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**WASTE LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE**



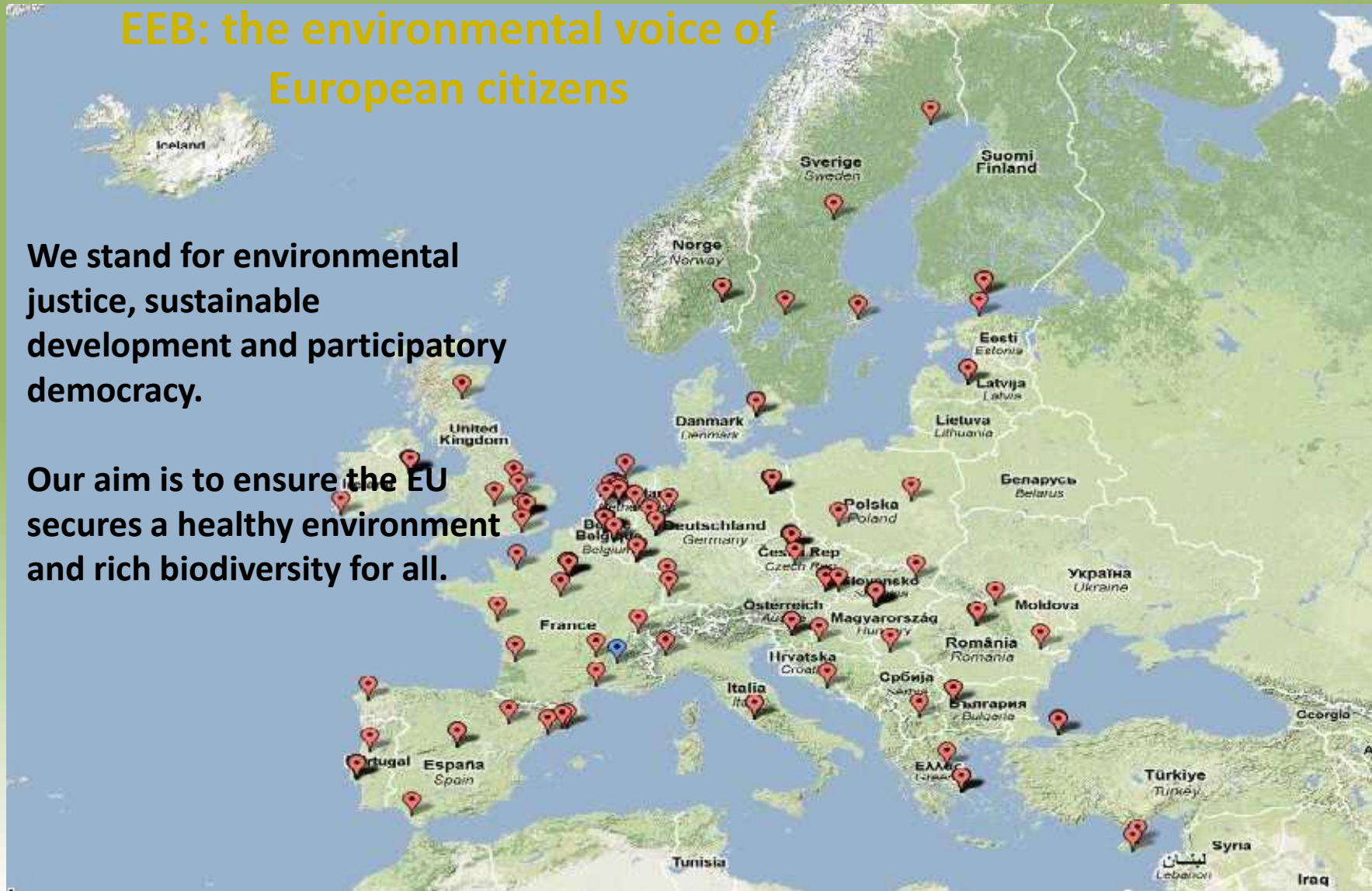
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# What is EEB?

**EEB: the environmental voice of European citizens**

**We stand for environmental justice, sustainable development and participatory democracy.**

**Our aim is to ensure the EU secures a healthy environment and rich biodiversity for all.**







Brussels, 12 December 2014

## EU Waste Package

### Joint Statement by Packaging Value Chain Industries

#### A growth-oriented circular economy for packaging and packaged goods in the Internal Market

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*The undersigned organisations<sup>1</sup> represent industries in the packaging value chain, which agree with the overall objectives of the Circular Economy package, but also share three key concerns (see below) relating to the proposed revision of the Waste Framework Directive (WFD) and Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive (PPWD).*

*The undersigned organisations are prepared to work constructively with the European Parliament, Council and Commission to improve these provisions so that future EU legislation is clear, workable and proportionate for the packaging value chain in Europe, and the growth and environmental objectives of the EU waste review may be realised.*



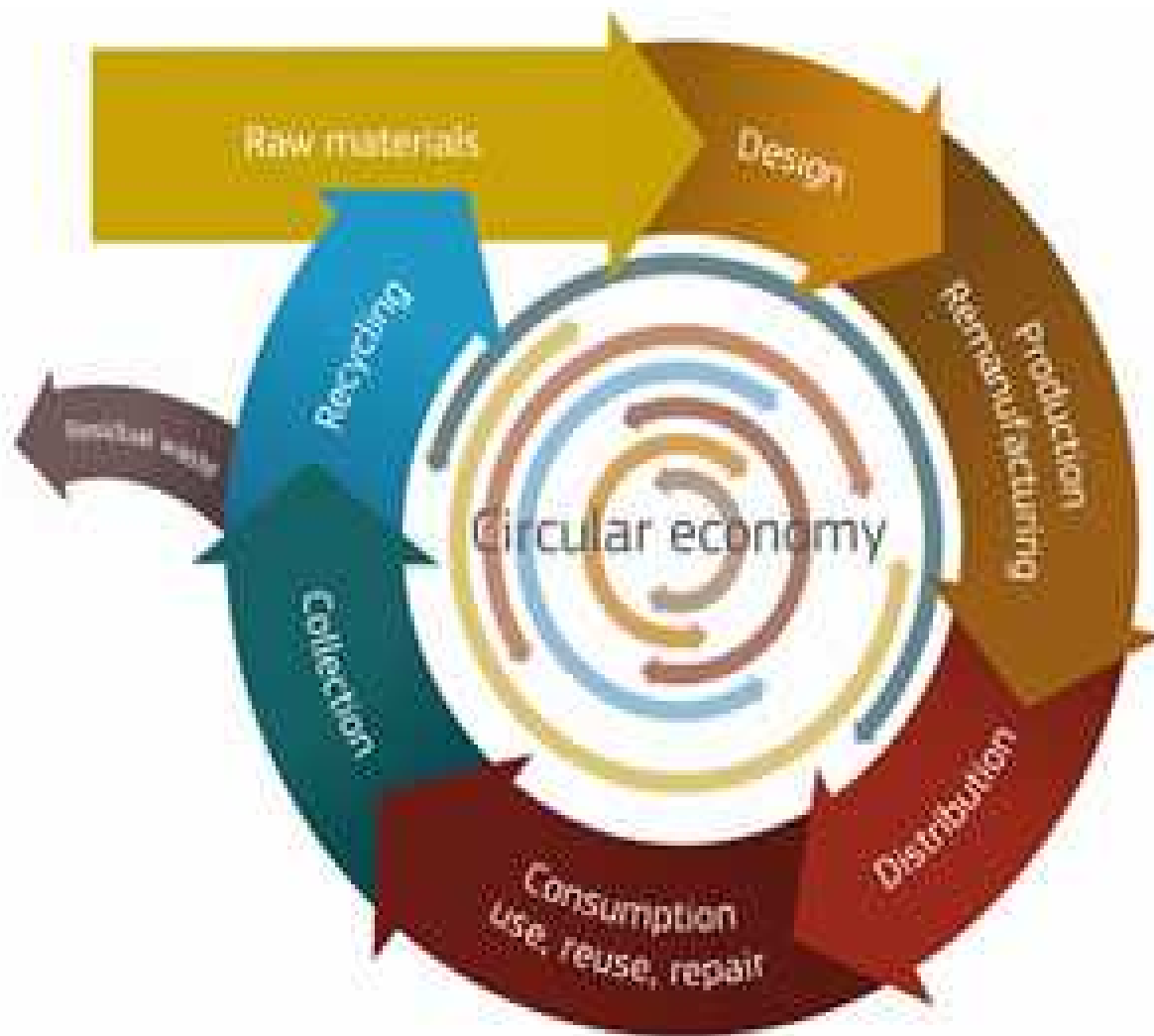
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<sup>1</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Environmental Action Programme in 2013, a progressive clean air policy and an efficient circular economy are of fundamental importance in achieving two of the 7<sup>th</sup> Environmental Action Programme's main objectives, namely "to turn the Union into a resource-efficient, green and competitive low-carbon economy" and "to safeguard the Union's citizens from environment-related pressures and risks to health and well-being".



**1. Slow**  
(long life of products)

**2. Small**  
(no superfluous waste)

**3. Local**  
(territorial hierarchy)

# How to “repatriate” the industry back to Europe ?



Is it possible to bring it back???

Or is it better to incentivise the post consumption industry?



**MORE JOBS**  
Ambitious Scenario



**INTENSE  
REUSE**

+



**70%  
RECYCLING**

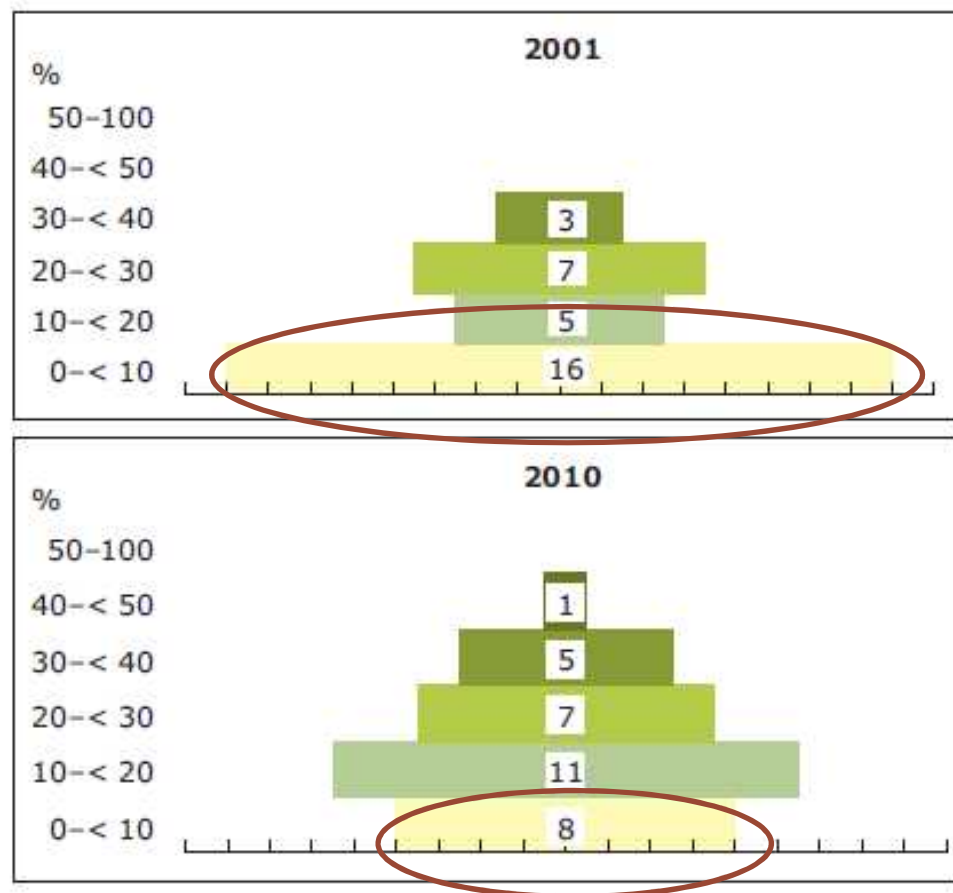
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**1/6  
UNEMPLOYED  
YOUTH BACK  
INTO WORK**

- How many jobs in incineration?

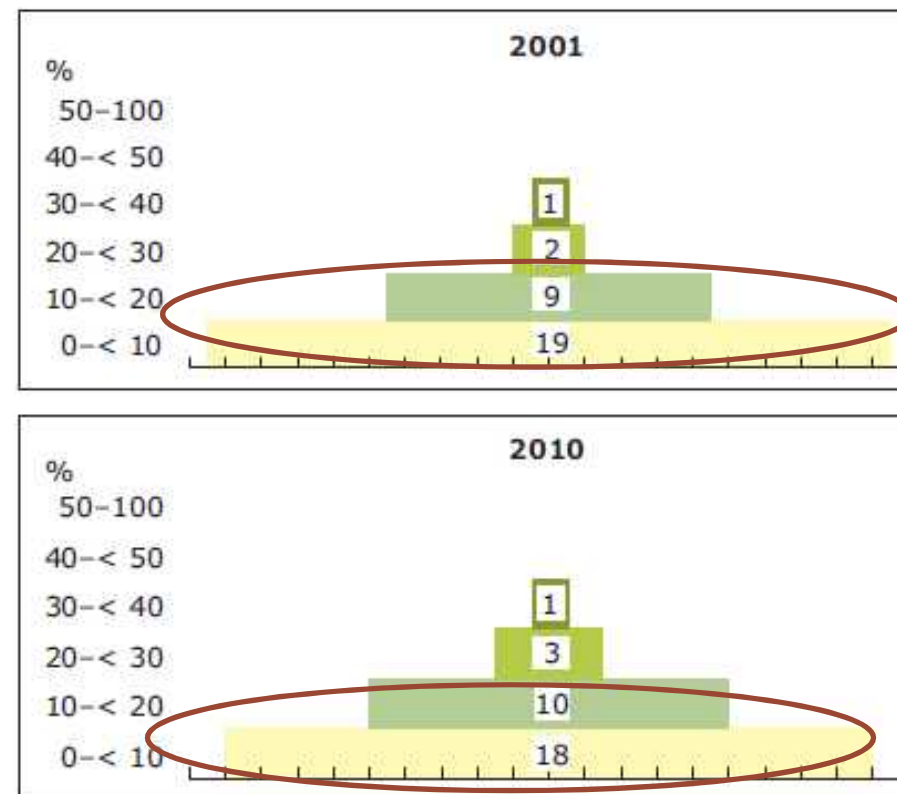
**Figure 2.9 Progress of European countries up the material recycling hierarchy, 2001–2010**



**Note:** Number of countries within each recycling interval indicated in the white boxes. Information is not available for one country in 2001.

**Source:** Eurostat, 2012a, 2012c; ETC/SCP, 2013a, 2013b, 2013d, 2013e, 2013f.

**Figure 2.11 Progress of European countries up the municipal bio-waste recycling hierarchy, 2001–2010**



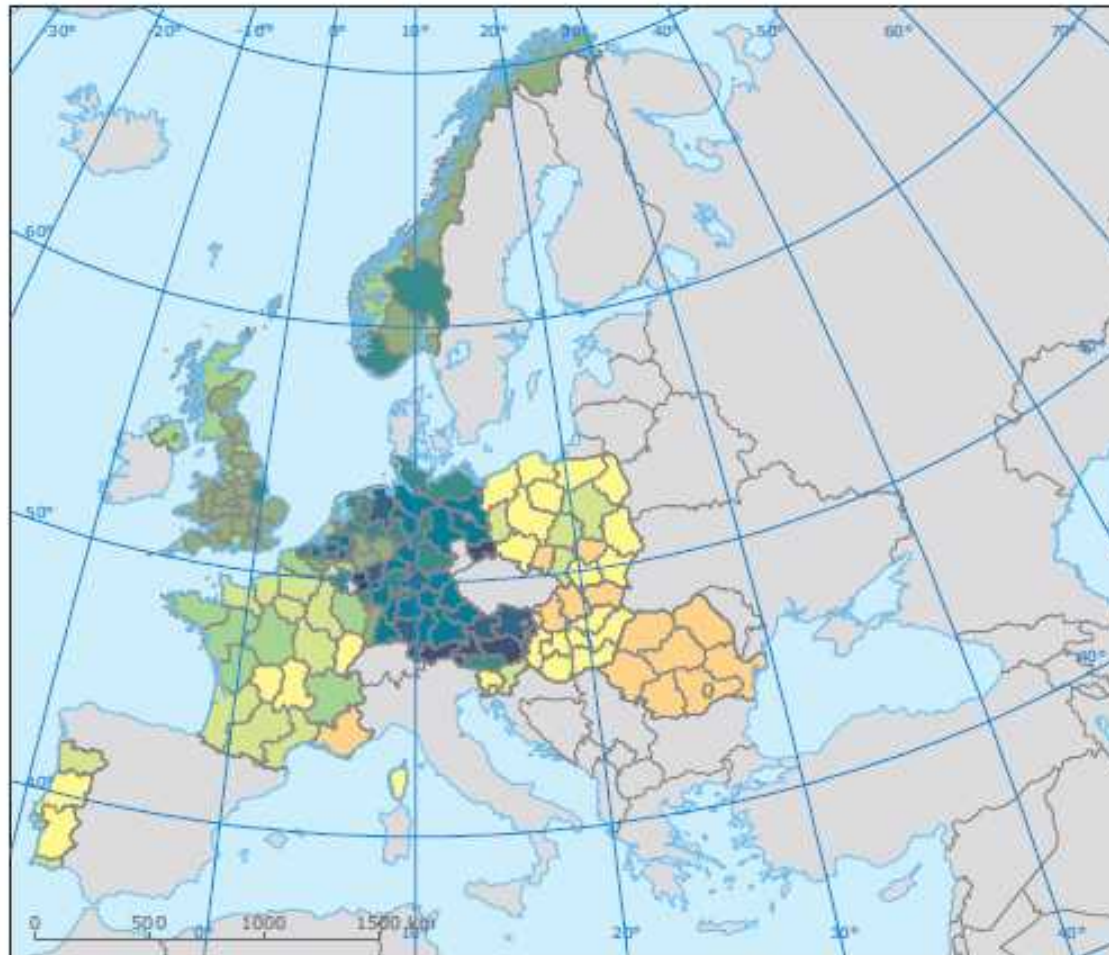
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# Addressing the heterogeneity in the EU

Map 2.1 Regional recycling rates for municipal solid waste, 2008/2009



Recycling of municipal waste, 2008/2009



## WE NEED EU WIDE:

- binding targets
- clear definitions
- clear calculations
- economic incentives
- Eco-design
- ... and more

# AMBITIOUS SCENARIO BY 2030



## NATURAL RESOURCES SAVINGS



**56,970 KM<sup>2</sup>**  
AVOIDED LAND USE  
(food waste reduction)



**60.9 MEGALITERS**  
AVOIDED WATER USE  
(textiles reuse/ prepare for reuse)



**1.02 Mt**  
AVOIDED FERTILISER  
& PESTICIDE USE  
(cotton production)

## GHG REDUCTION



PREVENTION

**84.3 Mt**  
AVOIDED GHG EMISSIONS  
(food waste reduction)



REUSE/PREPARING  
FOR REUSE

**30.7 Mt**  
AVOIDED GHG EMISSIONS  
(textiles & furniture)



RECYCLING

**OVER 303 Mt**  
AVOIDED GHG EMISSIONS  
(equals €1.2 BN monetary savings)\*



HIGHER RECYCLING AND REUSE  
**ADDITIONAL JOBS**  
(1/6 unemployed youth back into work)

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paid off swiftly,  
asset for the local  
the public purse.

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# EU-phemisms

*"We are changing our priorities in 2015"*



**We'll be failing to save the economy  
instead of failing to save the environment**

**JUST** before Christmas former universities  
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thumbs-down to Theresa May

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