

Circular Economy Action Plan

For a cleaner and more competitive Europe Circular Economy Act

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35 actions

Make sustainable products the norm in the EU Empower consumers and public buyers Sustainable production processes

Electronics and ICT Batteries and vehicles Packaging Plastics Textiles Construction and buildings Food, water and nutrients

Reduce Waste Reduce Waste Exports Boost market for high quality and safe secondary raw materials Making circular economy work for people, regions and cities

Circular economy as a requisite for climate neutrality

Getting the Economics Right

Financial Markets

Investments and R&I

Global Level Playing Field

Monitoring



Challenges

- Stagnating EU circularity rate
- Waste volumes not decreasing
- Many MS missing 2025 prepare for reuse and recycling targets under WFD
- Separate collection is lagging behind
- Consumption level not sustainable
- Low rates of repair/refurbishment



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References:

- Political Guidelines
- Clean Industrial Deal
- Steel and Metal Action Plan
- Single Market Strategy

What:

- Regulation (revision of Waste Framework Directive + Directive for Waste from Electronic and Electrical Equipment (WEEE)).
- Single Market focus. Considering simplification and harmonization of EPR, End of Waste, by-products.

When: end of 2026

Next steps: Call for Evidence and Open Public Consultation in July 2025

