OBJECTIVES

In order to support local and regional authorities in being ambitious on circular economy, ACR+ has developed a specific working group on circular economy planning. This working group, called “Circular Europe Network”, gathers ACR+ members committed to improve their resource strategies and strengthen the sustainable development of their territory.

The Circular Europe Network builds on the expertise of European front runners within the ACR+ network in order to gather, analyse and exchange information on efficient circular economy strategies implemented by cities and regions. Based on ACR+ vision for circular economy, the Circular Europe Network aims to work on the priorities defined by its members, delivering methodological tools and access to good practices on those priorities. The first areas of work are general guidelines on circular economy planning, followed by sectorial guidelines focusing on sustainable food and sustainable construction.

ACTIVITIES

Through its own website www.circular-europe-network.eu, the Circular Europe Network offers a virtual library providing numerous factsheets. Each of them focusing on one specific territory and offering an overview of the governance of the circular economy strategy, the different instruments and actions at work on this territory. Additionally, all members of the Circular Europe Network can find its General guidelines for circular economy planning. This document aims to clarify circular economy, its concept and objectives; and to present circular economy in a practical approach.

In order to increase the skills of public authorities’ staff and to facilitate the transfer of circular economy good practices, ACR+ actively works on developing and implementing training schemes, capitalising on its experience and projects.

ACR+ is involved in several European initiatives, such as the European Circular Economy Stakeholder Platform (ECESP) and the Urban Agenda Partnership on Circular Economy (UAPCE), and will continue to use these collaborations to promote good practices from its members and synergies between ACR+ work and the further activities of these initiatives. As member of the advisory board of the H2020 project SCREEN on synergies between European regions on circular economy, ACR+ also participates to the SCREEN Policy Lab, providing input and review of the SCREEN project deliverables.

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