



SCREEN - Synergic Circular Economy across European Regions

3rd SCREEN International workshop "Barriers and shortcuts to Circular Economy", Brussels, 22 February 2018

SCREEN is an H2020 coordinating and supporting action participated by 17 European regions, aiming at the definition of a replicable systemic approach towards a transition to Circular Economy in EU regions within the context of the Smart Specialization Strategy. The project also deals with the identification and implementation of operational synergies between investments in research and innovation under Horizon 2020, the Structural Funds and the European Investment Funds.



Besides developing a common agreed approach to support a transition to a circular economy and to enhance existing smart specialization strategies of the involved regions, the project intends to develop some policy support advisory services to enable regions to invest EU funds in transnational value chains. Furthermore, the identification and implementation of operational synergies between investments in research and innovation under Horizon 2020, the Structural Funds and the European Investment Funds is also an important task of the project, addressed within the SCREEN Policy Lab.

Workshop Objectives

This third SCREEN International Workshop is organized by CCDR Centro (Regional Coordination and Development Commission – Centro of Portugal), and aims at ensuring an exchange of information among project partners and external public and private stakeholders on how to overcome barriers to the development of trans-regional circular economy initiatives and find targeted shortcuts.

As a priority, the workshop will also aim at stimulating the preparation of future collaborative projects and synergies aligned with the strategic areas identified by the SCREEN partners (within the Agriculture & food, (Smart) Packaging, (Resources from) water and wastewater, Biobased materials & biotechnology, Manufacturing and re-manufacturing, (Bio)Waste management and Construction domains).

Finally, the SCREEN Policy Lab will have a dedicated session addressing the project's Memorandum of Understanding, which has the aim of paving the way to the future synergic application of funds for cross regional projects dealing with circular economy.







International Workshop

Barriers and shortcuts to Circular Economy

Agenda

Date: 22 February 2018

Venue: Portuguese Permanent Representation to the European Union, Avenue de Cortenbergh N 12 – 1040 Brussels

The event will be in english only.

09h00 Registration

Registration of the participants

09h30 - 10h00 Welcome and introductory speech

Ana Abrunhosa (President of CCDR Centro Portugal)

João Pedro Matos Fernandes (Portuguese Ministry of Environment)

10h00 Circular Economy and European projects

Keti Medarova (EASME)

10h10 Project SCREEN

Carlo Polidori (Project Manager; VELTHA, ivzw, BE)

10h15 SCREEN Synergies

From local to cross regional synergies

Bart Volkers (Province of Fryslan; WaterAlliance, NL) **Marcelo Colledani** (Intelligent Factory Lombardy Region Cluster, IT)

Self Assessment Tool for the investment readiness of EU regions

Timoteo De La Fuente (DG GROW)



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Round table

Marisa Almeida (CTCV – Technological Center for Ceramics and Glass, Centro Region, PT) Nillo Halonen (Tampere University of Technology, FI) Marcello Colledani (Intelligent Factory Lombardy Region Cluster, IT) Timoteo De La Fuente (DG GROW)

Moderator: Bart Volkers

11h15 Q&A

Questions from the public to be answered by the round table speakers

11h25 Coffee break

Refreshments and food from the Portuguese cuisine

11h40 Round table

Barriers and shortcuts to Circular Economy

Inês Costa (Coordinator of the Portuguese Action Plan for Circular Economy; Ministry of Environment, PT) **Jarno Laitinen** (Project Manager for the Finnish Contaminated Land Demonstration Program; Centre for Economic Development, Transport and the Environment Pirkanmaa, FI)

Bernd Janson (ZENIT - Zentrum fur Innovation and Technik - Regional agency for R&D in North Rhein Westphalia, DE)

Carlos Vieira (CELPA – Association for the Paper Industry, PT)

Moderator: Inês Costa

12h40 Q&A

Questions from the public to be answered by the round table speakers

12h50 Conclusion remarks

Carlo Polidori (Project Manager; VELTHA, ivzw, BE)

13h00 Lunch break







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14h00 The use of article 70 of ESI Funds

Katja Reppel (DG Regio)

14h15 Synergies about ESIF and H2020

(DG RTD)

14h30 Q&A

Questions and answers regarding the previous presentations

14h40 – 15h15 SCREEN Policy Lab Meeting I (open to external audience)

Development of regional policies for Circular Economy

Tjeerd Hazenberg (Policy officer; Province of Fryslan, NL)

Research gaps and other issues raised during the SCREEN project: open discussion

Moderator: Carlo Polidori

15h15 – 16.00 SCREEN Policy Lab Meeting II (open to external audience)

Circular economy projects: additional assessment criteria proposed by SCREEN and availability of regional statistics

State of the art of the Memorandum of Understanding

Preliminary information about the next Policy Lab meeting

Moderator: Carlo Polidori

16h00 End of the meeting

