

“Fast-tracking a Circular Economy in the EU”

European Parliament, room PHS4B001, March 19, 2019, 14h00 – 18h00

14:00 – 15:00: Session I – Stock-taking (chair: **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP)

14:00 Welcome and introductory comments - **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP, President of GLOBE EU

14:15 Keynote address - **Jyrki Katainen**, Vice-President, the European Commission

14:30 Remaining challenges – **Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy**, MEP

14:45 A discussion with the audience

15:00 – 16:00: Session II – A Stakeholders’ Outlook (chair: **Benedek Jávor** MEP)

15:00 A think tank perspective – **Vasileios Rizos**, Research Fellow & Head of Circular Economy, CEPS

15:10 A workers’ perspective – **Luc Triangle**, Secretary General, industryAll European trade union

15:20 An industry perspective – **Carolien van Brunschot**, Manager, Circular Economy, WBCSDF

15:30 A local government perspective – **Harriët Tiemens**, Vice-Mayor, City of Nijmegen

15:40 A discussion with the audience

16:00 Break

16:30 – 18:00: Session III – Priorities for the next EU legislature (chair: **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP)

16:30 Panel discussion with: **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP (President, GLOBE EU)
Bas Eijkhout MEP (Greens lead candidate)
Janez Potočnik (Co-Chair, UN International Resource Panel)
Eline Boon (Senior Policy Analyst, The Ellen MacArthur Foundation)

17:15 A discussion with the audience

17:45 Recommendations on fast-tracking circularity in the EU – **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP

18:00 End