

Circular Public Procurement in the Baltic Sea Region

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Dear readers,

Welcome to the third issue of the Circular PP project newsletter. This newsletter presents an overview of many of the actions that have taken place in the period October 2018 to March 2019. Enjoy!

Activities in Circular PP



Annual Danish meeting on Green Procurement

The City of Aalborg participated in the annual meeting on green procurement arranged by POGI (Partnership of Green Procurement) and Forum for Sustainable Procurement (the Danish national effort in green procurement). There were around 180 participants, including the Minister of the Ministry of Industry, Business and Financial Affairs Rasmus Jarlov, who emphasized the importance of green

procurement. [Read more](#)

Circular PP presents at 'Co-creating the green transition' conference

On 7th November 2018 Circular PP had the opportunity to give a pitch at the final conference of the Interreg project "Samskabende Grøn Omstilling" (Co-creational Green Transition). The purpose was to inform conference-goers about how circular procurement can be used to co-create a circular economy by encouraging businesses, users, and purchasers to work together to find joint solutions to common problems. [Read more](#)



Analyzing circular business models using the Circular PP Framework

Students of Business Process and Supply Chain Management at the University of Applied Sciences for Management & Communication (FH-Wien) in Vienna have been working with the Circular PP's Circular Economy Framework to analyze circular business models as part of a supply chain procurement module. [Read more](#)



Circular PP on the seminar “Systemic approach to the circular architecture – technologies and regulations”

On the 11th December in Warsaw Circular PP Project staff from RRDA (Poland) took part in the Circular Economy event organized by INNOWO-Institut Innowacji i Odpowiedzialnego Rozwoju. The main subject of the event was: “Systemic approach to the circular architecture – technologies and regulations”.

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Circular Procurement in Malmö

Written by Paula Land from ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability. This text was originally published on Sustainable Procurement Platform.

10 million tonnes of furniture are discarded by businesses and consumers in EU Member States each year, the majority of which is destined for either landfill or incineration, finds a report published by the European Environmental Bureau. The report calls on policy makers and officials to focus more efforts on higher-value circular resource flows, such as refurbishment or remanufacturing. [Read more](#)



Is Circular Procurement the New Sustainable?

Written by Ashleigh McLennan – Sustainable Procurement and Economy Officer from ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability. This text was originally published on Green Growth Knowledge Platform.

Over thirty years ago, the World Commission on Environment and Development – more commonly known as the Brundtland Commission – declared that “the time

has come to break out of past patterns”, kick-starting three decades worth of sustainable development programmes. [Read more](#)

[Circular PP Animated video](#)

Animated video explains the main principles of circular economy and circular public procurement. The film could be used at all trainings for public procurers and widely disseminated at procurement events. [To watch the video, click the picture!](#)



In brief

- In 18th of October 2018, LEIF participated in conference “NORTHERN AND BALTIC COUNTRIES ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHALLENGES ” in panel discussion about Circular economy to promote it and inform about Circular PP Project. Conference was organized by Nordic Council of Ministers Office in Latvia. [Keep Reading](#)
- LEIF organized 2 lectures (1st and 15th of November 2018) in Riga Technical University (branch in Cesis municipality) about Circular Economy as a part of Circular PP project task 3.4. [Keep Reading on FB](#) ([short video](#): why to visit this lecture and why CE is so important for environmental studies and society)
- LEIF representatives gave an interview about Circular PP project and Circular Economy in magazine “Iepirkumi” No. 6/2018 (“Procurements”).
- During The World Resource Forum Antwerp, at which took place from 24-27 February 2019 in Antwerp (Belgium), Joan Prummel and Emile Bruls from Rijkswaterstaat did a workshop on circular public procurement and green deals, together with Veerle Labeeuw from the Flemish waste agency OVAM. The workshop provided basic information on how to make procurement circular, how green deals can help and what strategies can be followed. On the event about 30 people participated. Contacts were laid with several participants which can be useful for the CPP project and establish links between the project and other European projects in which public procurement plays a role. [Keep reading](#)

Interesting events

- The representatives of Partnership are going to participate in UrbanWINS, held on 4th of April in Brussels (GreenBiz, Rue Dieudonné Lefèvre 17). The event title will be: "City as a living organism: Understanding its metabolism to reduce its resource consumption". UrbanWINS has developed and tested methods for designing and implementing eco-innovative strategic plans for waste prevention and management in eight pilot cities: Cremona, Albano Laziale, Pomezia and Torino (Italy); Leiria (Portugal); Bucharest (Romania), and Manresa & Sabadell (Spain). It will share the outcomes and results of the project so that other cities, organizations and stakeholders can build upon them. [Keep reading](#)
- During Green Week, on 16th May, also in Brussels "Circular Cities: Innovating to tackle plastic waste" (Scotland House, Rond-point Schuman), will be organized. This conference on the circularity of plastics in European cities will gather multiple stakeholders to assess the challenge of a circular economy for plastics, and the innovations which aim to tackle plastic waste in Europe’s urban areas. [Keep reading](#)
- The representatives of RRDA are getting ready to participate in the 10th Annual Forum of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) which will be held on Poland on 12-13th June 2019. [Keep reading](#)

Circular PP international partner meetings:

Malmö, Sweden



On 25th – 27th March, the Circular PP project Partners met at the fourth meeting organized by the City of Malmö, to discuss the actual status of the project and to acquire knowledge about the good practices in circular public procurement.

At the meeting, the Partners discuss the challenges and elaborate proposition of solutions. They also have possibility to tell good stories related with the project practice. During the third day, project team participated in study tour to Sege Park in Malmo and Lendager in Copenhagen.

Interested in knowing more about study visit? Please, see our website. The post will be published soon!

The fifth partner meeting will take place in Autumn 2019, in Skt. Petersburg.

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- Twitter: [@circular_pp](https://twitter.com/circular_pp)
- YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd2mijuQS7UuGJFgscwiYYA>

Partners in the project

Ten [partners](#) from seven countries take part in the project:



There is also an engagement of 21 [associated organisations](#) from 7 countries, interested in circular procurement, sought for further exploitation of project outcomes.

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