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 Richard Stephens, Poland Today
10:35-10:40 Short welcome Daphne Bergsma, Dutch Ambassador in Poland
10:40-10:50 Opening speech Robert Tomanek, Vice-Minister of Development
10:50-10:55 Setting the scene about plastics in Poland Dr hab. Joanna Kulczycka, Instytut GSMiE
10:55-11:00 Polish Plastics Pact: the initiative, the network Małgorzata Greszta
11:00-11:05 Design for circularity: reusability, recyclability, renewability Thor Tummers, Unilever
11:05-11:10 Closing the loop: high value use of plastic recyclates Ton van der Giessen, Van Werven
11:10-11:40 Panel discussion / Q&As
Moderator: Dr Agnieszka Sznyk, INNOWO

Coffee Break (5 min)

11:40-11:45 Video presentation on circular economy
11:45-12:15 Interview on Advancing Circular Economy in Europe Stientje van Veldhoven, Minister for the Environment
11:45-12:15 Interview: state of play, challenges and opportunities
12:15-13:00 Panel discussion on Material Flows in the Built Environment Ewa Kowalska-Ocneau, WSP Poland
12:15-12:20 Setting the scene about the built environment Michal Gelata, The Municipality of Kraków
12:20-12:25 Material flows in the city – life cases Volker Wessels
12:25-12:30 Circular concepts in Building & Construction Ad van Liempd Sloopbedrijven
12:30-12:35 Demolition: high value collection, sorting & recycling
12:35-13:00 Panel discussion / Q&As
13:00 Closing

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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