

1st Meeting of the EU Platform on Municipal Solid Waste Regulation & Governance: Governance Arrangements and Market Structure

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Online event

organized by FSR Water and Waste, European University Institute

Introduction

In 2020, the Florence School of Regulation produced a <u>paper</u> highlighting municipal solid waste (MSW) key data and challenges in Europe in terms of institutional setting, market characteristics, funding arrangements and current situation against MSW EU targets, underlining recent waste generation and treatment trends, and looking at future capital and operational expenditure required to reach MSW EU targets and the associated financing options.

The same year, two online events were held, gathering regulators, operators, professional associations, researchers, policy-decision makers, and financing institutions who shared their views on the current and forthcoming challenges of the sector.

It is time to consolidate this dialogue and work stream into a "European Platform on MSW Regulation and Governance" that will address key regulatory and governance issues, and thus contribute to pave the road for the necessary reforms and changes to successfully implement the EU Circular Economy Package.

To contribute and ensure a high-level and independent debate and research on economically and socially sound regulation and governance, the EU Platform on MSW Regulation and Governance will continue to gather a variety of stakeholders including regulators, operators, local authorities, the European Commission, academics and researchers, EU financial Institutions, etc.

The first meeting of the EU Platform on MSW Regulation and Governance will be held virtually on 16th November from 10am to 12:30pm and will focus on governance arrangements, cost analysis and market structure of the MSW sector in Europe with contributions from researchers, NGOs, regulators, and operators.



Programme

10.00 - 10.15 Welcoming words

Maria Salvetti | FSR, European University Institute Fabio Tambone | ARERA/Waste-Reg

10.15 - 10.25 **Open microphone session**

10.25 - 11.45 Governance Arrangements for Circular Economy

New regulation in Italy to close the waste cycle

Lorenzo Bardelli | ARERA

Urban Regions Shifting to Circular Economy: Understanding Challenges for New Ways of Governance

Andreas Obersteg | Hamburg University

From management to stewardship: A comparative case study of waste governance in New York City and Seoul metropolitan city

Seulki Lee-Geiller | Rutgers University

Is the waste sector rigged to meet todays megatrends? Conditions for innovation in waste management

Markus Bugge | Oslo University

The Concept of Generalised Extended Producer Responsibility (GEPR)

Ignasi Puig Ventosa | Fundació ENT

Q&A Discussion

11.45 - 12.20 Market Structure for Municipal Solid Waste

Introducing and enhancing competition to improve delivery of local services of solid waste collection

Marianna Sebo | University of Barcelona

Trade-off between competition and value chain integration in waste management industry **Alessandro Marangoni** | Althesys

Forthcoming research work: Cost Analysis & Market Structure

David Pfeffer | Paris School of Economics

Q&A Discussion

12.20 - 12.30 **Concluding words**

Francesca Mazzarella | Utilitatis/Utilitalia Maria Salvetti | FSR, European University Institute