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Circular Economy

How to connect policy, research and business?

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9:00-14.00

Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei
Corso Magenta 63, Milano

The Circular Economy (CE) is a model of production and consumption looking beyond the current take-make-waste model and aiming at decoupling economic activity from the consumption of finite resources. A model that proposes to redesign the production and consumption of products by reducing the use of virgin non-renewable resources, minimizing waste, and bringing back end-of-life products into the economic cycle is essential to address environmental challenges.

During the last few years, in particular after the first proposal for an EU policy package on a 'Circular Economy' in 2015, the concepts and definitions of Circular Economy bloomed in different policy, institutional, industrial and research environments. It is therefore necessary to disentangle the most referred available CE concepts and schemes to set a clearer scene for the CE.

The workshop will be an opportunity to present the Report on Circular Economy, drafted by FEEM and Università Cattolica. The Report provides an overview of concepts, policy frameworks and measurement tools related to Circular Economy and will be used as a background for the definition of FEEM's research agenda on the topic.

The workshop aims at extending the debate on Circular Economy to a wider audience. On this occasion, high-level international experts will present their work to provide qualified points of view and perspectives on the subject. Through their participation, this workshop intends to stimulate a debate around policy, research and business initiatives to support the transition to new circularity-based models.

The event will be held in English.

Agenda

09.00–09.15 *Registration of participants*

09.15–09.30 Greetings

Paolo **Carnevale**, FEEM Executive Director

Stefano **Pareglio**, FEEM Scientific Coordinator of the “Firms and Cities Towards Sustainability” Research Programme

09.30–09.45 Introduction

Roberto **Zoboli**, Full Professor of Economic Policy, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

Presentations

Chair: Gianni **Guastella**, FEEM Senior Researcher of the “Firms and Cities Towards Sustainability” Research Programme

09.45-10.00 Giulio **Molinaro**, Industrial Policy Department – Confindustria

10.00-10:15 Francesca **Cappellaro**, Researcher, Section Support for coordination of Activities on Circular Economy, Sustainability Department - ENEA

10:15-10:30 Camille **Aneris**, Researcher, Circular Economy Area - Fondazione Sviluppo Sostenibile

10:30-10:45 Paola **Migliorini**, Deputy Head of Unit, Sustainable Production, Products and Consumption, DG Environment, European Commission

10:45-11:00 Lieze **Cloots**, Head of the international policy unit - OVAM (Belgium), European Circular Economy Stakeholder Platform

11:00-11:15 *Coffee break*

11:15-11:30 Henning **Wilts**, Director of Division Circular Economy, Wuppertal Institute (Germany)

11:30-11:45 Mieke **De Schoenmakere**, EEA European Environment Agency

11:45-12:00 Maria Grazia **Pedrana**, Observatory Decarbonisation and Circular Economy, DG Environment and Climate, Regione Lombardia

12.00–12.30 Presentation of the FEEM Report on “*Circular Economy and Sustainable Development. A Background Report for Initiatives Design*”

Speaker:

Roberto **Zoboli**, Full Professor of Economic Policy, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

12.30-13:00 Comments to the FEEM Report and General Discussion

13:00 – 14:00 *Light Lunch*