

# Water technology unlocking and scaling up the circular economy

Date: **May 30**

Venue: **Committee of the Regions** (Belliardstraat 99-101, 1040 Brussel, BE)

9h00 Registration and Coffee

09h30 Welcome Water technology unlocking the circular economy

Welcome by **Klaas Kielstra**, (CoR-Member, Province of Friesland)

**Jan Wijma, WUR (t.b.c.)** 30 min

**Key opening by Director-General Daniel Calleja Crespo (tbc)**: what are the EU plans regarding water technology in the circular economy? (New drinking water legislation, water reuse legislation and reforming the waste directive) 20 min

**Kees de Lange, ICL (ISR) (t.b.c.)** 15 min

**Cees Buisman, Wetsus** approach “Scale up of Inventions” 15 min

11h00 Coffee Break

11h45 **Circular Economy Research and Cooperation**

Introduction **Mikel Irugo Amezaga (Navarra)**, Smart Specialisation Strategies (RIS3): impact for regions and interregional cooperation. (t.b.c.)

Panel with partners from the **Interreg Europe project “Water Technology Innovation Roadmaps” (iWATERMAP)**, **Murcia, Northern-Portugal, Southern-Moravia, Latvia, Nord-Est Romania and Crete**

**H2020 project Synergic Circular Economy Across European Regions (SCREEN)**, (t.b.c.)

13h00 Lunch break

14h00 **Research and Scaling up Inventions: Barriers and Financing**

Introduction by Paques (NL), CEO **Stephan Bocken**, experience in circular economy

Panel discussion with:

Yara (NO), selective removal of Sodium (for continued water reuse in agri-systems) t.b.c.

**Kemira, (FI)**, Iron Phosphate recovery from sludge through Vivianite t.b.c.

Water Board HHNK (NL), **Luc Kohsiek**, WWTPs as Resource Factories, valorization of Cellulose, or How to recycle your toilet paper? t.b.c.

PWN Technologies (NL), **Joke Cuperus**, export of Drinking Water Technology t.b.c.

Green water solutions (USA), **Joris Salden**, nutrient removal and recovery. Or how to win the [George Barley Water Prize](#) and cash 10 million dollars?

#### **Future Research and Innovation agenda (reflections on MFF)**

**Key note by Director-General DG RTD, Jean-Eric Paquet (tbc)** Water Technology in FP9 Global Challenges and Missions.

**EIT director Martin Kern (t.b.c.)**, How EIT supports the Circular Economy and outlook on new KICs post 2020.

**Klaas Kielstra**, (CoR-Member, Province of Friesland) regional collaboration and outlook beyond 2020

**Michiel Sweers, Ministry of Economic Affairs (NL) (tbc)** Research and Innovation Policy in The Netherlands

#### **16h30 Network cocktail**

Official opening of the cocktail by:

**Pirita Lindholm**, director ERRIN & **Sander de Rouwe**, Province of Friesland

#### **17h30 Closing of the event**