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# Circular Economy Newsletter



We are pleased to share the **April 2023** edition of the **EuRIC Newsletter** featuring the latest updates from us as well as regulatory & policy developments of interest to the recycling sector.

## EuRIC UPDATES



## Successful first EuRIC conference on tyre recycling

EuRIC gathered more than 100 participants, from policymakers, recyclers and NGOs in Brussels on 18 April 2023 for its **first conference dedicated to tyre recycling**. This successful event enabled discussions on how to boost tyre circularity along the value chain, as well as upcoming legislation affecting the industry.



## EuRIC participates at ISRI 2023 Convention

EuRIC participated at the [2023 ISRI Convention & Exhibition](#) in Nashville, Tennessee and presented the **latest regulatory changes and proposals stemming from the EU Green Deal**. The convention participants were particularly interested in the potential changes in trade of recycled materials stemming from the revision of the Waste Shipment Regulation.



## EuRIC spoke at the Waste Management Europe Conference

As a partner association, EuRIC participated in the Waste Management Europe Conference in Bergamo from 18 to 20 April. Maria Vera-Duran, EuRIC's Project Officer, took part in the panel discussion "Plastic and Paper Waste - Next Developments and Regulations", where she spoke about the **latest developments for paper and plastic recycling**.



## Delegation from Indonesia visited EuRIC

A delegation from Indonesia composed of **representatives from the Ministry of Industry, Ministry of Trade and APKI, the Indonesian Pulp and Paper Association** visited EuRIC on 13 April to discuss the revision of the Waste Shipment Regulation. The vivid exchange lasted two hours and focused on the current state of play regarding recovered paper trade between the EU and Indonesia as well as the **future impacts once the revised Waste Shipment Regulation will enter into force**.

On 19 April 2023, EuRIC, represented by Antoine Stilo, attended the very successful 73rd Annual Conference of VDM in Berlin. It was a great opportunity to meet the VDM team in person and to hear VDM members share their experiences from a company perspective.



## New EuRIC position paper on the Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation

EuRIC has published a position paper "**Legislative drivers for the circularity of packaging - A review on the measures of the EC's proposal for a Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation**".

This paper outlines the key cross-cutting positions of the European Recycling Industry on the European Commission's public consultation on "Reducing packaging waste – review of rules" and the proposal for a Regulation on Packaging and Packaging Waste (PPWR).

In parallel, the publication of the position paper was also the subject of a press release to the media and a post on EuRIC's social networks.

[Read the position paper](#)



## **EuRIC signed a joint letter setting out recommendations for an environmentally ambitious Construction Products Regulation (CPR).**

Together with 22 other organisations, EuRIC is a signatory to a letter addressed to Ministry representatives in the Council and Environment & Energy attachés, calling for ambitious environmental provisions for construction products in the revised Construction Products Regulation (CPR).

[Read the joint letter](#)



**EU POLICY & REGULATORY UPDATES**



## EU Environmental Taxonomy

The European Commission publishes draft delegated regulation on EU taxonomy criteria for economic activities contributing to environmental objectives. A **call for feedback** is open from **5 April until the 3 May 2023**.

[Read more and give feedback](#)

### ESPR

European Parliament [publishes](#) Committee on Industry, Research and Energy's opinion on proposal for Regulation establishing framework for setting ecodesign requirements for sustainable products

### CRM

European Commissioner Breton [answers](#) question [tabled](#) by MEP Izabela-Helena Kloc (PL, ECR) on coking coal and critical raw materials list.

### Biodiversity

On 19 April 2023, the European Parliament [adopts](#) new law to fight global deforestation. This new law obliges companies to ensure products sold in the EU have not led to deforestation or forest degradation. **Rubber was included among products covered by the new rules.**

### Textiles

European Parliament [publishes](#) Committee on Internal Market and Consumer Protection's opinion on EU Strategy for Sustainable and Circular Textiles

### Batteries

Environment Commissioner Sinkevičius [answers](#) question [tabled](#) by MEP Gianna Gancia (IT, ID) on treatment of portable and light means of transport batteries in new regulation on batteries.

### Basel Convention COP

The sixteenth meeting of the [Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention](#) (BC COP-16) will be held in Geneva from 1-12 May 2023. EuRIC will be present in Geneva to represent the views of the European recycling industry during all negotiations.



## The 2023 LIFE Programme call for proposal is now open!

LIFE is the only EU Programme dedicated exclusively to the environment nature conservation and climate action. Under the "circular economy and quality of life" sub programme, LIFE has just opened a call for projects on the area of recovery of resources from waste, covering most of the streams (WEEE, batteries, ELV, construction waste, plastics, textiles, CRMs, packaging...).

**The deadline for submission is 6 September 2023.**

[More information](#)

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## METABUILDING workshop

METABUILDING workshop "**Enhancing Circularity in the Construction Sector**" took place on 26 April 2023 at the BluePoint, Brussels. Aiming to **foster the cross-sectoral cooperation**, the event brought together stakeholders from the construction and recycling sectors, including industry associations, RTOs, policymakers, companies, and SMEs.

[Agenda and pictures of the event](#)



## CIMPA upcoming participation at the Plastic Recycling Show Europe

The European project CIMPA will participate in the **Plastic Recycling Show Europe**,



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which will take place on 10-11 May 2023 in Amsterdam. Come and say hello to the CIMPA team at booth K23!

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## PROMOTED EVENTS



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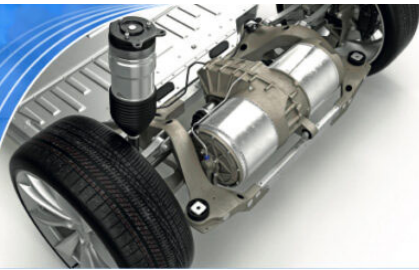
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International Automotive Recycling Congress  
June 21 — 23, Geneva, Switzerland



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