



Joint Final Conference POLFREE & DYNAMIX projects

Policy mixes promoting resource efficiency for a circular economy

Draft Agenda

15 - 16 February 2016, Brussels

DIAMANT Brussels Conference & Business Centre



DAY 1 , 15 FEBRUARY 2016

09:30 – 10:00 Registration & welcome coffee

Opening: Introduction to the conference

10:00 – 10:30 – Welcome addresses

Dr. Martin Hirschnitz-Garbers, Ecologic Institute, coordinator of the DYNAMIX project
Wanda Gaj, DG Research & Innovation

Session 1: Creating Resource Efficient Futures

10:30 – 10:50 Setting the scene: policy frameworks for resource efficiency in Europe. State of affairs and avenues for the future

François Wackenhut, DG ENV (TBC)

10:50 – 11:10 What should a Resource Efficient Europe look like: Vision, Scenarios and Pathways

Prof. Paul Ekins, University College London - UCL

11:10 – 11:30 Q&A time

11:30-12:30 Policy mix approaches and methods used within POLFREE and DYNAMIX project

Dr. Martin Hirschnitz-Garbers, Ecologic
Henning Wilts, Wuppertal Institute
Martin Nesbit, IEEP

12:30 – 12:45 Q&A time

12:45- 13:45 Lunch break and exhibition

Session 2: Grand challenges of implementing ambitious policy mixes

13:45- 14:00 Flash input from policy, business, research and CSO perspectives on policy mixes

François Wackenhut , DG Environment (TBC)
Dr. Christian Hagelüken, UMICORE
Jeremy Wates, EEB (TBC)
Prof Rene Kemp, United Nations University (TBC)

14:00-15:00 **Implementation challenges and options: What can different stakeholder groups do to facilitate feasibility of policy mixes? (break-out session)**

- Policy makers (intro presentation: Martin Nesbit, IEEP)
- Businesses (intro presentation: Ton Bastein, TNO) (TBC)
- Civil society (intro presentation: Martin Hirschnitz-Garbers, Ecologic)
- Research (intro presentation: Paul Ekins, UCL)

15:00- 15:30 Reporting back to the plenary

15:30 -16:00 **Coffee break**

Session 3: Assessing ambitious Policies for Resource Efficiency

16:00 - 16:15 **Modeling findings & scenarios for the transition to a resource efficient economy: impacts on resource use, sectoral trade-offs, growth and jobs**
Prof. Bernd Meyer, GWS

16:15-16:30 **Absolute decoupling in Europe: modeling results**
Dr. Andrea Bigano, FEEM

16:30 – 16:45 **What different approaches to modeling tell us about policies for Resource Efficiency**
Prof. Paul Ekins , UCL

16:45-17:00 **Q&A session and discussion**

17:00-18.00 **Sounding board: responding to the challenges of ambitious policy mixes for resource efficiency**

Dr. Christian Hagelüken, UMICORE
Prof Rene Kemp, United Nations University (TBC)
Jocelyn Blériot, Ellen MacArthur Foundation (TBC)
Peter Borkey, OECD (TBC)
Jeremy Wates, EEB (TBC)

18:00 **Closing of day 1**

18:00-20:00 **Walking dinner and networking**

Day 2, 16 February 2016

08:30 – 09:00 Registration & welcome coffee

Session 5: The circular economy package and the transition to a resource efficient Europe

9:00 - 9:30 **The new Circular Economy Package: perspectives and expectations**
Speaker TBA

9:30- 10:00 **Business reactions to the new Circular Economy Package – To what extent does the new package address the key challenges of businesses in the transition to a resource efficient circular economy?**
Prof Christoph Scharff, CEC4Europe / Vienna University of Technology

10:00- 11:00 **Roundtable on CEP with business representatives**
Cristiaan Prins, Unilever
Annick Carpentier, EUROMETAUX
Sophie Compere, Veolia (TBC)
Anna-Gaelle Collot, Chemical Industries Association (TBC)

11:00- 11:30 Coffee break

Session 6: Future direction and recommendations to the new circular economy package

11:30 – 12:00 **Initiating the change – What do the policy mixes and modelling findings tell us about the new circular economy package?**
Prof Paul Ekins, UCL
Prof Bernd Meyer, GWS
Dr. Andrea Bigano, FEEM

12:00- 13:00 **Panel discussion: does the new CE package has the right policy instruments/ mixes to achieve the transition to a resource efficient Europe?**
Christophe Yvetot, UNIDO
Prof. Paul Ekins, UCL
Alan Atkisson, Atkisson Group (TBC)
Molly Scott, MEP (TBC)
Speaker TBA

13:00 – 13:15 **Closing of the DYNAMIX and POLFREE joint conference, final remarks**
Prof Paul Ekins, UCL
Dr. Martin Hirschnitz-Garbers, Ecologic Institute
