



**Webinar on
Circular Economy**
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Circular Economy Action Plan

For a cleaner and
more competitive
Europe

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Need for action



- From 1970 to 2017, the annual global extraction of materials **tripled** and it continues to grow.

Source: The International Resource Panel, [Global Resources Outlook](#), 2019



- Annual waste generation will increase by **70%** by 2050

Source: [World Bank](#)
What a waste 2.0, 2018



- More than **90%** of biodiversity loss and water stress come from resource extraction and processing.

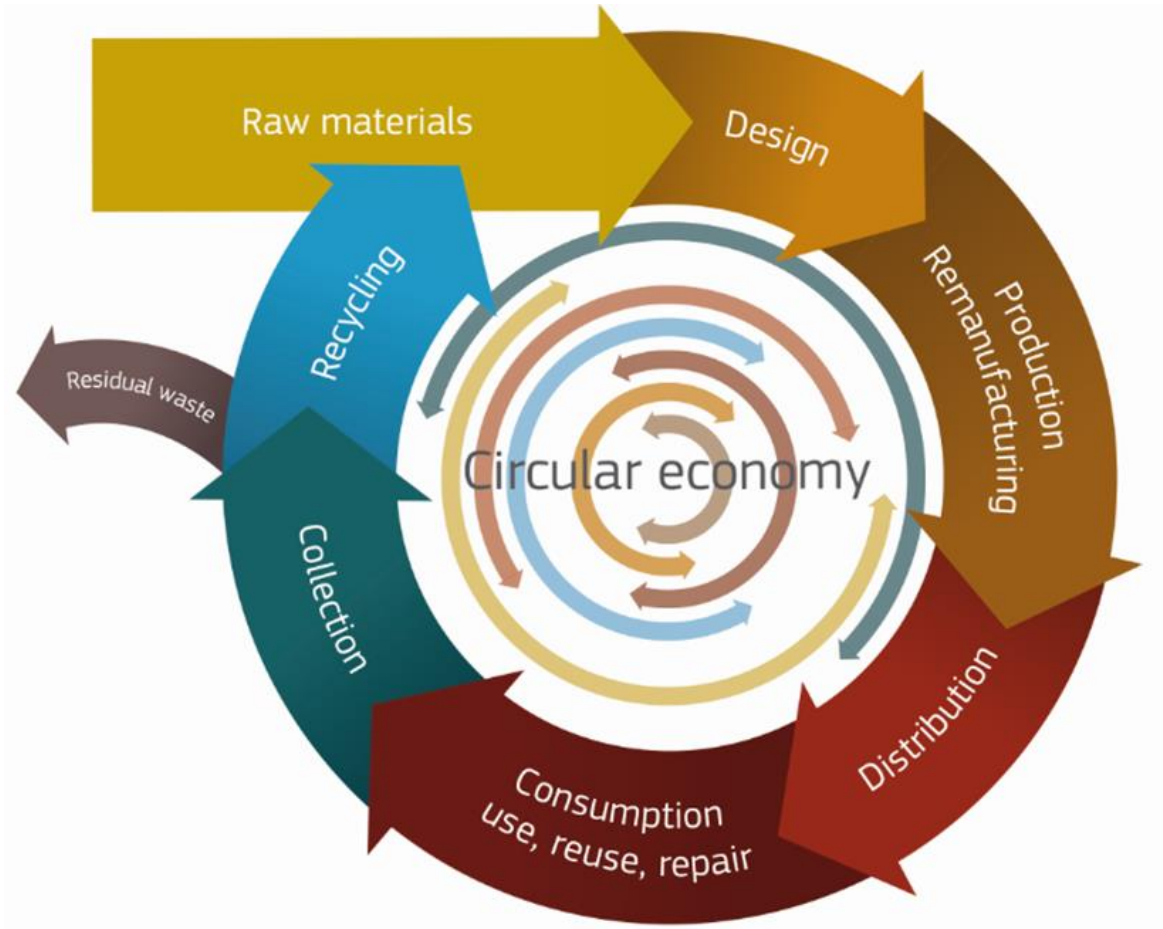
Source: The International Resource Panel, [Global Resources Outlook](#), 2019



- Only **12%** of the materials used by EU industry come from recycling.

Source: [Eurostat](#),
2016 figures

What is the circular economy?



- An economy where the value of products, materials and resources is maintained in the economy for as long as possible, and the generation of waste minimized.

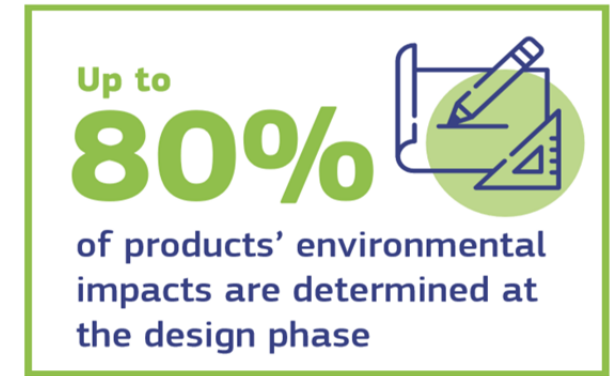
A new Circular Economy Action Plan



Designing sustainable products

Sustainable Products Initiative

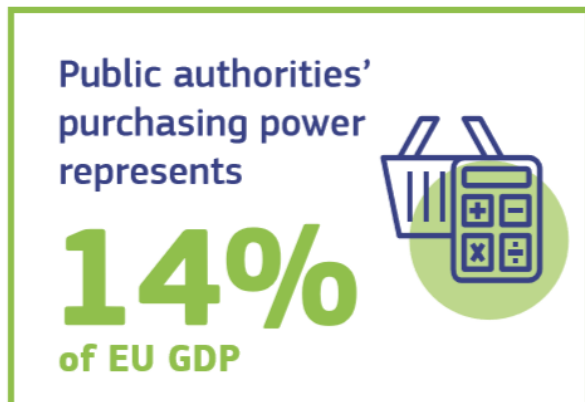
- Legislative proposal to set principles for product policy and requirements on products placed on the EU market →
Widen the **Ecodesign Directive beyond energy-related products**



- Improve **durability, reusability, upgradability and reparability**
- Address presence of **hazardous chemicals** and **increasing recycled content**
- Restrict **single-use** and counter **premature obsolescence**
- Incentive **product-as-a-service**
- Digitalisation**, including digital product passport

Empowering consumers and public buyers

- Revision of the **consumer law**: consumers to receive trustworthy and relevant information on products at the point of sale
- Establishing a new “**Right to repair**”
- Legislative proposal to ensure companies substantiate their **environmental claims** using Product and Organisation Environmental Footprint methods
- Include more systematically durability, recyclability and recycled content in EU Ecolabel criteria



- Proposal for **mandatory Green Public Procurement (GPP)** criteria and targets in sectoral legislation
- Phasing-in **mandatory reporting** on GPP

Making circularity work for people, regions and cities

A joint agenda, a transition where no one is left behind



Main actions:

- Revision of the Skills Agenda
- A new Pact for Skills
- Cohesion policy funds
(to help regions implement CE strategies & reinfo
- Just Transition Mechanism



4 million jobs

linked to the
circular economy
in the EU

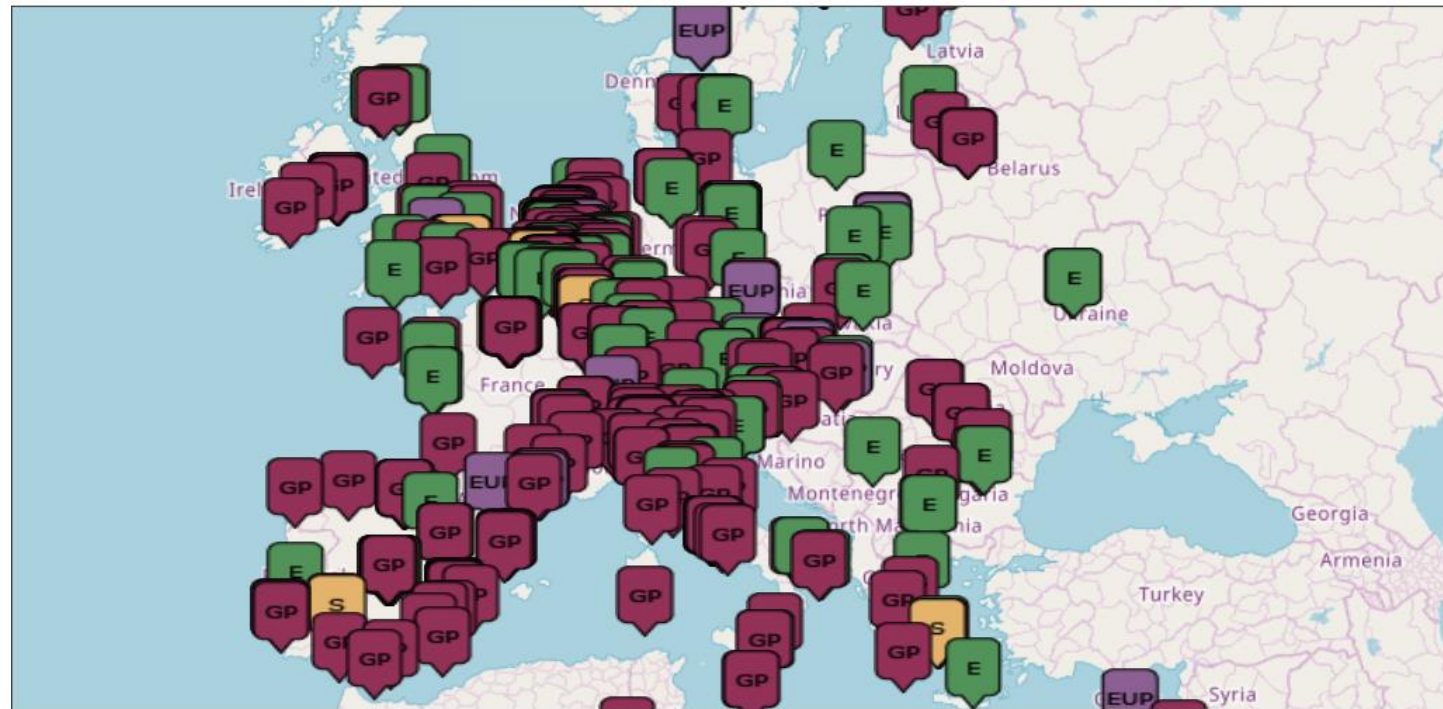


→ Circular Economy as a driver of a *Green Recovery*

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