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Circular cities and regions that deliver for people

18-19 June 2024

Marseille (FR)
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DAY 1
18 June

08:30 Welcome coffee and registration

09:30 Welcome words and introduction: the issues at stake
   Anne Claudius-Petit, Region SUD
   Nadia Lamhandaz, CINEA LIFE Environment
   Maria Nikolopoulou, European Economic and Social Committee / European Circular Economy Stakeholder Platform.
   Jean-Michel Buf, President of the National Council for the Circular Economy and member of the ACR+ board of directors
   Iain Gulland, President of ACR+

10:00 No sustainable future without a just, sufficient, and circular society:
   Keynote speech and Q&A
   Janez Potočnik, Co-Chair of the UNEP International Resource Panel

10:45 No sustainable future without a just, sufficient, and circular society: Introduction speech
   Patrick Child, DG ENV, European Commission

11:00 No sustainable future without a just, sufficient, and circular society:
   Panel discussion and Q&A
   Christof Delatter, OVAM
   Stéphane Arditi, European Environmental Bureau
   Mira Toumi, Behaven
   Virginia Janssens, Plastics Europe
   Hosts: Tugce Tugran, Ernest Kovács (ACR+)

12:00 Visit of the exhibition featuring the ACR+ Photo contest winning pictures and the LIFE IP Smart Waste achievements

12:30 Lunch break*

14:30 Objective 2030: ACR+ members deliver concrete action
   The session includes administrative affairs (14:30 - 15:30) and interactive exchange between ACR+ members and guests (15:30 - 17:00)

17:00 Coffee break

17:30 EWWR 2023 Awards Ceremony

19:30 Cocktail followed by a networking dinner at Grotte Cosquer

Visit the exhibition on the LIFE IP SMART WASTE project and of the ACR+ Photo Contest throughout the day at the MUCEM forum.
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CLOSING CONFERENCE OF THE
LIFE IP SMART WASTE PROJECT

DAY 2
19 June

08:30 Welcome coffee and registration

09:30 Opening words
Anne Claudius-Petit, Region SUD
Cécile Chey, ADEME
Christine Leuthy, CITEO
Nadia Lamhandaz, CINEA LIFE Environment

10:00 Highlights of LIFE IP SMART WASTE: testimonies and discussions
on some of the project’s concrete achievements

Innovating in the fight against marine litter (CLS)
Promoting the creative circular economy and guiding professionals towards reuse (Les Petites Choses)
Renovating waste collection centres to improve waste sorting (CC ST TROPEZ)
Promoting responsible consumption and reducing unsorted waste (CC PAYS DE FAYENCE)
Generalizing the sorting gesture of our bio-waste and reduce the weight of our bin by 30%
Raising public' awareness on waste prevention (Communauté de Communes Serre Ponçon Val d'Avance)
Raising citizens' awareness on waste sorting at the scale of a metropolis of almost 2 million inhabitants! (Aix-Marseille-Provence Metropolis)

11:30 LIFE IP SMART WASTE beyond 2025: main results and ways of extending the project's dynamic from 2025!

Spotlight on LIFE Waste2Build (Toulouse Métropole) & Interreg Europe INERTWASTE (REGION SUD)
What's next? Dialogue between Anne Claudius-Petit (REGION SUD) and Nadia Lamhandaz, (CINEA)
Q&A

12:30 Lunch break*

*Food and refreshments will be provided to ACR+ members and guests during the lunch breaks.

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14:30  Sharing experience and best practices between circular economy players across Europe - site visits

Open only to ACR+ members and guests. 15 pers. max per visit - registration mandatory:
• Biodegradable food waste micro-methanisation plant at the Terrasses du Port
• Visit to a local Inclusive and Cooperative Service Hub designed to reflect the image of the Cours Julien and La Plaine retail communities (Marseille) and the creative values that drive them. La Butte Circulaire is an eco-responsible and circular space, designed to optimise the reuse of waste or produce goods locally "Made in la Butte" in a FabLab coworking environment. This site visit will be done by bike.

OR

Scaling-up innovative solutions: pathways to achieve zero waste in the Mediterranean

An interactive session with Interreg Euro-MED Innovative Sustainable Economy on the role of innovation in the Mediterranean in tackling waste challenges. The discussion will focus on:
• Local communities empowerment for meaningful and inclusive decision-making processes
• The role of research in informing and guiding zero-waste strategies
• Balance of zero-waste targets with socio-economic priorities in policymaking

16:30  Concluding remarks
17:00  Networking coffee

In parallel to the ACR+ General Assembly, the Interreg Euro-MED Innovative Sustainable Economy Mission Thematic Community Project is organising two days of interactive sessions and networking between organisations working for a more sustainable Mediterranean region. On 18 June, the Interreg Euro-MED Innovative Sustainable Economy (ISE) Mission Community of Practice will be launched. On 19 June, the first edition of the MED Innovation Day, a dynamic event that will enhance the vision of a desirable sustainable Mediterranean, will be celebrated.

Agenda and registration here
Practical details

Venue

The two-day conference (except the study visits) will take place at the **MuCEM - Musée des civilisations de l’Europe et de la Méditerranée**

7 promenade Robert Laffont (esplanade du J4) - 13002 Marseille

**Metro:** Vieux-Port or Joliette stop (approx. 10 min walk)

**Tram:** Line T2 République, Dames ou Joliette stop (approx. 10-15 min walk)

**Bus:** Line 82 or 82s (Littoral Major or Fort Saint-Jean stop)—Night Line 582
Line 60 (Littoral Major or Fort Saint-Jean stop)
Line 49 (Église Saint-Laurent, Littoral Major ou Fort Saint-Jean stop)

Public transport in Marseille: [www.rtm.fr](http://www.rtm.fr)

The dinner on 18 June will take place at **Grotte Cosquer** (Promenade Robert Laffont, Esp. J4).

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The sessions will be held either in French or in English. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

Pictures/videos

Pictures and videos will be taken for communication purposes. If you disagree, please contact the organisers.

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