



## Programme for meetings on circular economy

NORWAY HOUSE

February 26, 2019

08:45-09:00	<b>Words of welcome</b> by Ambassador Rolf Einar Fife
09:00 – 09:45	<b>Official opening</b> by European Commission Vice-President for Jobs, Growth, Investment and Competitiveness, Jyrki Katainen, followed by a 30 minute discussion. Chair: Ambassador Rolf Einar Fife
09:45-10:50	<b>EU policy development for a circular economy. How to engage consumers? Which role can public procurements play?</b> Chair: Deputy Director General Pål Spillum, Ministry of Climate and Environment Introductions and discussions (65 mins) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• William Neale, adviser for Circular Economy at DG Environment – about the EU’s policy development in the field of circular economy</li><li>• Matija Matoković, policy officer on Innovative and E-procurement at DG Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs – about the EU’s work on circular procurements</li><li>• Jeroen Van Laer, policy officer for sustainable consumption at DG Justice and Consumers – about intergrating consumer aspects in the circular economy</li><li>• Sylvia Maurer, head of the Sustainability &amp; Safety Department at BEUC (European consumer NGO) – about consumer needs and challenges in a transition towards a circular economy</li></ul>
10:50-11:10	Break
11:10-12:05	<b>How digitalisation contributes to a circular economy</b> (55 mins) Chair: Counsellor for Digitalisation, Trond Helge Bårdsen <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Annika Hedberg, Senior Policy Analyst at the European Policy Centre, head of the <i>Digital Roadmap for a Circular Economy</i> Task Force</li><li>• Dirk van Rooy, head of sector, European Trusted Cloud Partnership, DG Communications Networks, Content and Technology – about green data economy and green data centres</li></ul>

12:05-12:35	<p><b>Opportunities in a circular bio-economy (30 mins)</b>  Chair: Counsellor for Research, Are Straume</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waldemar Kütt, head of unit <i>Bioeconomy Strategy</i>, DG Research and Innovation – about EU’s work on circular bioeconomy</li> <li>• Susanna Pflüger, Secretary General in the European Biogas Association – about the role and opportunities of biogas</li> </ul>
12:35-12:50	Break
12:50-13:50	<p><b>Lunch discussion about the possibilities for the use of CO<sub>2</sub> og heat recovery (industrial symbiosis) (60 mins)</b>  Chair: Christian Egenhofer, director of CEPS Energy Climate House</p> <p>Introductions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Haitze Siemers, DG Energy, head of unit for <i>New energy technologies, innovation and clean coal (CCU/CCUS)</i></li> <li>• Karlis Goldstein, policy officer at DG Energy – about waste heat and circular economy</li> <li>• Christian Egenhofer, director of CEPS Energy Climate House - about carbon capture (CCU/CCS)</li> </ul>
13:50-14:10	Break
14:10-15:10	<p><b>Financing and competitiveness in a circular economy (60 mins)</b>  Chair: Councillor for Finance, Inger-Johanne Rygh</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hydro with Rønnaug Sægrov Mysterud, head of Hydro’s Brussels offices</li> <li>• Business Europe with Alexandre Affre, Director of industry</li> <li>• DNV GL with Rune Torhaug, director of EU Government and Public Affairs</li> <li>• European Banking Federation with Sébastien de Brouwer, chief policy officer</li> </ul> <p>Short introductions followed by discussion</p>
15:10-15:30	Break
15:30-16:30	<p><b>Strategies and policy development in other countries (60 mins)</b>  Chair: Counsellor for Regional and Local Affairs, Eivind Lorentzen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Valerio Barberis, deputy mayor for urban planning in the city of Prato in Italy</li> <li>• Janja Kreitmayer McKenzie from the Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning in Slovenia</li> </ul>
16:30-16:35	<p><b>Closing remarks</b> by State Secretary Atle Hamar, Ministry of Climate and Environment in Norway</p>