

## **Plastics: Circular Economy solutions to combat Marine Litter**

**17 September 2020 (10.00 EEST)**

### **10.00-10.30 Introduction & Official Greetings**

- **Vassileios Gounaris**, President of the Association of Hellenic Plastics Industries
- **Representative of the Hellenic Ministry of Environment and Energy\***
- **Sokratis Famellos**, Department of Environment and Energy SYRIZA
- **Soren Gade**, MEP, Vice – Chair of the Fisheries Committee

### **10.30-12.00 Presentations**

- **10.30 – 10:40 Rivers as a pathway for plastic debris transport into the oceans**  
Dr. Christian Schmidt, UFZ Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research
- **10.40-10.50 What can be improved to avoid plastics waste ending up in oceans? By Waste Free Oceans**  
Alexander Dangis, Managing Director, European Plastics Converters
- **10.50-11.00 Operation Clean Sweep : towards zero pellet loss**  
Hervé Millet, Director of Climate and Production Council, PlasticsEurope
- **11.00-11.10 Alliance to End Plastics Waste – Industry’s contribution to combat Marine Litter**  
Elisabeth von der Ohe, Project Manager, Alliance to End Plastic Waste
- **11.10-11.20 Aboard the Typhoon: Fighting Marine Litter in Greece**  
Dr. Angeliki Kosmopoulou, Executive Director, A. C. Laskaridis Charitable Foundation.
- **11.20-11.30 BlueCycle: Applied circularity beyond plastic waste**  
Susanna Laskaridis, Founder of the Blue Cycle



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- **11.30 – 11.40 Tackling marine litter in Greece: HELMEPA’s experience since the 1980s**

Constantinos Triantafillou, Assistant Executive Coordinator

- **11.40-11.50 “Zero Waste Future” community platform towards a World Without Waste.**

Sissy Iliopoulou, Public Affairs, Communications and Sustainability Manager Coca Cola Greece, Cyprus, Malta

- **11.50-12.00 Nestle pilots marine plastic mapping for targeted cleaning**

Dr. Paschalis Kastanas, Manufacturing Services Manager

## **12.00-12.30. Round Table Discussion: Avoiding waste becoming marine litter: Opportunities to address the issue in Circular Economy**

**Moderator:** Costas Papachlimintzos, Journalist

- Alexandre Dangis, Managing Director, European Plastics Converters
- Giuseppe Riva, Director-Mediterranean Area, Plastics Europe
- Dr. Roubini Marini, Deputy Director of Prevention, Research & Communication., Deputy Director Inspections & Audit Unit, Hellenic Organization of Recycling
- Sotirios Kordas, General Secretary, Association of Hellenic Plastics Industries
- Petros Varelidis, Counselor of Minister of Environment and Energy

### **12.40. Conclusion**

**Vassileios Gounaris**, President of the Association of Hellenic Plastics Industries

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