

INC-3 Side Event 8

Promoting circular economy to retain plastics in the economy and out of the environment, including innovation and expanding the share of circular plastics

Thursday, 16th November 2023, 13:30 – 14:45, Room CR 10

Description

The circular economy is a promising approach to tackle plastic pollution that focuses on the entire lifecycle of plastic-containing products. Applying circular economy practices can move industries in plastic supply chains towards more innovative, resource efficient and sustainable production. Circular economy approaches help industries retain plastics in the economy, thus preserving the value embodied in them and preventing their leakage out of the economy and into the environment in the form of waste. Design will play a central role in making plastics more circular, ranging from the circular design of plastic-containing products to system-wide redesigns, which include but are not limited to extended producer responsibility, adequate measures to integrate the informal sector and circular business models. This side event will explore system design options along the product lifecycle, ranging from the production of plastic-containing products over goods manufacturing and retail to end-of-life management and pollution abatement.

Agenda

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
13:30	Welcome and opening remarks	Daniele Serra , UNIDO
13:35	Country intervention on political aspects of circular plastics	Geovanna Polo Loayza , Ministry of the Environment, Water and Ecological Transition, Ecuador
	Inputs by panelists on system design of circular plastics	All panelists
13:40	Production of plastic-containing products	Rico Euripidou , groundWork South Africa
13:50	Goods manufacturing and retail	Cedric Dever , The Consumer Goods Forum (CGF)
14:00	End-of-life management	Taylor Cass Talbott , Advocacy Coordinator, International Alliance of Waste Pickers and Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO) and Ntabuti Brian Gisore , Kenyan National Waste Pickers Welfare Association
14:10	Pollution abatement	Ali Golden , TerraCycle Global Foundation
14:20	Country closing statement	Geovanna Polo Loayza
14:25	Discussion with the audience	Moderated by UNIDO
14:45	End	

Additional information

Food and refreshments will be provided in front of Room CR 10 ahead of the side event.