2025-03-24 Waste TF Meeting Notes

Participants:

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11. Dan Matei ANRSC Romania
12. Vittorio Graziano WAREG

Absent: VERT Lithuania

Meeting Updates and Actions

Presentation by Giovanni about Italy's presentation, adding a view of what's happening over time, with an increase in contributions following a complaint presented by the municipalities.

ARERA to organise a gathering of the circular economy act with the EU Commission. ARERA available to organise it in Roma in May. Date to be defined based on the availabilities of EU Commission's officials.

MEKH Hungary, to update its presentations with more quantitative numbers.

Presentation by Portugal on EPR Schemes

EU Relations Update:

- Taglialatela provided an update on EU relations and noted requests from Mr. Flackenecker. For our update, below the conversation with Mr Flachenecher:

  Since the recently adopted Clean Industrial Deal announces that as part of the Circular Economy Act the Commission will consider to "simplify, digitalise and expand in a targeted manner extended producer responsibility", it would indeed be useful to hear your experience and recommendations from a waste regulator's perspective on two issues in particular:

  1. ***What are the best practices and current approaches to ensure the cost efficiency of EPR systems?***
  2. ***What is your experience in what the EPR fee (should) cover in order to ensure a well functioning EPR system and how the EPR fees (should be) are invested in this context?***

  Any insights, in particular supported by facts and figures, would be much appreciated and timely.

Presentation Submissions:

- Presentations from Hungary, Italy, Greece, and Latvia were delivered during the meeting.
- Portugal and Romania to upload their presentations at a later time, possibly by March 14th.

Data Request:

- There is a request to gather more quantitative cost data. Once complete, the data should be presented over a time span to illustrate the evolution of costs across countries.

Future Meetings and Workshops

- Next Waste TF Meeting: March 24, 2 PM CET.

- Workshop with the EU Commission: March 09, 2 PM CET