

# FEAD BULLETIN N° 65 - 28 January 2022

## **Communication, Networking and Future Events**

- 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022: FEAD published a joint study. Efficient waste management has the potential to deliver major contributions towards the Paris Agreement. The key to achieving maximum CO2 avoidance is to make full use of recycling and waste-toenergy capacities.
  - You want to read more? Find here the full study.
- FEAD Biennial Conference & 40th Anniversary on 2nd June 2022, 10 12 at IFAT Munich

## **Ongoing Surveys and Consultations**

#### Basel Convention:

- The co-chairs of the <u>EWG on the RA</u> (Experts Working Group on the revision of Annexes) have invited members and observers to provide <u>written feedback</u> on the possible amendments of Annexes I (Categories of waste to be controlled) and III (List of hazardous characteristics) of the Basel Convention by 28 February 2022.
- Please provide us with any comments by 15 February 2022, COB.

### • Fertilising Products:

- FEAD participated on 26 January as observer to the final online ad-hoc meeting of the Group of Experts on Fertilising Products. Two draft Delegated Regulations (by-products and high purity materials) have been discussed to share final changes and comments. The final proposals will be published in the next few weeks and they will fully apply from 16 July 2022, together with Regulation EU 2019/1009.
- Find the minutes here.

### CARACAL Meeting:

- FEAD participated on 27 January as observer to the 43<sup>rd</sup> CARACAL Meeting (open session) dedicated to the REACH revision. Main discussion points were the reform of the authorisation, restriction and evaluation processes, information requirements, and the registration of polymers. A draft IA is expected in summer 2022 and the COM proposal end 2022. Stakeholders are invited to provide written comments by 24 February 2022.
- Find the minutes here

#### FEAD feedback:

 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022: FEAD provided <u>feedback</u> to the JRC Expert's consultation on separate waste collection.

## **Monitoring of EU Institutions**

### <u>Life of EU institutions</u>

#### State Aid:

 The new guidelines on state aid for climate, energy and the environment (CEEAG 2022) were formally endorsed on 27 January and are applicable from this date.

#### • Critical Raw Materials: Action Plan

 The French Presidency confirmed its intention to further discuss the Commission's Action Plan on critical raw materials over the next six months.

#### • Sewage Sludge Directive:

 The Commission is expected to publish the Evaluation during the second quarter of 2022.

#### • Single Use Plastic (Cups for Beverages and Food Containers):

 The <u>summary record</u> of the Committee for the adaptation to scientific and technical progress on Waste meeting held on 16 November 2021 was made available on 25 January 2022.

#### • Waste Framework Directive:

 The Commission launched a 4-week public consultation on its call for evidence for an impact assessment on 25 January 2022.

### <u>European Commission Directorate-General for Climate Change:</u>

 The Directorate-General is expanding which means including 5 Directorates-General (instead of 3) and 17 units (instead of 11).

## • European Parliament ENVI Committee:

• The committee has grown from 81 to 88 members following the Parliament's traditional mid-term internal reorganisation. The newcomers are Hildegard Bentele (right, EPP), Michal Wiezik (Renew), Mathilde Androuet (ID), Cornelia Ernst for the united left (The Left), Raffaele Fitto and Nicola Procaccini (CRE) and finally the president of the Social Democrats, Iratxe García Pérez.

## **Press Review & Reports**

- ENDS Policy briefing: Why political agreement on the Batteries Regulation is proving elusive
  - ENDS Europe looks at how France hopes to secure an agreement on new rules for how batteries should be made,

- used and disposed of, where both its Portuguese and Slovenian predecessors failed.
- Read the full article <u>here</u>.

# Plastics Recyclers Europe – PET packaging moving steadily towards circularity

- New data for collection, recycling capacity and production for 2020 show increases in all measured factors, indicating a steady move towards circularity of the PET industry in Europe.
- Read the new report <u>here</u>.

# Euractiv – Simpler design seen as key to recycling-friendly food wrappers

- Simple design and using at least 90% of the same plastic is the key to making packaging for foods like crisps and chocolate easier to recycle, according to the industry.
- Read the full article here.

## Webinars & Conferences

- Businesseurope The future of the ETS and industrial competitiveness in Europe – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> of February 2022, 16:00 – 17:00 CET
  - With the reform of the ETS fully under way, the questions many in industry are asking are: How can the increased ambition be implemented without undermining the business cases for European companies?
  - Register here.

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