

FEAD BULLETIN N° 52 - 08 October 2021

Communication, Networking and Future Events

- **Announcement:**
 - We are happy to announce the date of our next FEAD Biennial Conference. It will take place on the 2nd of June 2022, at IFAT. We also looking forward to celebrating our 40th Birthday at the FEAD Biennial Conference.
- ESWET Panel discussion: waste to energy the beauty and the beast
 - On 25th of October, FEADs general secretary Valerie Plainemaison will participate as a speaker on the panel discussion. <u>Here</u> you can find the draft agenda. Register <u>here</u>.

Ongoing Surveys and Consultations

- Correspondents' Guidelines No 12:
 - The <u>draft Correspondents' Guidelines</u> have been issued.
 This draft has not yet been agreed among correspondents of the MS, who will meet in the upcoming weeks to conclude an agreement on these guidelines.
 - Please provide us with any comment in the next week, before 13th of October 2021.

• General Block Exemption Regulation (GBER):

- 6th October, the Commission has opened the public consultation on the <u>draft General Block Exemption</u> <u>Regulation (GBER)</u>.
- It widens up the scope of existing provisions on aid for recycling and re-utilisation of waste, by also covering investment aid for other investments that aim at increasing the level of resource efficiency or contributing to the transition towards a circular economy.

Batteries Regulation:

The Committees <u>IMCO</u> and <u>ITRE</u> published their opinions on the Batteries Regulation. FEAD prepared the replies to both opinions from <u>IMCO</u> and <u>ITRE</u>. We are asking you to provide us with your feedbacks on the 2 documents by the 12th of October 2021 COB.

• Basel Convention:

- After COP 15, The Basel Convention is seeking feedback on a number of documents which are listed <u>here.</u> This list includes:
 - Development of guidelines for environmentally sound management
 - Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with persistent organic pollutants
 - Technical guidelines on incineration on land and on specially engineered landfill
 - Technical guidelines on the environmentally sound management of wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with mercury or mercury compounds
 - Technical guidelines for the identification and environmentally sound management of plastic wastes and for their disposal
- The UNEP documents can be found on the **Basel Convention website**.

• Target Revision of the Regulation on CLP:

- The Commission opened a Public Consultation on the Targeted Revision of the Regulation on Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Substances and Mixtures (CLP) (here).
- FEAD prepared a <u>draft response</u> and sent it to members. Please provide us with your feedbacks by the 22nd of October.

• End of Life Vehicles Directive revision:

- The European Commission opened a survey on the End-of-Life Vehicles Directive revision <u>here</u>. The consultation closes on the 26th of October.
- FEAD prepared a <u>draft response</u>. Please provide us with your feedbacks by the 16th of October 2021.

• FEAD provided feedback to consultations:

 07th October 2021: FEAD replied to the JRC consultation about <u>"Scoping and developing further end-of-waste</u> (EoW) and by-product (BP) criteria".

Monitoring of EU Institutions

Life of EU institutions

• Waste Shipment Regulation:

 5th of October 2021: the Commission is expected to present a proposal for the revision of the Regulation on 17th of November 2021.

• Ship Recycling (EU List of Facilities):

 5th October 2021: the Commission is expected to present the implementing Decision establishing the European list of ship recycling facilities, <u>Decision (EU) 2016/2323</u>.

• EU Standardisation Request: Batteries

 4th October 2021: the MS Experts of the Committee on Standards voted in favor of the <u>draft implementing</u>
 <u>Decision</u> on the standardization request for batteries.

• Single Use Plastics:

4th October 2021: the Commission <u>Implementing Decision</u>
 (EU) 2021/1752, calculation, verification and reporting of
 data on the collection of single-use plastic beverage
 bottles, was published in the EU Official Journal.

Press Review & Reports

- In its proposal to reform the EU emissions trading system (ETS), the European Commission opted to continue the exemption for waste-to-energy plants. But a <u>report</u> from the consultancy CE Delft, commissioned by Zero Waste Europe and published on Thursday, suggests that their inclusion would lead to annual CO₂emissions cuts equivalent to between 4.3 million and 8.8 million tonnes by 2030.
 - Read the full article here.

Webinars & Conferences

- Battery-powered Future: How can the EU ensure electric vehicles drive the green transport revolution? – Wednesday, 13 October 2021 | 09:30 – 10:45 CET
 - An EURACTIV Virtual Conference to discuss how the EU can lead battery innovation, and ensure that e-transport plays its role on the road to climate neutrality in 2050.
 - If interested, you may <u>register here</u>.
- Webinar on labels for PET bottles, what is the path forward?
 - Wednesday, 13 October 2021 | 14:00 18:10 CET

- An PETCORE Europe webinar to share the most recent updates on its activities. This webinar will bring the light on key value-added topics for the recyclability of the labels.
- More information and register you find <u>here</u>.
- Closed loop recycling in Europe: what helps and what hinders? – Wednesday, 27 October 2021 | 14:30 – 15:45 CET
 - An EURACTIV Virtual Conference to discuss the policy initiatives and measures that can help or, on the contrary, hinder closed loop recycling of packaging in Europe.
 - If interested, you may register here.

FEAD website - Reminder

- Go to your Member Area (https://fead.be/index.php >

 "Members Only")
- Enter your login and password (Please ask your login and password to <u>info@fead.be</u> if you forgot it)
- Go to "Active Files" and here you have access to all files followed by FEAD Secretariat. We keep it updated!
- Frequency of FEAD Bulletin: The bulletin will be sent maximum once per week, but without a minimum if it not necessary. If there is a slow week with no new relevant information, then we deem that it is not necessary to send it.

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