





# Circular Economy Strategies and Trends -Slovenia and the EU perspective

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## **Setting the scene 2014**

#### Framework Program for Transition to a Green Economy

Adopted by the Government of the Republic of Slovenia, October 2015

- 1. Decision for a common goal
- 2. Framework for starting the process



Circular models as a priority



# Shared responsibility - defining and communicating the roles...

State

- Connecting policies
- Improving legal frameworks
- Support through financial mechanism

**Partners** 

- Implementation of circular production principles
- Implementation of circular business models
- Transfer of knowledge and best practices

#### Four Pillars of Activities

#### Partnership for a green economy

LINK POLICIES, STEER
MEASURES TOWARDS
GREEN (common solutions
for green growth)

(linking solutions, establishing partnerships, awareness-raising)

EDUCATION AND TRAINING (raising competences) EXAMPLES OF BEST PRACTICES (verifying solutions, enhancing links)



#### **COMMUNICATION AS A KEY STRATEGY**

## New governance structure

#### PARTNERSHIP BTW GOVERNMENT AND STAKEHOLDERS



Dialog with all stakeholders

Working on the ground

Regional consultations, workshops arround the country

Urban Forum of Mayors

Strategic
Innovation
Partnership
(SRIP) on
circular economy

Debate with the mayors -National Urban forum Transfering experioence

Identifying
bottleneks, best
practices,
Connecting
partners,
Coalitions with
"front runners"

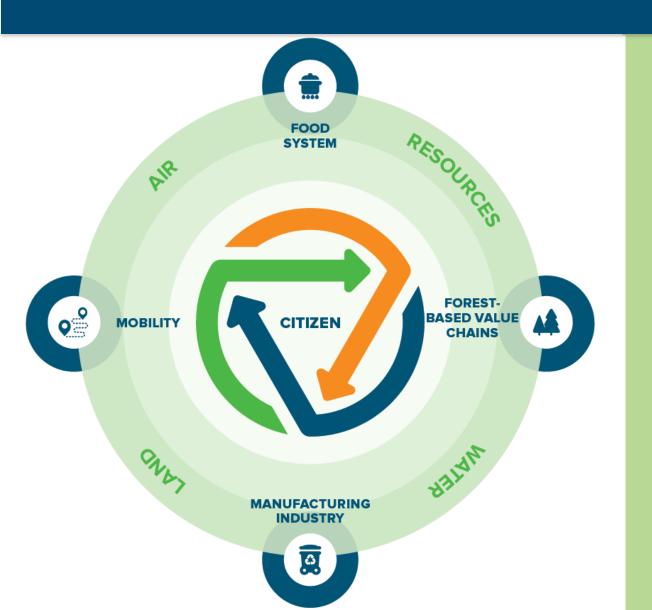
Development Strategy of Slovenia



Over 100 best practices mapped



#### 4 PRIORITY FIELDS FOR SLOVENIA



**FOOD SYSTEM** 

FOREST-BASED VALUE CHAINS

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY** 

**MOBILITY** 

Highlight best practices in each field and link them to circular business models.

Recommentations to the government

as a starting point and the base for the Action Plan for the transition to the circular economy of Slovenia.

# Circular economy as a part of strategic development

- > Development Strategy of Slovenia: inclusion of circular economy
- Smart specialization SDIP (SRIP) Circular Economy,
   Action Plan for Value Chains (2017-2020)
- Climate Policy Climate Law, long term strategy 2050
  - Climate Fond
  - National Energy and Climate Plan (NEPN)

# Slovene Presidency of the Council of the European Union (June- December 2021)

Circular Economy as one of the priorities

### Circular Economy and the EU Framework

- Circular Economy Package and Action Plan (waste management, plastics,...)
- > New Green Deal ("100 day plan")
- > Circular Economy 2.0 (end of March)

#### Trends: "circular economy as a key instrument"

- > shift from waste management to resource management
- extended producer responsibility
- > secondary raw materials
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#### **ACTIVITIES WITH FOCUS ON CITIES**





#### **Circular City Portal:**

- Resource Efficiency Guide
- Circular City Funding Guide
  - For funders: How to create programmes financing circular economy projects
  - Advisory Hub
- Circular City Indicators
- Circular use of Space
- Urban Resource Centers

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# Way forward

Implementation: program for connecting different policys' measures and set up a permanent base for a systemic change

<u>Cooperation:</u> Knowledge Platform for working together in Slovenia, in the region, Europe and Globally

# Thank you

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