



REgional PoLicy Actions for Circular Economy

**Kick-off meeting
Bruxelles, 11 October 2019**



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Lead partner



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Project Scope



REPLACE has the goal of integrating, deploying and capitalizing on lessons learnt through the H2020 project SCREEN (www.screen-lab.eu), by engaging policy makers and Managing Authorities with the common objective of improving Regional Operational Programmes (ROPs) and their performances in the field of Circular Economy, to be in line with the Circular Economy Action Plan of the European Commission.

Sub-objectives

- ✓ collect, learn and share best practices for the adoption of **SCREEN tools** to determine circular value chains and cross regional synergies
- ✓ promote integration of **new synergic financial instrument**, within funding programmes and sectoral/development plans

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1. learning from those partners that have already signed the **SCREEN Memorandum of Understanding**
2. improve **capacity of regional & local administrations** by aligning their actions, thanks to the adoption of common standards, namely the **SCREEN assessment criteria**
3. shared and replicable method for benchmark, to determine “**circularity excellence level**” in each Region

Main outputs



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8 interregional policy learning sessions (4 training events and 4 learning output validation events)

1 Policy Learning Guidelines on identified themes/good practices in the application of the SCREEN tools and methodologies

7 Joint meetings on the development of Action Plans

1 Guidelines for the development of Action Plans

8 Regional Action Plans

8 Policy instruments improved

4 circularity tours, as knowledge exchange activities to discuss instruments and facilitating actions

1 "Survey among European frontrunner regions in Circular Economy"

Projects activities

Implementation in 2 phases

Phase 1 - Policy exchange of experiences (5 semesters), ending with production of 8 Action Plans (1 per each policy instrument addressed)

Phase 2 - Monitoring of Action Plan implementation + possible pilot actions (1 year)

Timetable Semesters Phase 1



I. 1st August 2019 – 31st January 2020

II. 1st February 2020 – 31st July 2020

III. 1st August 2020 – 31st January 2021

IV. 1st February 2021 - 31 July 2021

V. 1st August 2021 – 31st January 2022

I semester

1st August 2019 – 31st January 2020



- Kick-off meeting – Bruxelles
- 2nd meeting - Learning event for local analysis - Fryslan (2-3 December 2019)
- Circularity tour – Fryslan
- Activating and updating of REPLACE social media
- Updating of the REPLACE web page
- 1 newsletter

II semester

1st February 2020 – 31st July 2020



- 3rd meeting in Rome (evaluation of the local analysis and mapping tools)
- 4th meeting: Learning event in Crete (on cross-regional value chains)
- Updating of REPLACE social media
- Updating of the REPLACE web page
- 1 newsletter

III semester

1st August 2020 – 31st January 2021



- 5th meeting in North-East Romania (to validate the learning output of synergic cross-regional value chains)
- Circularity tour - North East Romania
- 6th meeting: Learning event in La Reunion (on funding synergies)
- N. 8 stakeholders consultation events
- Unpdating of REPLACE social media
- Updating of the REPLACE web page
- 1 newsletter

IV semester

1st February 2021 - 31 July 2021



- 7th meeting in Hamburg (how to include MoU in the administrative procedures?)
- Circularity tour in Hamburg
- 8th meeting in Centro (learning event on Assessment criteria)
- N. 8 local stakeholder meeting
- Updating of REPLACE social media
- Updating of the REPLACE web page
- 1 newsletter

V semester

1st August 2021 – 31st January 2022



- 9th meeting in Lodzkie (to validate the learning output related to the additional assessment criteria)
- Circularity tour in Lodzkie
- Approval of n. 8 Action Plans
- Updating of REPLACE social media
- Updating of the REPLACE web page

Phase 2

1 February 2022 – 31 January 2023

Implementation of the activities foreseen in the Action Plans

- Each partner monitors the Action Plan implementation by contacting the stakeholders and beneficiaries of the different actions
- Regular updates of the project website with information on the Action Plan implementation
- Final dissemination event

What is an Action Plan?



- Produced by each region, a document providing details on how the lessons learnt from the cooperation will be implemented in order to improve the policy instrument addressed within the region
- Specifies the nature of the actions to be implemented, their timeframe, the stakeholders involved, the costs and funding sources

Action Plan implementation

For each participating region, the Action Plan specifies concrete measures:

- From the interregional exchange of experience
- Implemented during phase 2 with our own resources

How to improve a policy instrument?

1. Implement **new projects**
2. Change programme **governance**
3. Change programme **content**

I semester 1st August 2019 – 31st January 2020

Output

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- 1 Partnership agreement
- 1 Communication strategy
- 2 project meetings: - Kick-off in Brussels, 2nd project event in Fryslan
- 1 circularity tour
- 8 Local analysis performed
- 2 social media accounts activated and updated
- 2 reports of project meetings
- 1 report of first circularity tour
- 1 newsletter
- 1st report on survey European frontrunner regions in circular economy
- 1 report on 'best practices and common barriers
- 1 semester report



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Thank you very much

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