

**LIFE PLATFORM MEETING - PLASTICS in a CIRCULAR ECONOMY**  
**21-22<sup>th</sup> September 2017, ATHENS, GREECE**

**AGENDA – DAY 1**

**The meeting is hosted by the National Technical University of Athens**

08:30 – 09:10	Registration
09:10 – 09:20	<b>Welcome from the host</b> National Technical University of Athens (Professor Maria LOIZIDOU)
09:20 – 09:40	<b>Welcome and introduction to the Platform meeting</b> (DG ENV, LIFE Programme Unit, Davide MESSINA and EASME, Aurelio POLITANO)
09:40 – 10:00	<b>Keynote Speaker 1</b> Policy developments: The role of plastics in a Circular Economy (DG ENV, Sustainable Chemicals Unit, Helmut MAURER)
10:00 – 10:20	<b>Keynote Speaker 2</b> Industry Perspective: towards a Circular Economy for plastics – opportunities and challenges (Plastic Recyclers Europe, Antonino FURFARI)
10:20 – 10:30	Question and answer session
10:30 – 10:50	Coffee break and networking
10:50 – 12:40	<p><b>LIFE – working towards a Circular Economy for plastics.</b>            (NEEMO Claudia PFIRRMANN, Mike JEFFERSON)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Introduction</i></li> <li>• <i>Project mapping (policy perspective)</i></li> <li>• <i>Policy presentations &amp; interactive workshop</i>  <i>MULTIBIOSOL (LIFE14 ENV/ES /000486)</i>  <i>Clean Sea LIFE (15 GIE/IT/000999)</i>  <i>PolyCE (Horizon2020)</i></li> <li>• <i>Sustainability presentations &amp; interactive workshop</i>  <i>BREAD4PLA (LIFE10 ENV/ES/000479)</i>  <i>Zero Cabin Waste (LIFE15 ENV/ES/000209)</i>  <i>AGANFOILS (LIFE15 ENV/NL/000429)</i></li> </ul>
12:40 – 12:50	Introducing the afternoon’s workshops (NEEMO Claudia PFIRRMANN, Mike JEFFERSON)
12:50 – 14:00	Lunch and Networking

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**AGENDA –DAY 1 – Workshop session**

14:00 – 16:00	<b>Workshop session (breaking into four groups)</b>			
	<b>Workshop 1</b>  <b>Plastics Collection and Sorting – Moving Beyond the State of the Art</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to the theme</li> <li>• Questions to be discussed and grouping of participants</li> <li>• Working in groups</li> <li>• Evaluation of the group work</li> <li>• Presentation of the results</li> </ul>	<b>Workshop 2</b>  <b>Plastic Marine Litter</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• .....</li> <li>• ....</li> <li>• ...</li> </ul>	<b>Workshop 3</b>  <b>Bio plastics</b>	<b>Workshop 4</b>  <b>Plastic Reprocessing – Closing the Loop and Creating Market Demand</b>
	<b>Session moderator:</b> NEEMO, Mike JEFFERSON	<b>Session moderator:</b> NEEMO, Lynne BARRATT	<b>Session moderator:</b> European Bioplastics e.V. Hasso VON POGRELL	<b>Session moderator:</b> tbc DG ENV, Sustainable Chemicals Unit, Helmut MAURER
16:00 – 16:20	Coffee break and networking			
16:20 – 17:20	<b>Workshop Conclusions: Panel session with questions and answers</b>			

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**AGENDA – DAY 2**

09.00 – 09.30	<b>LIFE – Opportunities for close-to-market plastic projects</b> (EASME, Aurelio POLITANO)
09.30 – 09.50	<b>H2020 - Opportunities for plastics projects</b> (EASME, Anna-Natasa ASIK)
09.50 – 10:10	<b>Securing investment for plastics projects after LIFE</b> (Piraeus Bank Group, ETVA VIPE, Stelios PSOMAS)
10.10 – 10.30	Question and answer session
10.30 – 10.50	Platform meeting WRAP up and Conclusions (DG ENV, LIFE Programme Unit, Davide MESSINA)
10.50 – 11.10	Coffee and networking
11.10 – 15:00	Travel to field trip to visit the LIFE project EnergyWaste located at WATT S.A.

**Field Trip**

We will visit the closed LIFE project EnergyWaste LIFE09 ENV/GR/000307, which is located north of Athens towards the international airport. This allows the airport to be reached directly on the way back.

Please consult the website for further information [www.energywaste.gr](http://www.energywaste.gr)

**Online Registration**

[https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/LIFE\\_Platform\\_Plastic\\_Recycling](https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/LIFE_Platform_Plastic_Recycling)

**Venue of the Platform meeting**

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