

ACR+ international conference on waste and climate change

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Association of Cities and Regions for Recycling and Sustainable Resource Management

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We are:

An association of nearly 90 members who have the shared aim of promoting the sustainable consumption of resources and management of waste through:

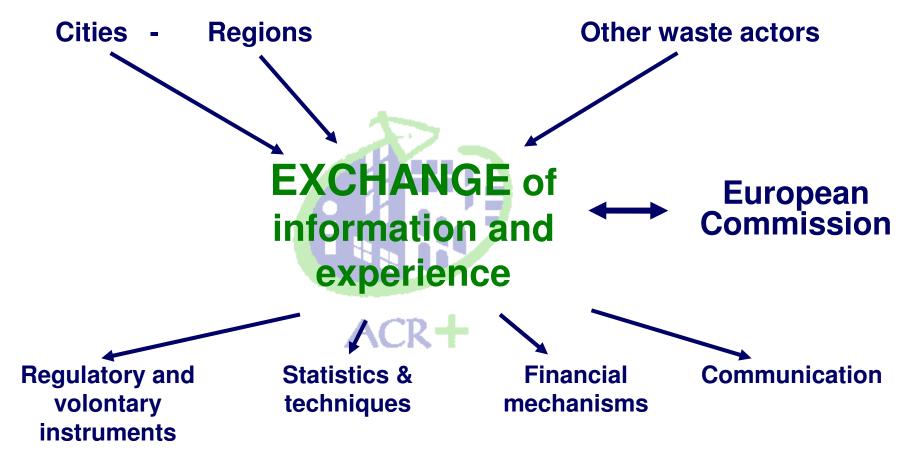
- -Waste REDUCTION
- -Product REUSE
- -Waste RECYCLING
- -Waste RECOVERY
- -New Cycle RESSOURCES.



Aims:

- expertise and skills of public authorities
- practical action in waste management and sustainable consumption
- cooperation and partnership for eco-efficient solutions

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...about WASTE-PRODUCT-RESSOURCE

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Exchange & partnerships

Newsletters
Conferences and
Seminars
Working groups
Studies
Projects
Campaign...







CAMPAIGN





European Campaign for Waste Reduction

- Based around "100kg less waste per inhabitant per year" concept
- "Clusters" of experts on four main waste flows
- European Week on Waste Reduction



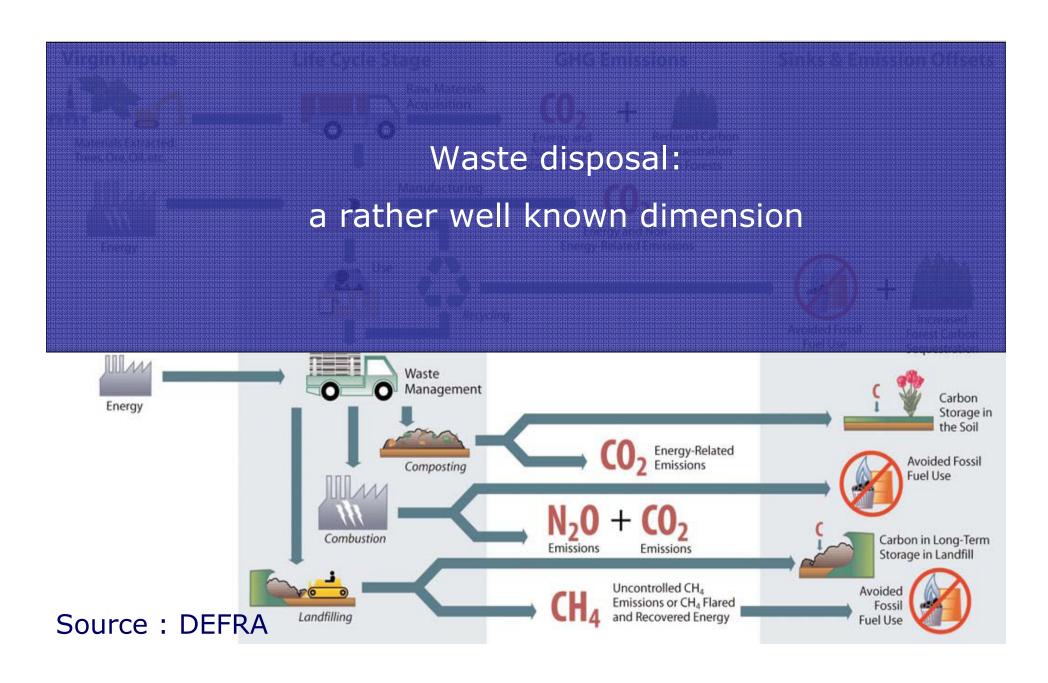
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- WASTE DISPOSAL AND CLIMATE: A RATHER WELL KNOWN DIMENSION
- RECYCLING: AN INCREASINGLY WELL KNOWN DIMENSION
- WASTE PREVENTION: THE MISSING LINK

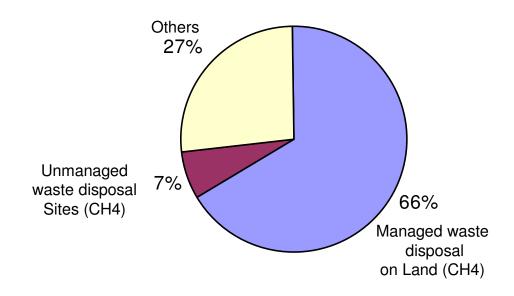
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DISPOSAL: a rather well known dimension

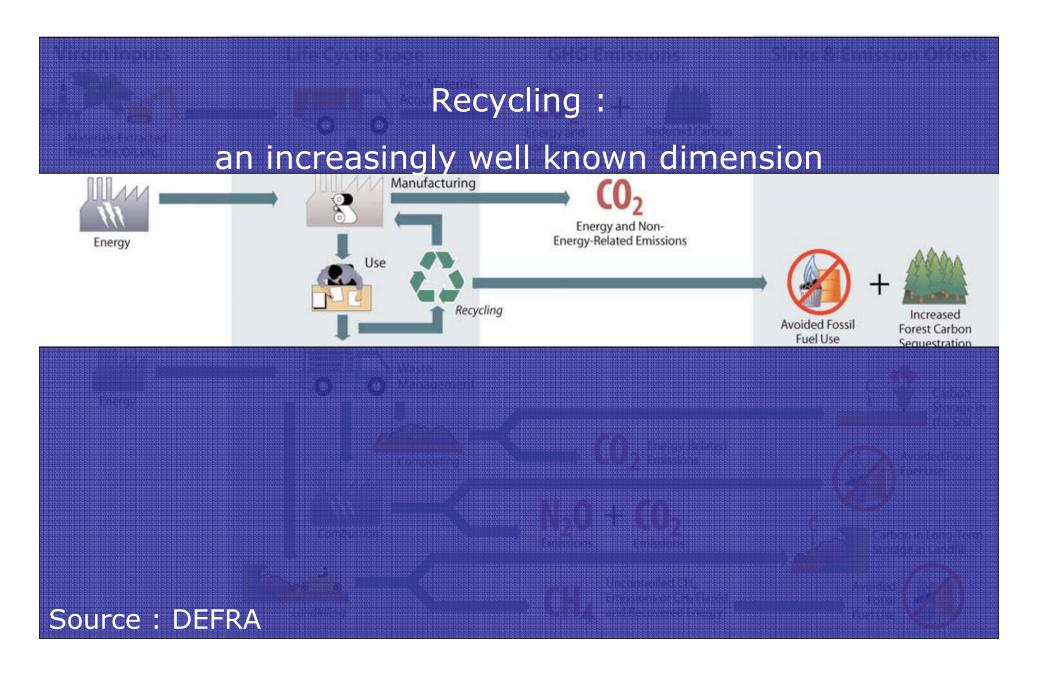
GHG emissions from the waste management sector in EU15-2003

Waste disposal = 2.6% of total GHG emissions in the EU25



Environmental Outlooks : municipal waste, ETC/RWM 2007

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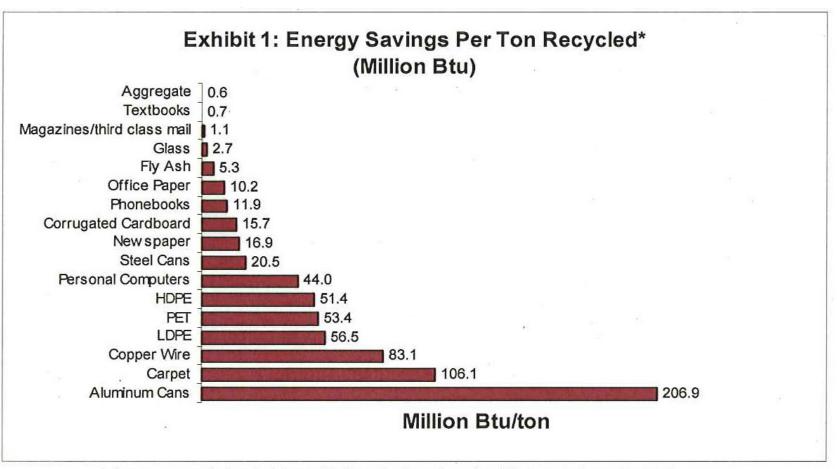
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GHG emissions savings in EU

	Amounts recycled (Mt)	GHG emissions savings (MtCO ₂ eq)
Aluminium	3.9	35.5
Ferrous metals	86	129
Glass	8.2	2.5
Paper	45.5	41
Plastics	2.5	3.6
Total	146	212

Source: European Commission

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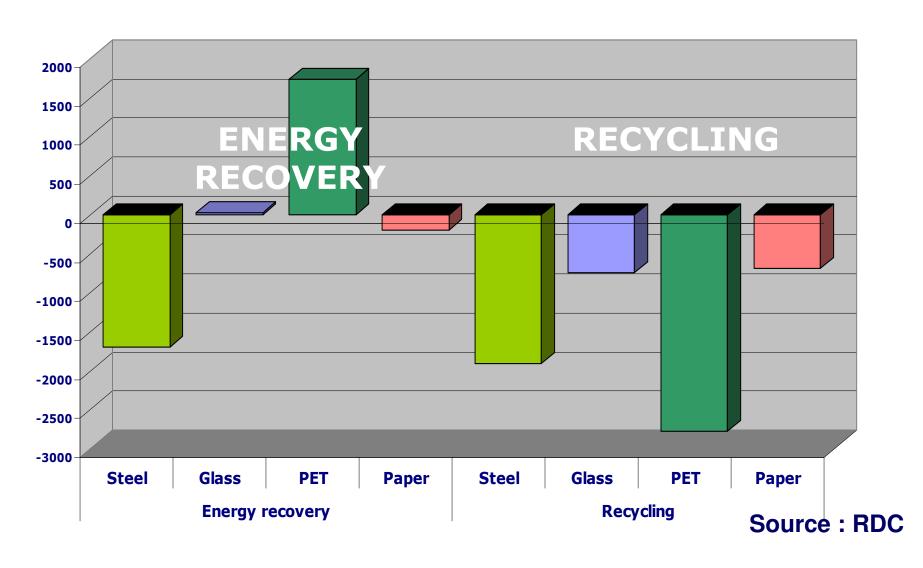
^{*} Assumes recycled materials would otherwise have been landfilled. Includes embedded energy.

Source: U.S. EPA

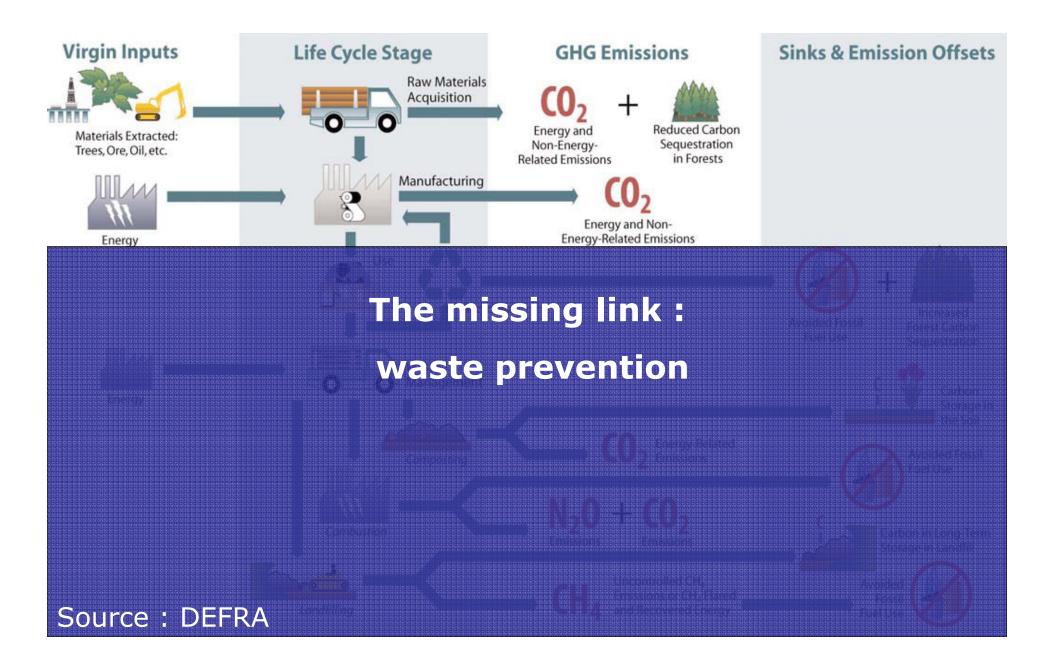
And a confirmed hierarchy

Recycling vs Energy Recovery

(18% ER efficiency, biogenic Carbon excluded)

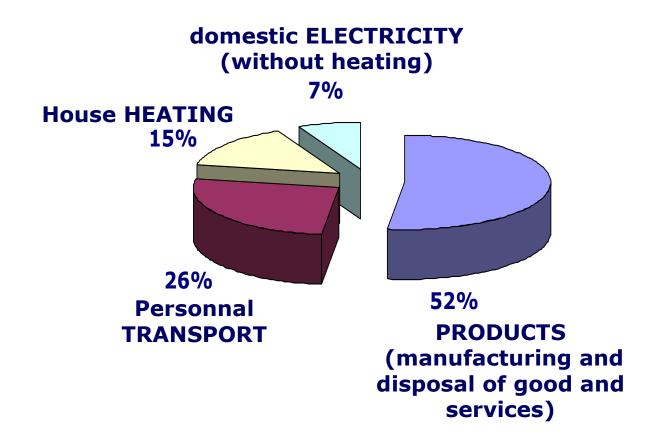


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Despite its major importance

Distribution of greenhouse effect by field



Source: ADEME

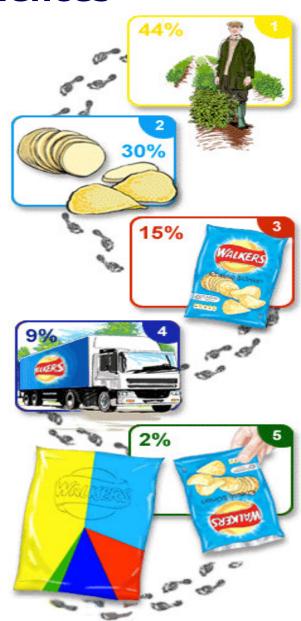
And some pioneering experiences



Carbon Footprint of Standard packet of Walkers Cheese & Onion Crisps = 75 g

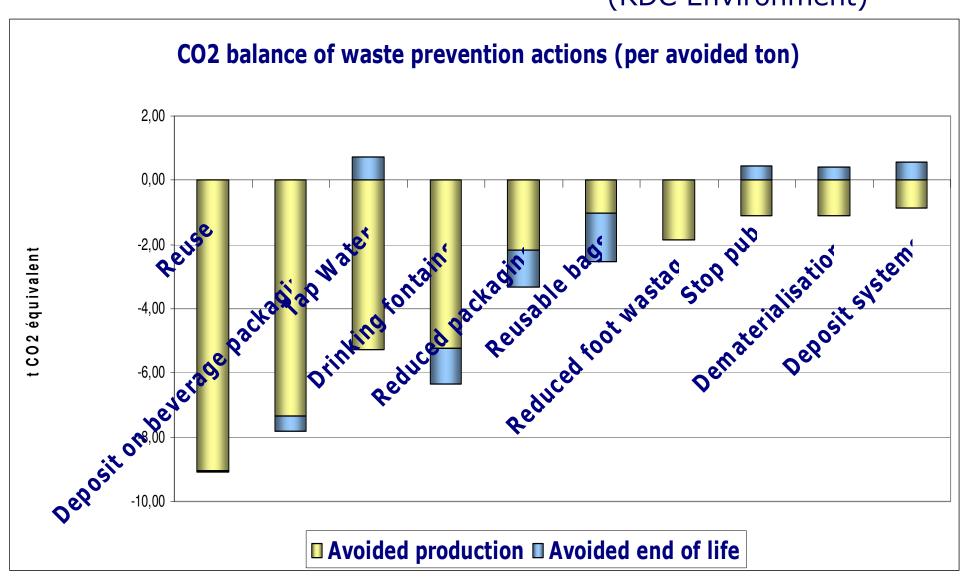


Source: walkerscarbonfootprint.co.uk/



GHG emissions savings from waste prevention in Brussels

(RDC Environment)



To discuss



- The links between waste and ...energy + sustainability
- The life cycle analysis methodologies
- The CO2 balance of the 5(and more) stepwaste hierarchy:
 - reduction at source / remanufacturing and reuse/paper-plastics-others material recycling/composting/anaerobic digestion/incineration/residual waste management/waste collection and transport/...