

# Recycling in the Circular Economy: Challenges and Opportunities

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021

11:00 – 13:30 (EEST)

## AGENDA

### 11:00 – 11:40 | Introduction and Official Greetings

- **Association of Hellenic Plastics Industries:** Vassileios Gounaris, Chairman of the Board
- **European Union:** Virginius Sinkevičius, Commissioner for Environment, Oceans and Fisheries\*
- **Ministry of Development & Investments:** Adonis Georgiadis, Minister
- **Ministry of Environment and Energy:** Prof. Dr. Konstantinos Aravossis, Secretary General of Natural Environment & Waters

### 11:45 – 13:30 | Presentations

- 11:45 – 12:00 / Recycling in Greece:** Manolis Grafakos, Waste Management Coordinator, Ministry of Environment & Energy
- 12:00 – 12:15 / Recycling in Europe:** Ton Emans, President of Plastics Recyclers Europe (PRE)\*
- 12:15 – 12:30 / Challenges & Opportunities for plastics converters in Europe:** Alexandre Dangis, Managing Director, European Plastics Converters (EuPC)
- 12:30 – 12:45 / Circular Economy: A Challenge for plastics:** Giuseppe Riva, Regional Director – Mediterranean Region of PlasticsEurope
- 12:45 – 13:00 / European recyclers' needs and opportunities for circularity:** Dr. Alejandro Navazas, Scientific Officer, European Recycling Industries' Confederation (EuRIC)
- 13:00 – 13:15 / PolyCert Certification – Harmonization of existing certification systems for plastics converters:** Martin Policar, Advocacy & Regulatory Manager, European Plastics Converters (EuPC)
- 13:15 – 13:30 / Chemical Recycling and the Mass Balance approach:** Dr. Klaus Wittstock, Head of Industry Affairs, BASF

**13:30 / Closing Remarks:** Dr. Ilias Mamalis, Executive Director, Association of Hellenic Plastics Industries

\* To be confirmed