



The European Regulatory Framework on Circular Economy

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Background

2014: withdrawal of legislative proposal on waste

2015: first Circular Economy Package

- €650 million Horizon 2020
- €5.5 billion Structural Funds
- Food Waste
- Quality Standards for secondary raw materials
- Ecodesign measures 2015-2017
- Revised Regulation on fertilisers
- Actions for plastics and water reuse
- Legislative proposal on minimum requirements for the reuse of wastewater



Background

2017: Circular Economy Stakeholder Conference

- Plastics Strategy, Monitoring Framework, Water Reuse, interface between different policies

2018: second Circular Economy Package

- EU Strategy for Plastics in the Circular Economy
- Proposal for port reception facilities
- Communication on the interface between chemical, product, and waste legislation
- A Monitoring Framework
- A Report on 27 critical raw materials



“Hard” policy measures

Revision of **Directive on Waste, Directive on Packaging Waste, Directive on Landfill, Directive on electrical and electronic waste**

European Strategy for Plastics in a Circular Economy – design, production, use, and recycling; instruments to reduce single-use plastics; new EU-wide quality standards;

Port Reception Facilities proposal

New Bioeconomy Strategy including the **Circular Bioeconomy Thematic Investment Platform**

Revised **Regulation on fertilisers in the Single Market**

Minimum Requirements for water reuse in irrigation, domestic demand, and tourism



“Soft” policy measures

- Ecodesign
- Sustainable Sourcing
- Minimum conditions for producer responsibility schemes
- Best Available Technique Reference Documents (BREFs)
- European Resource Efficiency Excellence Centre
- EU Eco-Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS)
- Environmental Technology Notification (ETV)
- Environmental Footprint Pilots (2013-2016)



“Soft” policy measures

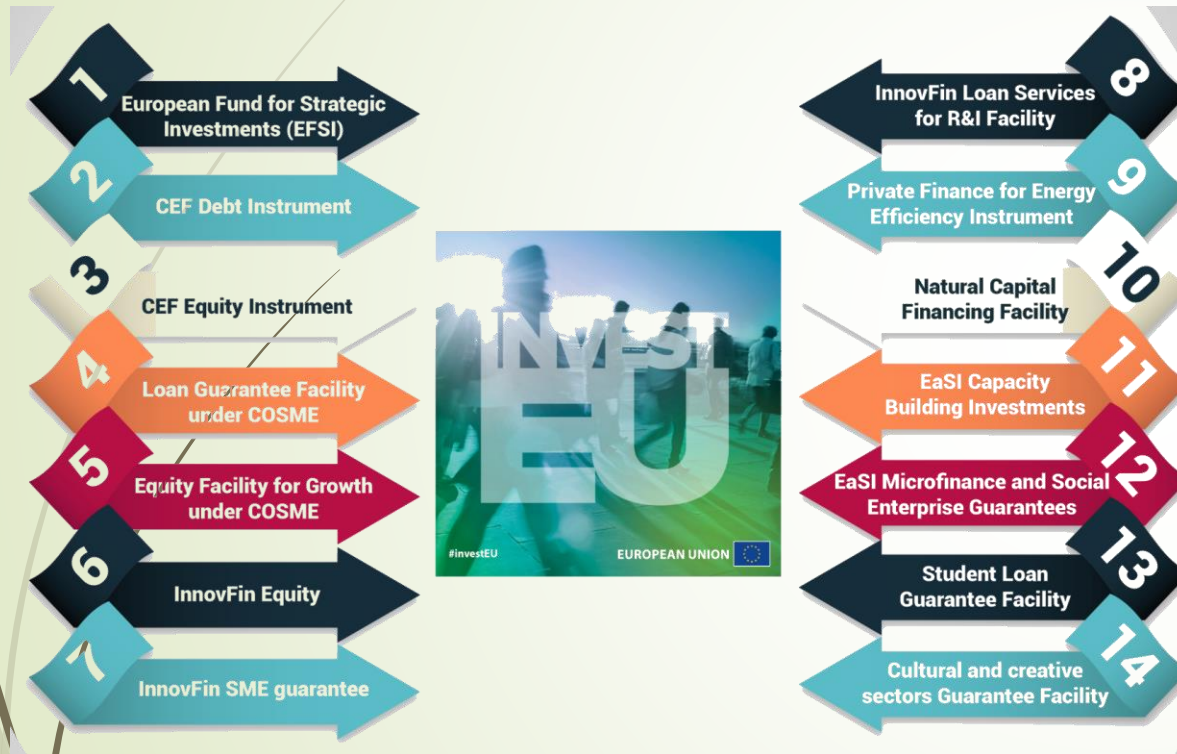
- Voluntary EU Ecolabel
- Implementation issues with 2-year guarantee and planned obsolescence
- EU Strategy for a non-toxic environment
- Platform for Food Waste
- “Best Before” labels
- Targeted guidelines for construction and demolitions
- New indicators for the environmental performance of buildings
- Circular Economy Monitoring Framework



“Soft” policy measures

- New own resource from the Multiannual Financial Framework based on plastics
- Support to Member States: Environmental Implementation Reviews, Structural Reform Support Services, and TAIEX peer-to-peer platform
- Green Employment Initiative

Funding



- Horizon Europe
- Cohesion Policy – Smart Specialisation
- LIFE and COSME programmes
- European Fund for Strategic Investment (EFSI) and EIB InnovFin Programme
- InvestEU



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