



Virtuous Circles in Portugal

2-3 May 2019

Tivoli Congress Centre, Lisbon

Thursday, MAY 2

15h30 – 17h00 Opening of Virtuous Circles Event with Citizens' Dialogue on circular economy

- Opening address by Minister Fernandes,
- Keynote address by VP Katainen
- Keynote address by Mayor Medina
- Panel discussion with questions from audience. Main themes:
 - moving from waste to resource management
 - the new plastics economy
 - a fair transition – jobs and skills
 - what can citizens do?
 - what can cities and regions do?
 - tackling food waste
 - sustainable products

Friday, 3rd May

Moderator: Mia Forbes Pirie

9.00-10.30 Plenary

“Government, Regions and Industry – moving together towards a circular economy”

Room Castello Lopes (1st floor).

- *Opening by Minister of Environment and Energy Transition, João Pedro Matos Fernandes “From Words to Action - The National Circular Economy Strategy”*
- *Peter Jones - EUNOMIA – “Climbing the Waste Hierarchy to the Circular Top”*
- *David Fitzsimons, European Remanufacturing Council – “Retaining value for industrial competitiveness”*
- *Jean Tilly or Patrick Dorvil – European Investment Bank – “Mobilising the Right Resources for circular business”*

Q&A Discussion

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

11.00- 13.00 Break-out sessions

Workshop 1. “Business as Unusual” - Circular Potential for Small Businesses

Moderator: William Neale (European Commission) - Room Condes de Sucena

a. Economic and profits potential

- *Ana Silva, Director of Sustainability for Tintex*
- *Teresa Jorge Comissão de Coordenação e Desenvolvimento Regional do Centro*
- *Eng. Jaime Braga, Portuguese Industry Confederation*

Panel Discussion with audience “shout outs”

b. Social, employment and community potential

- *José Melo Bandeira, Smart Waste Portugal*
- *Jay Navarro, City of The Hague & Just Common People*
- *João Wengorovius Meneses, Secretário Geral, Business Council for Sustainable Development (BCSD) Portugal*

Panel Discussion with audience “shout outs”

Workshop 2. “Getting the economics right” - effective waste management:

Moderator: Mia Forbes Pirie - Room Castello Lopes

a. Extended Producer Responsibility

- *Dr^a Ana Isabel Trigo de Morais, Sociedade Ponto Verde*
- *Joachim Quoden – General Director of the EU Extended Producer Responsibility Alliance (EXPRA)*

Panel Discussion with audience “shout outs”

b. Regional perspectives on waste management

- *Maria José Nunes, Regional Development Coordination Commission for the Algarve Region (CCDR-Algarve)*
- *Josep Maria Tost i Borràs Agencia de Residus de Catalunya*

Panel Discussion with audience “shout outs”

13.00-14.00 Lunch (Buffet)

14.00-14.30 Plenary

“Urban and Regional Agendas for Circular Economy”

Room Castello Lopes.

- Mayor of Lisbon, Fernando Medina “Circular Lisbon: Europe’s Green Capital 2020” (TBC)
- Anita Lindahl Trosdahl, Oslo Mayor’s Office “Circular Oslo: Europe’s Green Capital 2019”
- Nuno Bento, from CCDR-Lisbon Region. Presentation of the Regional strategies for Circular economy of the Regional Coordination Committees

14.30-16.30 Break-out sessions

(including coffee breaks)

Workshop 3. Circular Discussion Pitches:

Moderator: William Neale (European Commission) - Room Castello Lopes.

1. Circular economy for Industrial Competitiveness

- *Adriana Mano, Zouri startup working on using plastic waste for footwear production*
- *António Lorena, 3Drivers, Portuguese Circular Economy consultants*

Reactions from David Fitzsimmons (European Remanufacturing Council) and discussion with audience

2. Circular economy for Regions

- *Sara Albino, Buinho Fab Lab (Alentejo), working on the interior of Portugal on community level;*
- *Ana Ilhéu, EDIA – public company for Alqueva Region Development,*

- *João Oliveira Miguel, AdP Energias – water utilities and sanitation, national / regional level, working on water reuse and sludge valorization and water/wastewater residues management*

Reactions from Jay Navarro (City of The Hague & Just Common People)

3. Circular economy for Innovation

- *Instituto Pedro Nunes (Circular Economy startup incubator);*
- *Filipa Saldanha, Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian –startups in Blue Bio Value, Social Innovation, and Circular Economy in food systems*

Reactions from Teresa Jorge, CCDRC and discussion with audience

Workshop 4. Separate Collection, Biowaste and Nutrient Cycling:

Moderator: Mía Forbes Pirie - Room Condes de Sucena

- *Patrick Hasenkamp (VKU, Germany), President of Municipal Waste Europe “Making separate collection work” (TBC)*
- *Mercês Ferreira, Member of Executive Board, Portuguese Environment Agency*
- *Michele Giavini – Italian Composting and Biogas Association*
- *Fernando Leite, Executive Director, Lipor, Porto*

Panel Discussion with audience

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

17.00-17.45 Closing Plenary

Room Castello Lopes (1st floor).

- *Reports back from Break-out sessions*
- *Secretary of State for the Environment, João Ataíde – Closing Remarks - The next steps for closing the circle*