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Chemicals/Product/Waste Working Group

17 March 2020 | Conference call

Agenda

- CPW Working Group mandate and working procedure
- European Green Deal
- New Circular Economy Action Plan
- Future actions and next steps
- AOB

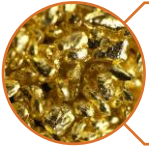




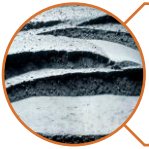
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CPW Working Group mandate and working procedure

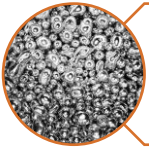
The aim of CPW Roadmap Working Group



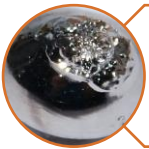
to provide a platform to better understand chemicals//product/waste regulations and guidelines



to exchange and discuss information, knowledge and best practices with WG members and external guests (European Commission, other relevant stakeholders, academia)



to monitor CPW subject, in particular the New Circular Economy Action Plan and its policies, on EU institutions level and brief it to WG members



to conduct advocacy strategy and activities towards EU policy makers



to prepare and ensure adequate contribution of precious metals interface between chemicals, products and waste legislation

Expected outputs

Secretariat

- closely monitor CPW issues on the EU institutions level and update the WG on the main developments
- advocate for the precious metals industry at the EU level (European Commission, European Parliament, EU Member States)
- inform the WG in a timely manner on new developments and policy issues regarding the New EU Circular Economy Action Plan and CPW Interface

Members

- provide input to the Secretariat in order to ensure the achievement of the WG purposes
- participate in WG meetings



Meetings



Discussion

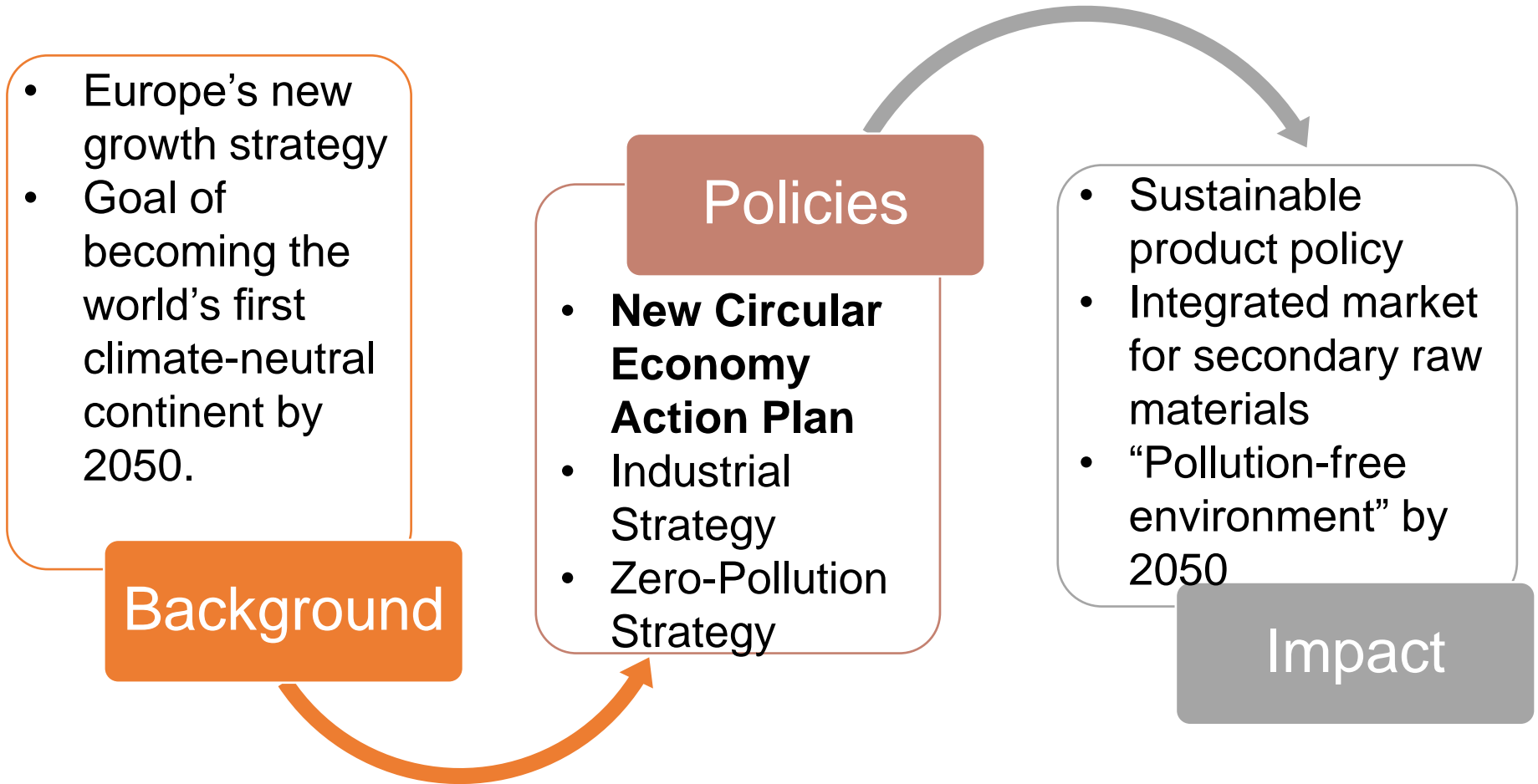




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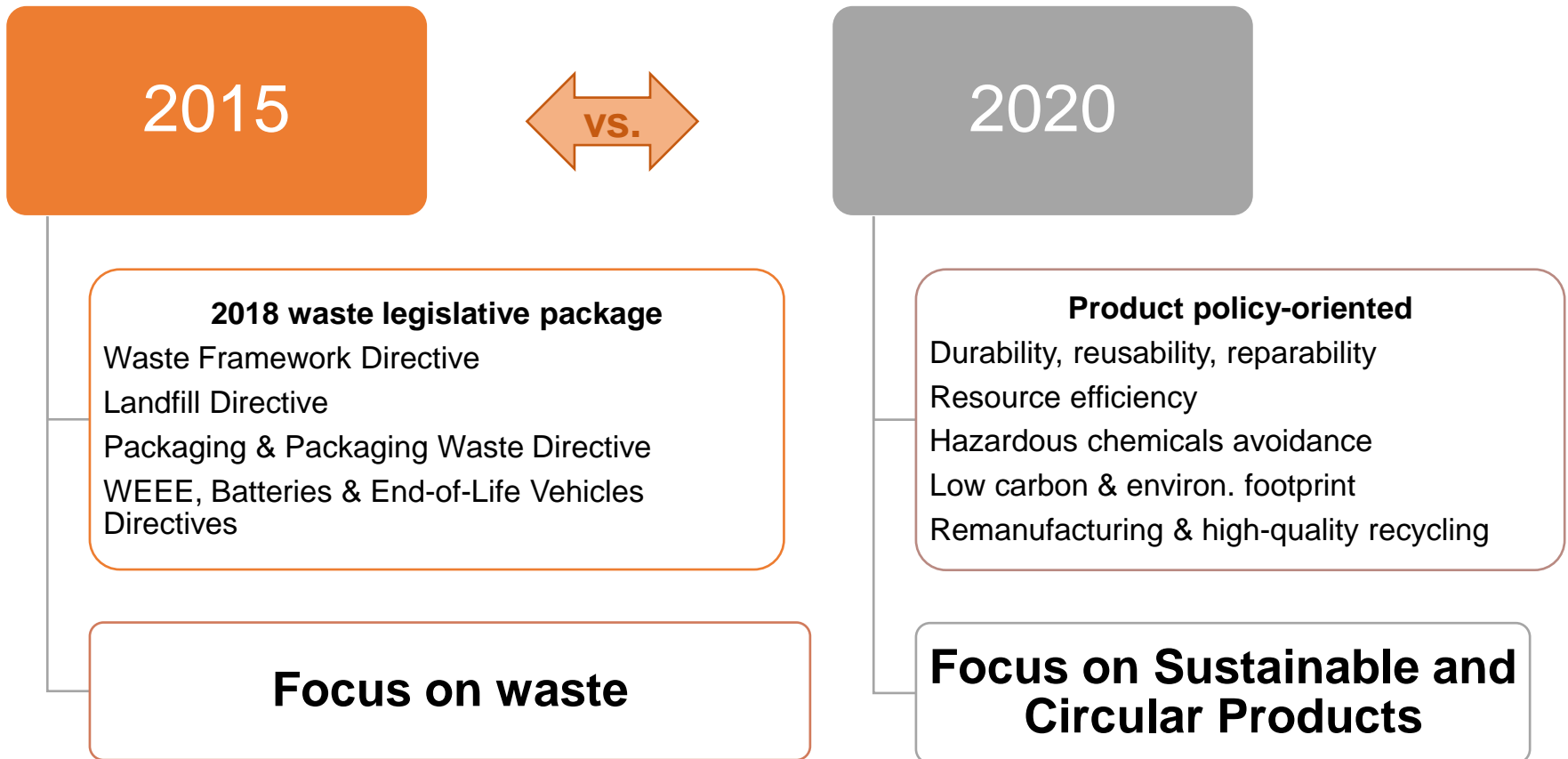




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New Circular Economy Action Plan

EU Circular Economy Action Plan



In more detail...



EU Circular Economy Action Plan



Initiatives along the entire life cycle of products, targeting their design, **promoting circular economy processes**, **fostering sustainable consumption**, and aiming to ensure that the **resources used are kept in the EU economy** for as long as possible

Make sustainable products the norm in the EU

Focus on the sectors that use most resources and where the potential for circularity is high, e.g. electronics and ICT; batteries and vehicles; packaging; construction and buildings

Ensure less waste



Key actions

A sustainable product policy framework

Key product value chains

Less waste, more value



What about waste?

- Less waste, more value
- Re-use and recycling of waste in the EU will be enhanced by a thorough review of EU rules on waste shipments
- Aim is to turn waste where possible into a resource
- Improve the collection and treatment of waste electrical and electronic equipment



...And what about chemicals



- Shift to 'safe-by-design chemicals' through the progressive substitution of hazardous substances to better protect citizens and the environment
- Methodologies to minimise the presence of substances that pose problems to health or the environment in recycled materials and articles made thereof
- Harmonised systems to track and manage information on substances, also identify those substances in waste
- Classification and management of hazardous waste

Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability will further address the interface between chemicals, products and waste legislation!



Timeline

**35
actions
between
2020
and
2023**

Legislative proposal for a sustainable product policy initiative - 2021

Review of the Directive on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment and guidance to clarify its links with REACH and Ecodesign requirements – 2021

Waste reduction targets for specific streams and other measures on waste prevention – 2022

EU-wide harmonised model for separate collection of waste and labelling to facilitate separate collection - 2022

Methodologies to track and minimise the presence of substances of concern in recycled materials and articles made thereof - 2021

Harmonised information systems for the presence of substances of concern 2021

Scoping the development of further EU-wide end-of-waste and by-product criteria - 2021

Revision of the rules on waste shipments - 2021



Impact on precious metals industry?

Opportunity

An opportunity to focus on the circular economy benefits of precious metals: they can be treated safely and recycled multiple times without losing their properties

Challenge

Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability – it will set further actions on chemicals and define hazardous and toxic substances



Next steps ?

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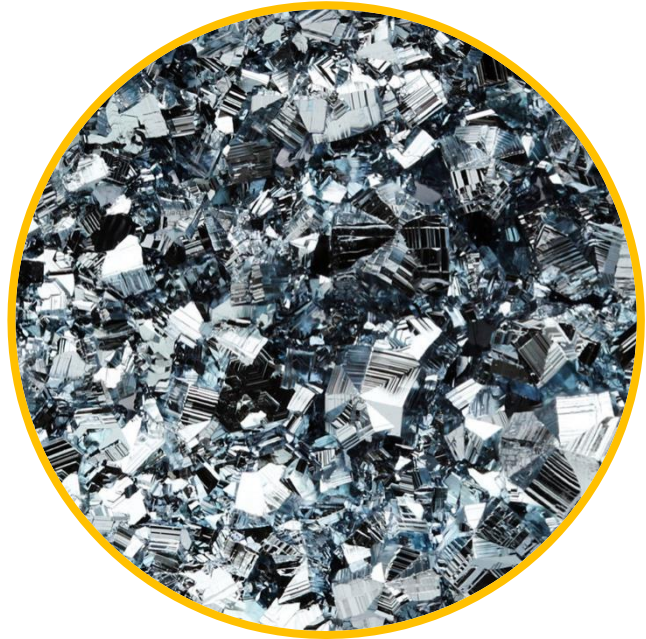
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Any other business ?





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