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International Conference: 'Towards cleaner and greener cities'



Tirana, 1st December 2021/09:00-15:00 (Local Time)

Venue for participation in Person: Tirana International Hotel - Tirana

Albania Registration link for Participation Online:

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Organiser:

Municipality of Tirana

Description:

The conference is dedicated to key topics related to the **municipal waste and household hazardous waste prevention and management**, including a presentation of a benchmark study on capital cities as well as discussions on policy directions and awareness raising.

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Agenda

Note: Starting time is 09:00 Albania, 12:00 Armenia, and 09:00 Poland.

Time	Session title	Speaker
09:00–10:00	Registration (Note: For in person participants, checks of COVID-19 status may be required, depending on current rules.) Moderator Merita Mansaku –Meksi	
10:00–10:30	Welcome and opening remarks Welcome addresses Albanian reforms in waste management sector Municipality of Tirana and initiatives to become a Green City Waste management in the Municipality of TIRANA, initiatives for waste separation at source	Ms. Ornela Çuçi , Deputy Minister of Tourism and Environment Mr. Genci Kojdheli , General Director for Strategic Projects and Economic Development in the Municipality of Tirana Mr. Namik Simixhiu , Director of Urban Waste Directorate, Tirana Municipality
10:30–11:00	Project presentation and messages from Partner Cities Capital cities engagement in peer-learning for better governance in municipal waste management and hazardous waste management	Mr. Frank Hess , Head of Cooperation section of the EU Delegation to Armenia (<i>video message</i>) Ms. Gayane Melkom Melkomian , Deputy Mayor of Yerevan (<i>video message</i>) Mr. Włodzimierz Karpiński , Secretary of Warsaw City (<i>video message</i>) Mr Robert Girejko , Team Leader
11:00–11:30	Coffee Break	
11:30–11:50	Recycling Experiences in Albania	Ms. Edlir Vokopola , Director of Urban Research Institute Tirana
11:50–12:10	Video message	Mr. Dearti Dervishi , Volunteer member of EDEN Center
12:10–12:30	Civil society initiatives related to waste Management and hazardous waste	Mrs. Ermelinda Mahmutaj , Director of EDEN Center
12:30–12:50	Experience and Challenges in Urban Waste Management under Civil Society perspective	Ms. Valbona Mazreku , Director of Milieucontact Albania -MKI
12:50–13:10	Circulating Economy through Composting Organic Waste in Baldushk -Tirana	Mr. Endri Haxhiraj , Representative of Environmental Policy Institute
13:10–13:45	5R concept explained Establishing common paradigm for waste prevention and management	Mr Robert Girejko , Team Leader Ms. Agnieszka Radziłowska , Project Coordinator for Warsaw Ms. Merita Mansaku – Meksi , Hazardous Waste Management Expert for Tirana
13:45–14:10	Presentation of key findings of Baseline Study and recommendations Areas for improvement in municipal and hazardous Waste management	Ms. Mirjana Stankovic , HWM Expert Mr. Christophe Casillas , Governance Expert

14:10–14:25	Key challenges and initiatives in waste management sector Panel discussion among participants	All participants
14:25–14:40	Closing remarks	
14:40–15:30	Press Conference <i>Lunch Reception</i>	