

Plastics: Circular Economy solutions to combat Marine Litter

17 September 2020 (10.00 EEST)

10.00-10.30 Introduction & Official Greetings

- **Vassileios Gounaris**, President of the Association of Hellenic Plastics Industries
- **Prof. Dr. Konstantinos Aravossis**, General Secretary of Physical Environment and Waters, Hellenic Ministry of Environment and Energy
- **Sokratis Famellos**, Department of Environment and Energy SYRIZA
- **Soren Gade**, MEP, Vice – Chair of the Fisheries Committee

10.30-12.00 Presentations

- **10.30 – 10:40 Rivers as a pathway for plastic debris transport into the oceans**
Dr. Christian Schmidt, UFZ Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research
- **10.40-10.50 What can be improved to avoid plastics waste ending up in oceans? By Waste Free Oceans**
Alexander Dangis, Managing Director, European Plastics Converters
- **10.50-11.00 Operation Clean Sweep : towards zero pellet loss**
Hervé Millet, Director of Climate and Production Council, PlasticsEurope
- **11.00-11.10 Alliance to End Plastics Waste – Industry’s contribution to combat Marine Litter**
Elisabeth von der Ohe, Project Manager, Alliance to End Plastic Waste
- **11.10-11.20 Aboard the Typhoon: Fighting Marine Litter in Greece**
Dr. Angeliki Kosmopoulou, Executive Director, A. C. Laskaridis Charitable Foundation.
- **11.20-11.30 BlueCycle: Applied circularity beyond plastic waste**
Susanna Laskaridis, Founder of the Blue Cycle



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- **11.30 – 11.40 Tackling marine litter in Greece: HELMEPA’s experience since the 1980s**

Constantinos Triantafillou, Assistant Executive Coordinator

- **11.40-11.50 “Zero Waste Future” community platform towards a World Without Waste.**

Sissy Iliopoulou, Public Affairs, Communications and Sustainability Manager Coca Cola Greece, Cyprus, Malta

- **11.50-12.00 Nestle pilots marine plastic mapping for targeted cleaning**

Dr. Paschalis Kastanas, Manufacturing Services Manager

12.00-12.30. Round Table Discussion: Avoiding waste becoming marine litter: Opportunities to address the issue in Circular Economy

Moderator: Costas Papachlimintzos, Journalist

- Alexandre Dangis, Managing Director, European Plastics Converters
- Giuseppe Riva, Director-Mediterranean Area, Plastics Europe
- Dr. Roubini Marini, Deputy Director of Prevention, Research & Communication., Deputy Director Inspections & Audit Unit, Hellenic Organization of Recycling
- Sotirios Kordas, General Secretary, Association of Hellenic Plastics Industries
- Dr. Petros Varelidis, Director of National Center of Environment and Sustainable Development

12.40. Conclusion

Vassileios Gounaris, President of the Association of Hellenic Plastics Industries