

Synergic CirculaR Economy across European regioNs



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## **General Project Presentation**

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## **17 Regions from 12 EU Countries**



A common replicable approach for a transition to a circular economy in the context of the RIS3 strategy



## The four steps of the SCREEN project

How to identify local Circular Economy potential and existing Value Chains (Regional level) How to identify crossregional Circular Economy Synergies

(Operational synergies)

How to finance projects raising from cross-regional syn<u>ergies</u>

(Funding synergies)

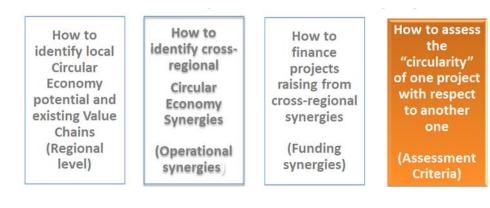
How to assess the "circularity" of one project with respect to another one

(Assessment Criteria)

Methodology for Regional Cooperation

**Policy Makers Recommendation Manual** 

## Assessment criteria for circular economy projects



- 4<sup>th</sup> logical step of the project
- We started with 5 criteria discussed in the 2° Policy Lab
- Several months of discussion and tests on real cases

A draft table of assessment criteria (V2.0) for circular economy issued on January 2018

Good compliance with the indicators in the Monitoring Framework document



#### DRAFT TABLE OF ASSESS

iste recycling or reduction should select one of the case

Indirect projects (such as supporting actions) should only provide data for crite

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	Ν.	Description	Explanation
among 1, 2,3 and 4)		Mass of waste resources recovered and re-introduced in the own production cycle, or	Waste recovered is re-used in the same location as a secondary raw material
14]		Industrial symbiosys: Mass of waste resources recovered and re- introduced in another production cycle, or	Waste recovered is re-used in another location as a secondary raw material
among 1, 2,3 and 4 J		Increase in the recyclability of waste generated, or	Waste recovered is put on the market as a secondary raw material
DOTTO:		Avoidance of waste generated	The new process generates less waste
	5	"Net Energy balance respect to the previous system" or "Amount of energy recovered"	The new process consumes less energy or same energy of thinew process is recovered
	6	Reduction of emissions	The new process has less missions respect to the operane
	7	Net balance of jobs 🦟	Number of new jobs created by the circular economy project, minus the number of jobs lost in the previous linear process
Criterion	8	Increase of economic value (lyfe cycle)	Ratio of economic value of the new process respect to the previous one
	9	Project promoting waste recycling	
projects	10	Implementation of "green procurement" in the project	
projects	11	Inclusion of relevant stakeholders education on circular economy	

#### Monitoring Framework -COM(2018) 29 final

tion and consumption EU self-sufficiency for naw materials	The circular economy should help to	Raw Materials Initiative Resource		
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	address the supply risks for raw materials, in particular critical raw materials.	Raw Materials Initiative; Resource Efficiency Roadmap		
Green public procurement*	Public procurement accounts for a large share of consumption and can drive the circular economy.	Public Procurement Strategy, EU support schemes and voluntary criteria for green public procurement		
Waste generation	In a circular economy waste generation is minimised.	Waste Framework Directive, directives on specific waste streams, Strategy for Plastics		
Food waste*	Discarding food has negative environmental, climate and economic impacts.	General Food Law Regulation; Waste Framework Directive; various initiatives (e.g. Platform on Food Losses and Food Waste)		
management				
Overall recycling rates	Increasing recycling is part of the transition to a circular economy.	Waste Framework Directive		
Recycling rates for specific waste streams	This reflects the progress in recycling key waste streams.	Waste Framework Directive; Landfill Directive; directives on specific waste streams		
lary raw materials				
Contribution of recycled materials to the materials demand	In a circular economy, secondary raw materials are commonly used to make new products.	Waste Framework Directive; Eco- design Directive; EU Ecolabel; REACH; initiative on the interface between chemicals, products and waste policies; Strategy for Plastics; quality standards for secondary raw materials		
Trade in recyclable raw materials	Trade in recyclables reflects the importance of the internal market and global participation in the circular economy.	Internal Market policy, Waste Shipment Regulation; Trade policy		
titiveness and innova	tion			
Private investments, jobs and gross value added	This reflects the contribution of the circular economy to the creation of jobs and growth.	Investment Plan for Europe; Structural and Investment Funds, InnovFin; Circular Economy Finance Support Platfom; Sustainable Finance Strategy, Green Employment Initiative; New Skills Agenda for Europe, Internal Market policy		
Patents	Innovative technologies related to the circular economy boost the EU's global competitiveness.	Horizon 2020		
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### How do we assess projects' circularity? Questionnaire for assessment criteria by SCREEN Policy Lab

SCREEN Policy Lab: Questionnaire on the assessment criteria for circular economy projects



#### Date: 2 Feb 2018

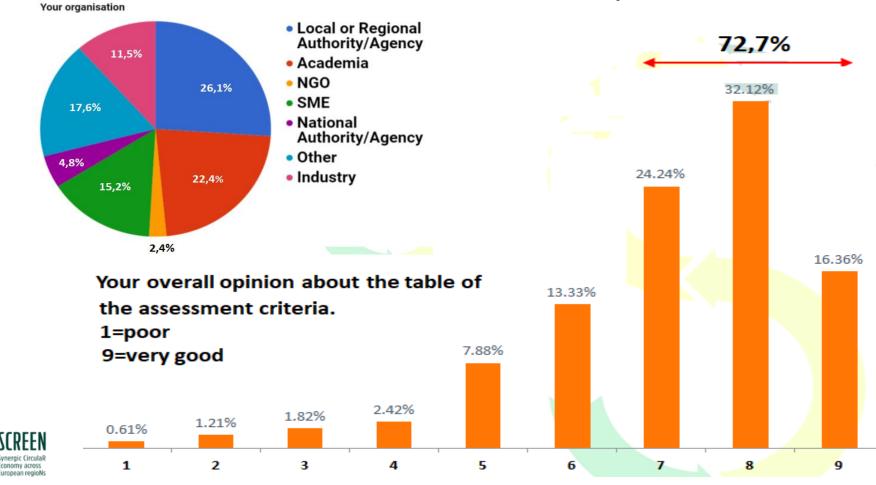
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#### Body:

SCREEN Policy Lab has been working on criteria to be used for evaluating the "circularity" of projects, in order to help the evaluators to make a clear and transparent ranking list. SCREEN needs to collect feedback from external stakeholders, particularly from those expected to apply for regional funding. Your opinion is therefore important and will have an influence on the definition of the final set of criteria that will be used by the SCREEN regions. You can fill in the online questionnaire until 11<sup>th</sup> of May.

Go to questionnaire website

## 165 Answers, 43 Comments



## **Brief resume of the comments received**

- Useful tool towards the definition of CE projects
- Eco-design projects should gain more attention
- Excessive focus on waste matter
- Avoiding waste !!
- Please, simplify the table
- Detailed comments received from the Dutch Ministry of Infrastructures, together with a proposal for a cooperation in this field



	N.	CRITERION	Explanation	Metrics	Additional parameters	Assessment indicator	Weight	
PRODUCTION	1	ECO- Design	Re-shaping the first stage of an industrial process (Product design) in order to reduce the waste generated AND/OR increase the life of the final product	Kg/year of virgin material avoided through the new process AND/OR by the prolongation of the product's life	Economic value of the virgin material (€/Kg)	Metrics x additional parameter (€/year)	10	
	2	New production process accepting "secondary raw material"	Replacement , total or partial, of virgin material with "secondary raw material"	Kg/year of virgin material avoided through the new process	Economic value of the virgin material (€/Kg)	Metrics x additional parameter (€/year)	8	
CONSUMPTION	3	RE-Use, Re-Manufacturing, Refurbishment,	Prolongation of the life of a certain product that otherwise will be disposed	Kg/year of virgin material avoided by the prolongation of the product's life	Economic value of the virgin material (€/Kg)	Metrics x additional parameter (€/year)	8	
DISPOSAL	5	Mass of waste resources recovered and re-introduced in a production <u>cycle as secondary raw material</u>	The new process generates waste that can be re-used in the same process or in another production process	Kg/year	Economic value of the secondary raw material(€/Kg) minus Cost of its transport to the production site (€/Kg) (*)	Metrics x additional parameter (€/year)	8	
	6	Project promoting waste recycling	Promotional campaign with a specific target producing a specific waste	Waste produced by the target Kg/year	Cost of disposal (€/Kg)	Metrics x additional parameter (€/year)	6	
ENVIRONMENTAL CRITERIA	7	"Net Energy balance respect to the previous system" or "Amount of energy recovered"	Energy (KWh) used in the old process <u>per unit of product divided by</u> energy used in the new process for the same unit of product	Number that can be lower or higher than 1		Metrics (the number in column C)	1 (the	
	8	Reduction of emissions	Emissions of CO2 (**) generated by the old process <u>per unit of product</u> divided by emissions used in the new process for the same unit of product	Number that can be lower or higher than 1		Metrics (the number in column C)	assessment indicator is "per se" a	
SOCIAL CRITERION	9	Net balance of jobs	Number of new jobs created by the circular economy project, minus the number of jobs lost in the previous linear process	N = Number of full time working units (can be positive or negative)	P = Number of full time woking units in the old process	$1 + \frac{(N)}{P}$	weight )	
Applicants may select <u>only one</u> of these two boxes		Implementation of "CIRCULAR PROCU	<b>REMENT" in the project</b> (tick the box if relevant)	The weight of the related project is increased by 50%				
		Educational projects targeted to releva	ant stakeholders (tick the box if relevant)	The weight of the related project is increased by 20%				

(\*) In case the secondary raw material does not have a final destination but is just "put on the market", the weight is reduced from 8 to 7

(\*\*) In case of other pollutans, a table of equivalence should be used to convert them into CO2 equivalent emissions - https://climatechangeconnection.org/emissions/co2-equivalents/



# Rev 3.0 elaborated according to the feedback, including instructions and an example of its application

## **Extract from the feedback received by DG ENV** (after a meeting held on September 2018)

- We welcome the initiative and the link to the indicators used in the EU monitoring framework, but some key issues are missing.
- Some remarks on both the choice of the indicators and on the weighting criteria used to get the overall index.
- A general formula for calculating the final score and the link to the cells in the Table is not clear
- Plus several specific comments on each criterion



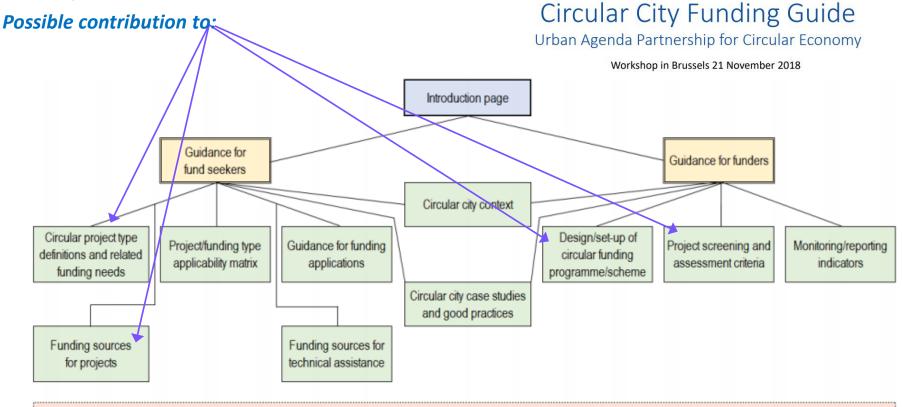
## What we are doing after the end of the project

- Further elaboration and internal discussion (Policy Lab)
- Tests in real cases by the Regions (on a voluntary basis...)
- Cooperation with the Rijkswaterstaat
- Cooperation with the "Circular City Funding Guide" (see next slide)
- A new meeting as a SCREEN Policy Lab to show the new table









Links from level 3 pages to existing sites, documents and other resources where justified and needed

## More details in the next presentations.....

### Thank you for your attention!

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