

Dutch-Polish Seminar on Circular Economy

The Netherlands has set itself the goal of a fully circular economy by 2050. An economy without waste, where everything runs on reusable, recyclable and renewable products and raw materials. This goal brings significant challenges and opportunities to different sectors in the industry and society. Fortunately, there are many proven circular best practices in various parts of the supply chain in both the Netherlands and Poland. This short event offers you the opportunity to learn from the experience and knowledge of our guest of honour, minister Stientje van Veldhoven, Dutch minister for environment and a strong driving force behind circular economy in the Netherlands and Europe. We also welcome representatives from Polish government and some frontrunning companies in the sectors of plastics and the built environment, who will talk about their ambitions and the innovative business models, production processes, material use and other innovations they developed in their effort to build a more circular and climate neutral industry.

AGENDA

10:30-10:50 Opening & Introduction Panel

10:30-10:35 Opening by moderator

10:35-10:40 Short welcome

10:40-10:50 Virtual EXPO Introduction

10:50-11:40 Panel discussion on Plastics

10:50-10:55 Setting the scene about plastics in Poland

10:55-11:00 Polish Plastics Pact: the initiative, the network

11:00-11:05 Design for circularity: reusability, recyclability, renewability

11:05-11:10 Closing the loop: high value use of plastic recyclates

11:10-11:40 Panel discussion / Q&As

Coffee Break (5 min)

11:40-11:45 Video presentation on circular economy

11:45-12:15 Interview on Advancing Circular Economy in Europe

11:45-12:15 Interview: state of play, challenges and opportunities

12:15-13:00 Panel discussion on Material Flows in the Built Environment

12:15-12:20 Setting the scene about the built environment

12:20-12:25 Material flows in the city – life cases

12:25-12:30 Circular concepts in Building & Construction

12:30-12:35 Demolition: high value collection, sorting & recycling

12:35-13:00 Panel discussion / Q&As

13:00 Closing

Richard Stephens, Poland Today

Daphne Bergsma, Dutch Ambassador in Poland

Dr hab. Joanna Kulczycka, Instytut GSMiE

Małgorzata Greszta, Polish Plastic Pack

Jean-Francois Etienne, Unilever

Ton van der Giessen, Van Werven

Moderator: **Dr Agnieszka Szyk**, INNOWO

Stientje van Veldhoven, Minister for the Environment

Ewa Kowalska-Ocneau, WSP Poland

Michał Gelata, The Municipality of Kraków

Rob Oomen, Madaster

Barthel van Dinther, Van Liempd Demolition Works

Moderator: **Richard Stephens**, Poland Today

The meeting will take place on June 30th, 2021 in a hybrid form - participants can join both online and in person from the studio in Warsaw -

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