

**“Fast-tracking a Circular Economy in the EU”
European Parliament, room PHS4B001, March 19, 2019, 14h00 – 18h00**

14:00 – 15:00: Session I – Stock-taking (chair: **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP)

- 14:00 Welcome and introductory comments - **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP, President of GLOBE EU
- 14:15 Keynote address - **Jyrki Katainen**, Vice-President for Jobs, Growth, Investment and Competitiveness, the European Commission
- 14:30 Remaining challenges – **Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy** MEP, member of GLOBE EU
- 14:45 A discussion with the audience

15:00 – 16:00: Session II – A Stakeholders’ Outlook (chair: **Benedek Jávor** MEP)

- 15:00 A think tank’s perspective – **Vasileios Rizos**, Research Fellow & Head of Circular Economy, CEPS
- 15:10 A worker’s perspective – **Luc Triangle**, Secretary General, industryAll European trade union
- 15:20 An industry perspective – **Carolien van Brunschot**, Manager, Circular Economy, WBCSDF
- 15:30 A local government perspective – **Harriët Tiemens**, Vice-Mayor, City of Nijmegen
- 15:40 A discussion with the audience

16:00 Break

16:30 – 18:00: Session III – Priorities for the next EU legislature (chair: **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP)

- 16:30 Panel discussion with: **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP, President of GLOBE EU
Bas Eijkhout MEP, Lead Candidate, European Green Party
Janez Potočnik, Co-Chair, the UN International Resource Panel
Eline Boon, Senior Policy Analyst, The Ellen MacArthur Foundation
- 17:15 A discussion with the audience
- 17:45 Recommendations on fast-tracking circularity in the EU – **Sirpa Pietikäinen** MEP
- 18:00 End