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PROGRAM **Circular Benelux Conference** 25/09/2019

Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Belgium, Kortenberglaan 4-10, Brussels

10:15	Welcome
10:30	Setting the Benelux scene
	 Opening by the Dutch Ambassador, Maryem van den Heuvel
	 Introduction by director Robert Schmit (Luxemburg Ministry of the Environment, Climate and
	Sustainable Development)
	 Associate professor Karine Van Doorsselaer (University of Antwerp): <u>Ecodesign</u> in a circular economy
	• Emmanuel Katrakis (European Recycling Industries' Confederation (EuRIC)): Benelux and recycling: facts
	& figures, strengths and weaknesses / Benelux waste & recycle map
11:30	Coffee break
11:50	Showcase session
	Eco-design / Production : Hoai Thu Nguyen Doan (Chambre de Commerce LUX) - Go4Circle (BE) – Schagen Infra
	(NL)
10.50	Recycling/waste: FLEA (LUX) – Coberec (BE) - Vereniging Afvalbedrijven (NL)
12:50	Lunch
13:45	What's next?
	In two sessions, panelists will share ideas how to move things forward, e.g. in the field of regulation, the way
	material is sourced and treated, how the market can be steered in the right direction, what is needed to change
	the behavior of producers, retailers, consumers, departing from a cross border perspective.
	Eco-design/production : Success factors / New business models / Alternative financing of Circular economy/
	Technical challenges and choices
	 Jérôme Petry (Min EC LUX) – Sébastien Zinck (LIST LUX)- Emmanuel Mossay (Louvain School of
	Management) – Wouter Ulburghs (Vlaanderen Circulair)
	Recycling/waste: End of Waste Criteria (regulation)/ Shift to Reuse / Rewarding recycling – recycling certificates /
	Speeding waste shipment procedures / Pricing externalities
	 Hans van de Nes (Sortiva/FNOI, NL) – Rob Buurman (Recycling Netwerk Benelux) - Sarah Nelen
	(European Commission) – Baudouin Ska (Go4Circle/FERVER)
15:15	Wrap up : Hand-over of the Benelux position of the waste sector to high representatives
	Closing words by the Belgium Minister of Energy, Environment and Sustainable Development, Marie-Christine
	Marghem
	Parting note by the Secretary General of the Benelux Union, Thomas Antoine
16:00	Closing reception

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