European Social Partners’ project on Circular Economy
Cluster seminar
Italy - Poland - Greece - France
20 April 2021 - online

Agenda

9.15-9.30 Connecting to the seminar

09:30 - 09:45 Welcome and introduction to the project and seminar
BusinessEurope - Rebekah Smith, Deputy Director Social Affairs
SMEUnited - Liliane Volozinskis, Director Social Affairs
SGI Europe - Guillaume Affelat, Policy Advisor Social Affairs
ETUC - Ludovic Voet, Confederal Secretary

09:45 - 10:15 Introduction to Circular Economy
Laurent ZIBELL, Trinomics (10’)
  • EU Circular Economy Action Plans (2015 and 2020)
  • Circular Economy indicators for the participating Member States + whole EU
Kari Herlevi, Project Director, Circular economy for biodiversity, Sitra (10’)
Questions & Answers (10’)

10:15 - 10:30 Break

10:30 - 11:30 Impacts on employment volume and competitive position
Moderator: Cecilia Serrano-Piedecasas, BusinessEurope

Speakers/Presentations (40’)
  • Laurent ZIBELL, Trinomics (Preliminary findings of the study)
  • Mounir Mestari Trade Union Delegate at Force Ouvrière Renault & Laurent Giblot, Trade Union Delegate at CGT Renault
• Renault management representative tbc
• Yannis Sidiropoulos, Hellenic Federation of Enterprises SEV

Followed by panel discussion among speakers and Q&A with participants (20’)

11:30 - 11:45 Break

11:45 - 12:45 Impacts on qualifications & skills, forms & organisation of work, health & safety
Moderator: Felix Mailleux, Advisor, ETUC

Speakers/Presentations (40’)
• Laurent ZIBELL, Trinomics (Preliminary findings of the study)
• Katarzyna Możykiewicz, ANIKA Stanisław Butka - Polish SME (ZRP)
• Ioannis Gkoutzamanis - Greek General Confederation of Labour
• Paolo Pirani, Italian Union of Textile, Energy and Chemical Workers (UILTEC)

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12:45 - 13:45 Lunch Break

13:45 - 14:30 National break-out sessions
In each session, discussion among participants:
• Challenges and opportunities brought by the transition to a Circular Economy, including for specific sectors
• Reflections on potential joint actions by social partners

Group 1: Italy
Group 2: Poland
Group 3: Greece
Group 4: France
(Sessions will include national social partners and national sectoral social partners - participants to be decided jointly at national level. One rapporteur to be appointed by each group.)

14:30 - 15:30 Sharing of conclusions from break-out sessions
Moderators - Rebekah Smith, BusinessEurope & Felix Mailleux, ETUC
Feedback from rapporteur of each group

15:30 - 15:45 Conclusions and wrap-up by European social partners
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