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Circular Economy Newsletter



We are pleased to share the **69th** edition of the **EuRIC Newsletter** featuring the latest key information regarding EU regulatory, institutional, and policy developments of interest to the recycling sector.

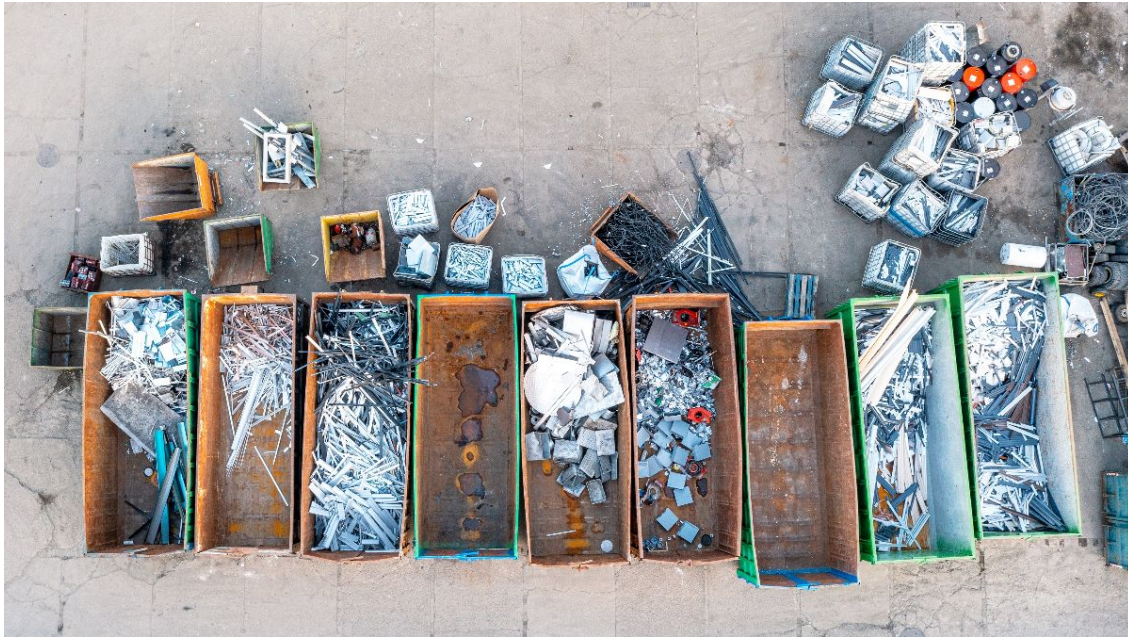
This month we are doing things a little bit differently. You can now read our complete newsletter in email format rather than having to download a PDF. We hope you find this a more accessible way of enjoying our newsletter. Your thoughts are always welcome, and you may contact Ben Kennard at bkennard@euric-aisbl.eu if you have any feedback.

EuRIC UPDATES



EU proposal to restrict microplastic use from tyre recycling

The European Commission has moved forward with its [proposal to restrict certain microplastics](#). As it currently stands, the proposal would ban microplastics for use as granular infill from tyre recycling. EuRIC reacted strongly in condemning the proposal in a press release (see below) and is actively advocating our sector's position in cooperation with the [Mechanical Tyre Recycling \(MTR\)](#) branch. The proposal will now be scrutinised by the REACH competent authorities in EU Member-States. *|FNAME|*



EU waste shipment rules pose serious risk to European recycling

EuRIC has issued a stark warning to EU policymakers as proposed waste shipment rules risk dramatically curtailing European recycling. The proposal is currently being scrutinised by the European Parliament ahead of a key vote in November. Following input from a survey to members, EuRIC has prepared a [one-pager](#) highlighting the proposal's problems and how these can be rectified to incentivise rather than hamper recycling. We have also reacted strongly in a press release (see below) together with a social media campaign with support from members.

[Read the EuRIC press release >>>](#)

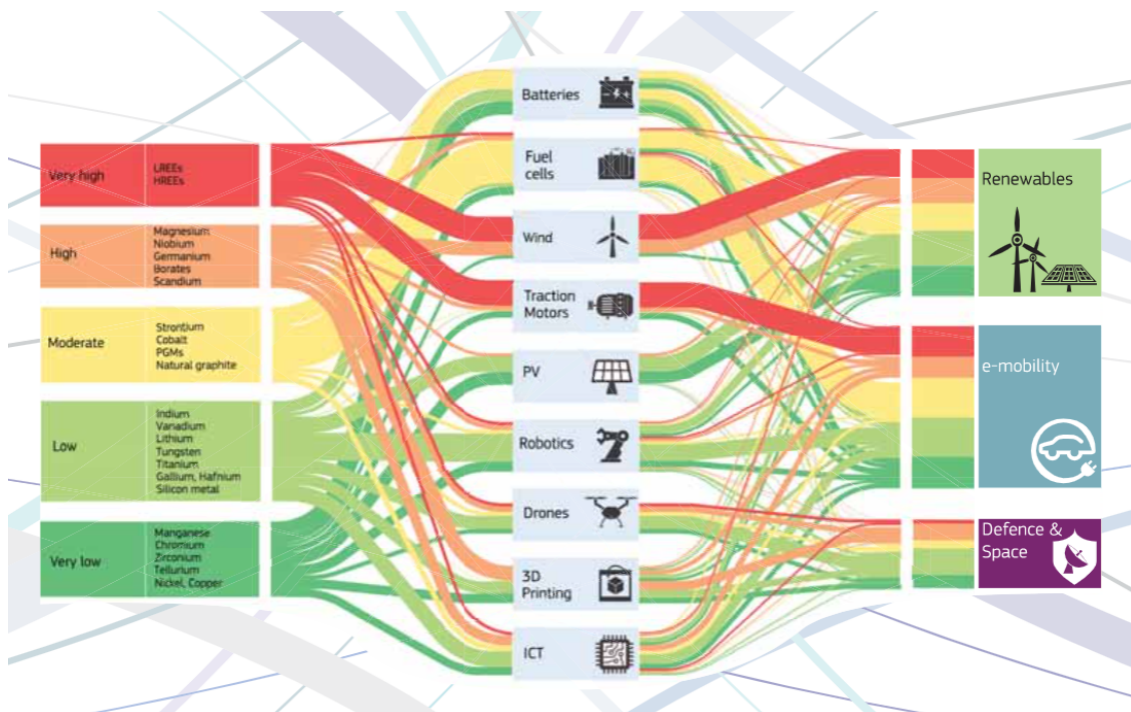


EuRIC warns of danger posed by sky-rocketing energy

As energy prices continue to rise exponentially in Europe, EuRIC has raised the red flag to policymakers of the pressures posed to the recycling industries by soaring energy costs. In a press release (see below), we emphasised the importance of financial aid to support the sector during this exceptional period to prevent operational shutdowns and company closures.

[Read the EuRIC press release >>>](#)

POLICY UPDATES



EU Critical Raw Materials Act 2022

The European Commission President has announced a new legislative proposal – the **Critical Raw Material Act** – to tackle the evolving dependency on raw materials from outside the EU and to ensure – more resilient supply chains. As part of the initiative, the EU will identify strategic projects all along the supply chain, including recycling, and will build up strategic reserves where supply is at risk. EuRIC will be monitoring the file closely for further developments.

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Non-recycled plastic packaging

European Commission launches feedback period on non-recycled plastic packaging

Plastic waste

OECD publishes report on quantifying environmentally relevant and circular plastic innovation. [More >>>](#)

Packaging & packaging waste

European Commission publishes minutes of technical meeting of waste committee responsible for the Packaging and Packaging Waste directive. [More >>>](#)

Recycling building materials

European Commission publishes news article about opportunities and limitations of recycling residential building materials. [More >>>](#)

Ship recycling

European Commission has opened a public consultation on requirements for EU ships to be dismantled at their end of life in approved yards that meet health & environmental standards. [More >>>](#)

Ecodesign

European Commission opens call for evidence as regards ecodesign and energy labeling requirements for mobile phones and tablets. [More >>>](#)

Batteries

Joint Research Centre's comprehensive review and classification of unit operations with assessment of outputs quality in lithium-ion battery recycling. [More >>>](#)

Paper recycling

German Ministry for Environment publishes press release (in German) on funding for pilot projects on recycling of waste paper. [More >>>](#)

EU FUNDED PROJECTS



Workshop
Innovative solutions for the circularity of plastic films

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REGISTER NOW FOR CIMPA WORKSHOP

EuRIC kindly invites its members to a public event in the framework of its involvement in the CIMPA project. [CIMPA](#) seeks to develop innovative solutions for the circularity of

The event will take place on **Wednesday, 2 November 2022** at the **BluePoint** in Brussels (same building as EuRIC's office).

[More info & registration >>>](#)



METABUILDING unites in Rome

As part of developing a new digital platform, Metabuilding partners met to discuss how to involve more stakeholders from the construction, recycling, additive manufacturing, nature-based solutions and digital sectors. Learn more about the projects supported by Metabuilding [here >>>](#)

EuRIC joins EU-funded project on robotics & battery waste

EuRIC has joined the advisory board of the EU-funded Grinner project in Athens on 21 September. EuRIC will support the consortium by advising on changes in societal, regulatory, and stakeholder priorities. Learn more about Grinner [here >>>](#)



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