in an #EUCircularTalks in 2021? We want to hear from you! Fill in the survey [here](#). You can read the [final reports](#) or watch the [recordings](#), and feel free to join the online [discussion](#)!

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## Knowledge and strategies

### Progress towards preventing waste in Europe: the textile case

To break the link between waste generation and economic growth, better known as **decoupling**, the European Environment Agency has published a [report](#) assessing the progress made in achieving the main objective of waste prevention and related legislation.

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## Good practices

### Yuman Village: a circular economy shopping centre in Brussels

[Yuman Village](#) is a temple of the circular economy, offering a unique 'one stop shopping' experience with all products in line with circular economy principles (recycling, upcycling, second hand, eco-design).

### SIGUREC: Smart machines for recyclable waste

[SIGUREC](#) is the most advanced household waste collection service currently operating in Romania. SIGUREC machines are often located in supermarket car parks and collect various types of waste. After receiving the waste, the machine **distributes vouchers** according to waste types and quantities, which can be redeemed in partner stores.

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## Circular updates from the European Commission

### European Commission call for tenders on stakeholder representation in the EU Textile Agenda

Stakeholder engagement is effective in supporting the transformation of the way Europe produces and consumes fashion, by encouraging the use and reuse of fashion, promoting sustainable fashion, and making reuse and second-hand fashion fashionable. This call also aims to increase the representation of specific stakeholder groups in the development of the EU textile agenda and implementation process. The deadline for [submitting offers](#) is **09 February 2022**.

### Apply for the circular economy related R&I projects in the 2022 Horizon Europe Calls

You have still time to [apply](#) for topics related to Circular economy and bioeconomy sectors under Cluster 6. The deadline is **15 February 2022**.

### Digital Europe Programme first calls for proposals are open for submission

The Digital Europe Programme ([DIGITAL](#)) is a new EU funding programme focused on bringing digital technology to businesses, citizens and public administrations. The calls for proposals are now open for submissions for Digital Product Passport: sustainable and circular systems. The deadline is **22 February 2022**.

**Public consultation on a 'Policy framework on biobased, biodegradable and compostable plastics'**

In preparation for the EU-wide policy framework on biobased, biodegradable and compostable plastics, scheduled to be adopted in the summer of 2022, the European Commission is sounding out citizens, consumers and expert stakeholders. The [consultation is open for feedback](#) until **15 March 2022**.

Are you making the circular economy happen? Can your project inspire others?

[Share](#) your good practice and connect with the circular economy community!