Summary of the Waste Meeting (26th November 2024)

Key Discussion Points:

- Analysis of tariffs per inhabitant and per kilogram, distinguishing between capital and operational costs and differentiate (case of Hungary) between institutions, businesses, and citizens.
- Present average consumer charges and analyse cost impacts on tariffs.
- Variations in waste management approaches: integrated (e.g., Italy) versus separated systems.
- Issue of common indicators for household population (varying among countries)
- Possibility to insert a short description of how tariffs are built
- Inserting landfill taxes amounts per country (specifying that is not under regulators control)
- Provide a briefing on sector challenges and goals during the introduction.
- Encourage use of national statistics for countries with insufficient data.
- Issue of propose a standard timeline for comparisons across countries.

Draft Presentation Structure:

- Introduction and presentation (challenges, contents of the national presentations)
- National Presentations
    - Italy
    - Portugal
    - Hungary
    - Latvia
    - Lithuania
    - Romania
- Rationale for Regulation (highlight investment gaps and potential impacts on tariffs)
- Findings from the national cases (table with averages)
- Conclusions

Country-Specific Insights in preparing the presentations:

<u>Hungary:</u>

- 3,500 municipalities face challenges in aggregating data.
- Proposed options for presenting tariffs: ranges (minimum, maximum, and averages), with focus on capitals.

<u>Portugal:</u>

- Differentiation between DRS (Deposit Return Schemes) and common urban waste.
- Tariffs vary by region; breakdown by household and population suggested.
- Timeframe for investments considered up to 2030.

<u>Greece and Romania:</u>

- Limited or variable data due to different operator structures.

<u>Romania:</u>

- New cost-splitting obligation for operators starting 2024.

<u>Latvia and Lithuania:</u>

- Addressed data-related challenges; inclusion of landfill tax details in national presentations.