

# 5<sup>th</sup> OECD Roundtable on the Circular Economy in Cities and Regions

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Co-organised with the Tallinn - European Green Capital 2023 and the European Committee of the Regions (CoR) Commission for the Environment, Climate Change and Energy (ENVE) with the support of the European Commission.

# Accelerating the transition to a circular economy in cities and regions

Draft Agenda

5-6 June 2023 (Tallinn, Estonia)

The 5<sup>th</sup> OECD Roundtable on the Circular Economy in Cities and Regions will bring together key stakeholders from cities and regions to:

- Launch a new OECD report on “The Circular Economy in Tallinn, Estonia”.
- Learn from cities and regions’ experiences on their transition to a circular economy.
- Present the European Circular Cities and Regions Initiative.
- Advance the measurement agenda of the circular economy in cities and regions.
- Visit urban spaces for circular solutions in Tallinn.

# Draft Agenda

## Monday 5 June 2023

15.00 – 18.00

### Field visits

#### Possibility to choose between two itineraries:

- Circular economy in Tallinn
- European Green Capital Tallinn paths

19.00 – 21.30

### Reception hosted by Mr. Jevgeni Ossinovski, Chairman of Tallinn City Council

## Tuesday 6 June 2023

Venue: Nordic Hotel Forum Conference Centre, Viru väljak 3, Tallinn

8.30 – 9.00

### Registration and morning coffee

9.00 – 9.15

### Opening remarks

- City of Tallinn
- OECD
- CoR

9.15 – 10.30

### Session I: Spotlight on The Circular Economy in Tallinn, Estonia

Awarded the title of European Green Capital 2023, the city of Tallinn aims to reach carbon neutrality by 2050. The city conceives the circular economy as a means to contribute to environmental goals while creating employment opportunities and stimulating innovation through a systemic approach. This session will mark the launch of the new OECD report on *The Circular Economy in Tallinn, Estonia*, which analyses the state of play and offers policy recommendations for an effective implementation of circular economy policies across levels of government.

Moderated by: City of Tallinn

- Ministry of the Environment of the Republic of Estonia
- Spotlight on key findings from the OECD report *The Circular Economy in Tallinn, Estonia*
- Reaction from City of Tallinn
- Reaction from CoR

10.30 – 11.00

### Coffee break

11.00 – 12.30

### Session II: Cities and regions sharing experiences - The European Circular Cities and Regions Initiative (CCRI)

The Circular Cities and Regions Initiative (CCRI) is a multi-stakeholder collaboration and support scheme of the European Commission. It provides EU cities and regions with both financial and technical support for the implementation of their circular systemic solutions. This session will kick off a new co-operation between the OECD and the European Commission in the framework of the Circular Cities and Regions Initiative. Cities and regions will share innovative governance solutions for accelerating their circular economy transition.

Moderated by: OECD

- Presentation by European Commission
- Open discussion among cities and regions

12.30 – 14.00

### Lunch break

14.00 – 15.45

### Session III: Monitoring the circular economy in cities and regions

Tallinn has made significant strides towards becoming a green city and has set policy targets for the future, but it is still in an early stage of transition to the circular economy. Developing a circular strategy requires measuring the progress of circular initiatives and their impact in the long term. Building a monitoring framework for the circular economy should help identify the “what”, the “how” and the “whom” of the circular economy implementation in the city. Cities and regions will have an opportunity to share 1) their own monitoring practices, and 2) the main obstacles they are encountering and potential solutions.

Moderated by: European Commission

- Speakers: OECD and Ellen MacArthur Foundation
- Open discussion among cities and regions
- Working groups and reporting back

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**15.45 – 16.00**      **Conclusions and next steps**

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**16.00**              **Cocktail reception**

## About the OECD Programme on the Circular Economy in Cities and Regions

The OECD Programme on the Circular Economy in Cities and Regions supports national, regional and local governments through evidence-based analysis, multi-stakeholder dialogues, policy recommendations and customised action plans. The programme relies on a consortium of cities and countries engaged in peer-to-peer dialogues and knowledge-sharing activities, including Glasgow (United Kingdom), Granada (Spain), Groningen (Netherlands), Montreal (Canada), Tallinn (Estonia), Umeå (Sweden), Valladolid (Spain) and Ireland.

For more information, visit our website: [oe.cd/circ-eco](https://oe.cd/circ-eco)

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