

# FEAD BULLETIN N° 82 - 27 May 2022

## **Communication, Networking and Future Even**

#### **FEAD** events:

- <u>SAVE THE DATE</u> for a public, hybrid event with FEAD and MEP Rapporteur Pernille Weiss on Waste Shipment Regulation: **11th July, from 13h00 to 14h30, Brussels.**
- LAST CHANCE: Register to our Biennial Conference & 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary here.



## **Ongoing Surveys and Consultations**

- EU ETS / ENVI report and Council revised compromise:
  - As anticipated, the <u>ENVI Committee voted</u> on 16 May the inclusion of municipal (not HW) waste incineration in the EU ETS from 2026. The COM shall prepare an impact assessment by end 2024, assessing the impact and the possibility of including in the EU ETS other waste management processes (landfills (Art. 3h), and (recital 13 b) all waste management processes, such as landfills, fermentation, composting and mechanical-biological treatment).
  - In order to publish the paper ahead of the plenary vote at the EP (6-9 June), please get back to me no later than next Tuesday, 31 May, COB.

#### Section E of the NACE classification:

 The revision of the <u>Statistical classification of economic activities in the European</u> <u>Community (NACE)</u> has just achieved its first objective with the definition of the new structure of the classification.

- The Commission is asking concerned stakeholders to check whether the proposed explanatory notes are suitable or need to be completed, whether the terminology used is appropriate and whether further activities need to be included or excluded.
- Please send us your comments and inputs on the <u>relevant sections</u> in track changes
   by Wednesday, 8 June 2022, COB.

### • Call for experts - Organic recovery:

- FEAD has been invited by **EFAR** (European Federation for Agricultural Recycling) to participate in a first meeting on the "Biosolids Quality Assurance Scheme" which will be held by 9th of June from 9.00 to 10h30.
- They are strongly asking our participation because they believe we could provide interesting inputs such as existing QAS for the treatment and recovery of waste material.
- Therefore, we would like to reach out and identify some experts interested in participating with us in the meeting. Please provide us with the names of interested persons by 7th June COB.

### Household waste collection during the COVID-19 pandemic:

- IWMA, FEAD's Irish member is asking for our support to demonstrate that a fully privatised model of household waste collection benchmarked very well against other models managed by the municipalities during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Therefore, we ask for your support to provide any data, reports or media articles on the performance of household waste collection in your own Country during the pandemic.
   Please send everything to <a href="mailto:paolo.campanella@fead.be">paolo.campanella@fead.be</a>

#### • Commission's Sustainable Products Initiative:

- The Commission's Sustainable Products Initiative is now open for feedback. The draft Ecodesign Regulation repeals the current Directive 2009/125/EC and empowers the Commission to adopt delegated acts with ecodesign requirements for, or in relation to, products. According to the Communication, the extension of the Ecodesign framework (currently only for energy-related products) is to cover the broadest possible range of products, without mentioning any specific categories or priorities.
- Please provide us with your feedback to the <u>draft FEAD feedback</u> by Friday, 10 June 2022, COB.

#### FEAD feedback:

 On request by our Italian members, FEAD submitted <u>feedback</u> on the Italian proposal for a Decree on "Inert waste from construction and demolition activities and other inert waste of mineral origin", to DG GROW.

# **Monitoring of EU Institutions**

### **Life of EU institutions**

• Ship Recycling:

 Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/691 amending EU rules establishing a European List of ship recycling facilities entered into force on 22 May 2022.

## • New regulatory framework for batteries:

The next trilogue is expected to take place on 13 June 2022.

### • RED II:

• The Council deletes the reference to a delegated act, developed by the Commission, to define the so-called "cascade principle", according to which forest biomass must first be used to produce objects or be recycled, before providing energy. France prefers to integrate this principle - with its derogations - directly into RED II and thus into the codecision procedure, which involves the Member States more.

### • Waste Framework Directive:

- The launched public consultation by the European Commission runs from 24 May to 16
  August. It is intended to guide the work of the executive, which is due to present a
  "targeted" revision of the 2008 framework directive in 2023, which has not enabled the EU
  to achieve its waste reduction targets.
- FEAD is preparing draft feedback.

#### ETS:

• The partial compromise from the Council proposes to include hazardous or municipal waste in the carbon market. "By 31 December 2026, the Commission will present a report assessing the feasibility of mandatory inclusion of incineration plants from 2031. If the conclusion is positive, the report should be accompanied by a legislative proposal.".

## **Press Review & Reports**

- ENDS In-depth: Inside Europe's hunt for more sustainable batteries
  - Amid supply and sustainability concerns for key raw materials for batteries, industry figures have warned that Europe could be sleeping on greener and cheaper alternative chemistries.
  - Read the full article here.

#### ENDS - Commission to tackle food waste in revision of Waste Framework Directive

- The European Commission plans to set food waste reduction targets as part of a wider revision of EU rules to reduce waste generation and increase re-use and recycling.
- Read the full article here.

### Webinars & Conferences

• JRC meeting: Survey "Assessment of the definition of recycling"

- Following the stakeholder consultation after the JRC workshop on the "Assessment of the definition of recycling", we have been invited to participate in a specific discussion with the JRC and its collaborators on quality-of-recycling.
- We kindly ask those interested to <u>attend the meeting</u> scheduled for 7th June 2022 (13.00 – 15.00).
- UNEP event: Ad hoc open-ended working group (OEWG) to prepare for the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee to end plastic pollution
  - The meeting of the ad hoc open-ended working group to prepare for the work of the intergovernmental negotiating committee to end plastic pollution, including in the marine environment, will be held from 30 May to 1 June 2022 in Dakar, Senegal.
  - Register here.
- EP Intergroup event: Compost and Digestate in the Circular Bioeconomy: Healthy Soil for Healthy Life
  - The EP Intergroup will have a Webex event on the 30 June 2022 at 15.00 CEST, to discuss the need for a renovated attention to soil quality, soil health and soil fertility at national, regional and European level in relation to the Soil Health Law, the Common Agricultural Policy and the initiative on Sustainable Carbon Cycles in relation to a circular economy in Europe.
  - Register here.

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