European Social Partners’ project on Circular Economy
Final Conference on 14 October 2021
Hybrid meeting | Brussels & Online

Agenda

09:45 - 10.00 Connecting to the seminar and registration of participants

10:00 - 10:15 Welcome and introduction
ETUC - Ludovic Voet, Confederal Secretary
SGI Europe - Guillaume Affelat, Policy Advisor Social Affairs
SMEUnited - Liliane Valozinsksis, Director Social Affairs
BusinessEurope - Rebekah Smith, Deputy Director Social Affairs

10:15 - 11:15 Setting the scene: How will circular economy impact the world of work?
Keynote speech: Esther Goodwin Brown, Circle Economy - Context
Presentation of project’s main findings and conclusions
Laurent ZIBELL, Senior Consultant Circular Economy, Trinomics
Q&A with audience

11:15 - 11:30 Break

11:30 - 13:00 What role for Social Partners in the transition to Circular Economy?
Presentation of European Social Partners’ recommendations
Ludovic Voet, Confederal Secretary, ETUC
Discussion panel moderated by Henriette Gleau, SGI Europe
Mauro Scalia, Director for Sustainable Business, Euratex
Dr. Davide Scaglione, Head of Waste Water Treatment, Gruppo CAP
Judith Kirton-Darling, Deputy General Secretary, IndustriAll
Jan Willem GOUDRIAAN, General Secretary, EPSU
Q&A with audience

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch Break
14:30 - 16:00  How do policy-makers address the socio-economic challenges of the transition to circular economy?

Presentation of European Social Partners’ recommendations
Alexandre Affre, Deputy Director General, Business Europe

Discussion panel moderated by Ludovic VOET, ETUC

Rozalina Petrova, Cabinet member of EU Commissioner for Environment, Oceans & Fisheries
Frank Siebern-Thomas, Head of Unit, Fair Green & Digital Transitions, Research, DG Employment and Social Affairs
Eero Jalava Leading Specialist, Sustainability solutions, SITRA
Pia Björkbacka, International Adviser (Central Organisation for Finnish Trade Unions SAK)
Karoliina Rasi, Senior Adviser, Confederation of Finnish Industries
Q&A with audience

16:00 - 16:15  Conclusions and wrap-up by European social partners

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