

## Accelerating Sustainability with the Circular Economy

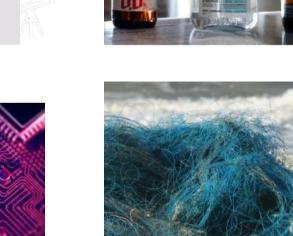




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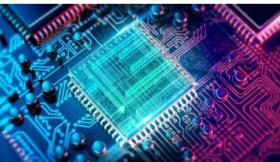






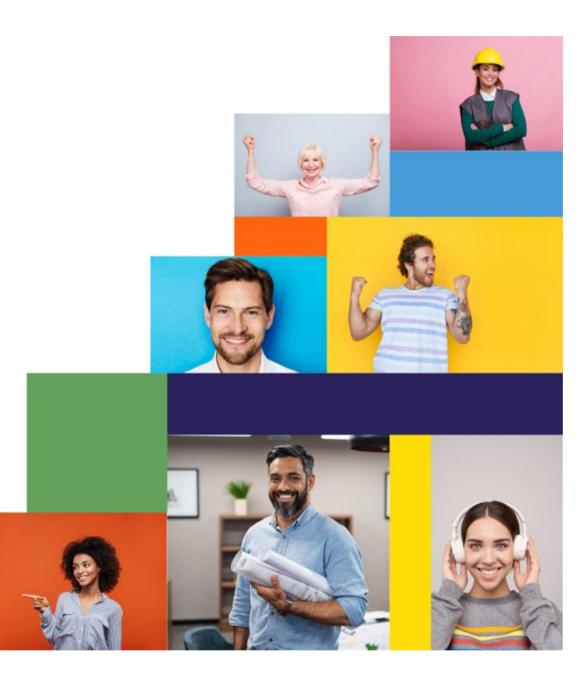








## We make the people become the drivers of the change towards a sustainable business



#### The people



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## **HiCircular support**

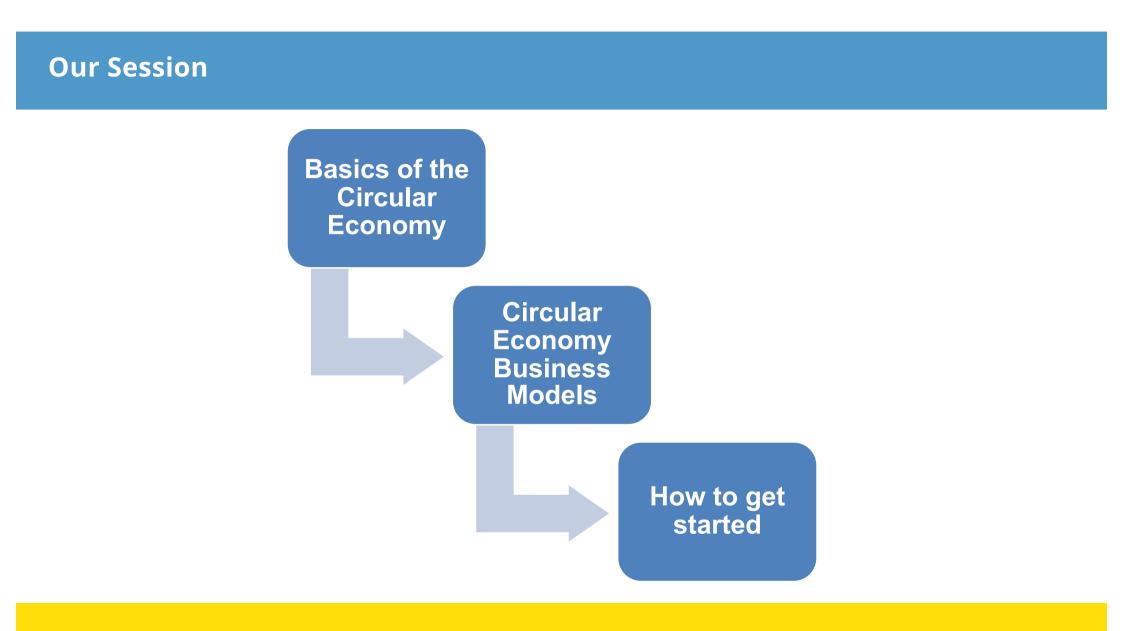
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**Corporates** ...

- define sustainability strategies
- set sustainability targets
- build up infrastructure to calculate emissions
- go for long-hanging fruits
- start employee engagement and training

### <u>Circular Economy is part of</u> <u>decarbonisation and waste reduction</u>:

## Potential to reduce global GHG emissions by about 40% and cut virgin resource use by about 30%.

Source: Circularity Gap Report 2021

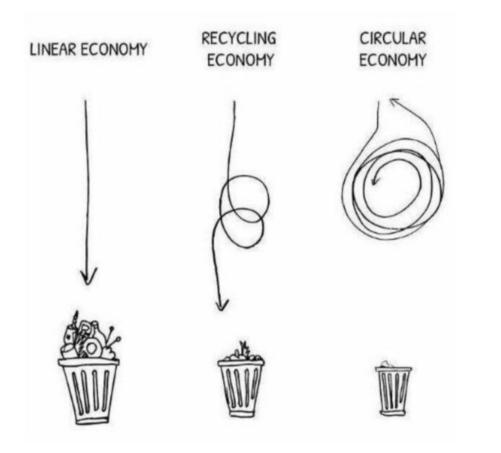


### **EU regulation & EU Green Deal**

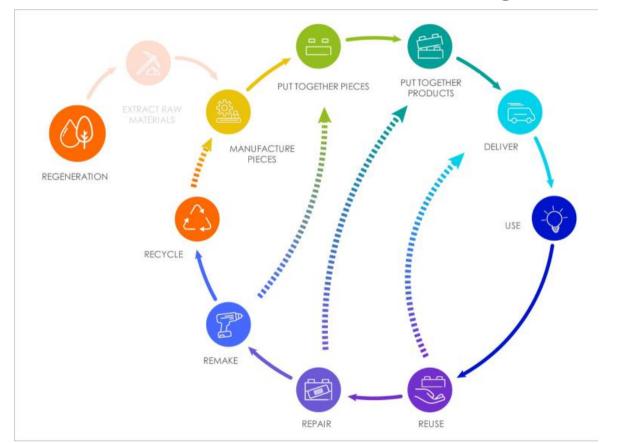




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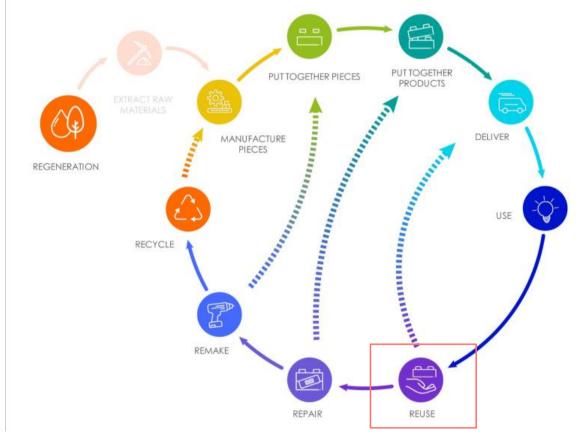


## **The Circular Economy Flow**



**Reuse + Repair + Remake + Recycle** 

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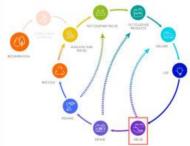


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## Reuse







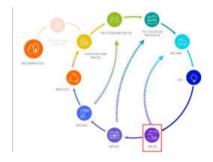
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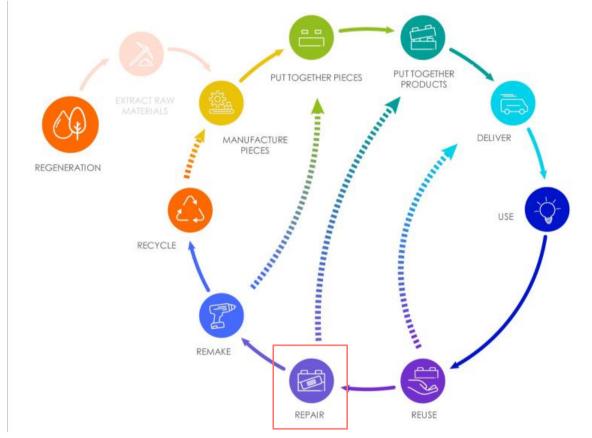


Reusable solutions that fit into the supply chain, giving a fast Return on Investment:

Efficient truck loading Waste elimination Labor saving Cost saving CO2 saving



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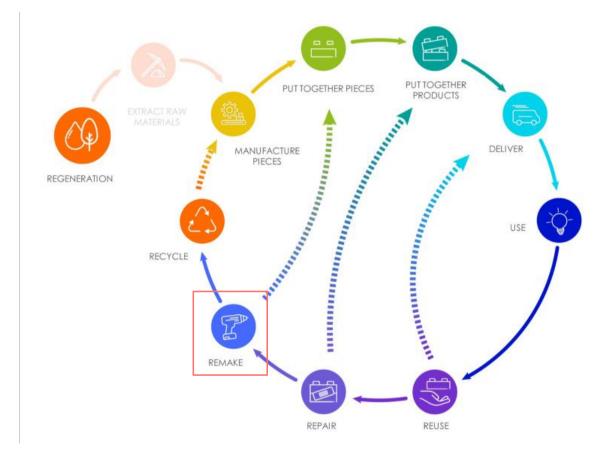
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# What if you buy a headset and repair will be free forever?





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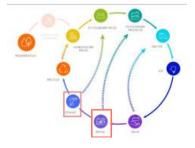
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## Remake

A retired windpower blade repurposed as bike parking in Aalborg, Denmark.

A concept idea for a bridge made out of blades.



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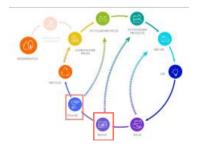
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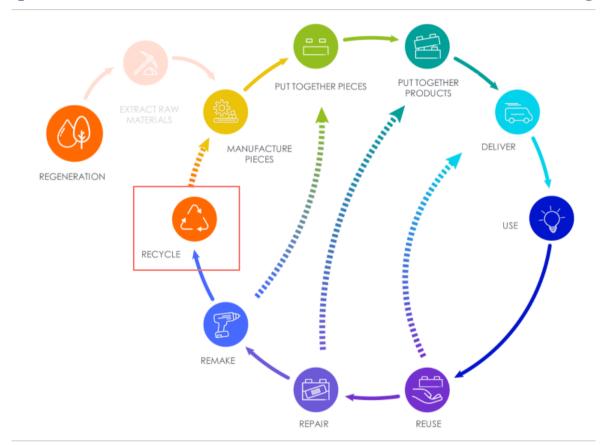
Lidl's first circular market

Using wood and old Lidl polo shirts of employees for insulation

90% of the installations are dismountable or reusable



## **Explore the Circular Economy Flow**



### Reuse + Repair + Remake + Recycle



## Recycle

#### **Reused waste for premium products:**

Polestar recylces discarded cork and fishing nets to enable a premium, cutting-edge design.

It also removes pollution from the leather industry by using vegan leather and flax fiber to reduce weight



# Beyond environmental benefits, where do you see advantages of circular solutions?

**Cost reduction** 

**Future-proof regarding regulation** 

**Availability of material** 

**Better supply chain & less shipping** 

Innovation regarding material

Long lasting materials for reuse

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In essence, Circular Economy is, how to maximize and optimize the value of material. How can we maximize and optimize the value of material <mark>and the business value</mark> at the same time?



- Reuse waste
- Sharing Economy
- Life extension
- Take-back scheme
- Product-as-a-service



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### **Main Circular Business Models:**

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What if Michelin does not sell tyres anymore but kilometers on the road?



## **Connected Lightning**

## PHILIPS interact (s)ignify



## What if you lease building components?

TUDelft

## Share. Reuse. Reduce.

## Product as a service & product sharing

IFCO Packaging as a service

• Pooling process where many parties share Reusable Packaging Containers

- 10% cost reduction for food producers
- 51% cost reduction for retailers
- 25% cost reduction warehouse
- 5% cost reduction for transport

## Advantages of Product as a service

**Increase the product reuse** 

**Close the loop: Manage end-of-life products (repair, recycle)** 

**Invest in an extended product life/quality** 

**Can promote the sharing economy** 

Less waste, less CO2





# How to get started: Challenges we see



Lack of common understanding



Engaging the "right" people



Complexity

## **Challenges we see**



Lack of common understanding

Common level of knowledge of the Circular Economy, it's principles and practices Common ambition Shared vision

## **Challenges we see**



Engaging the "right" people Involve people with different perspectives incl. sales, human resources, etc. Getting senior management on board Engage across the organisation

## **Challenges we see**



Complexity

Multiple entry points – how to focus? Long-term transition with many unknowns Long-term transition with conflicting priorities

## How to get started



**Build a diverse team** 

**Build the mindset** 

Integrate capacity building



## Start with diverse team

- Target HR, production, sales, marketing, and project department,....
- Be open to different directions
- Find quickly common ground, objectives and leads for initiatives
- Manage availability & flexibility





# Build the mindset: Experience circularity

- See and feel inspiring business cases
- Real live experience such as dismantling products
- Sharing among peers, hear tangible success stories





# Ways to build the mindset

- Inspiring cases
- "What if" challenges
- Serious game
- Canvas
- Team building
- More





## **Acquire & practice these competences**

#### Training component - new knowledge and skills:

- Circular principles and mindset
- Circular design approach
- Circular flows
- Circular business models

#### **Practice component -** further competences:

- Teamworking and leadership
- Client-centric planning
- Rethinking partnerships
- Innovation management



# **HiCircular support**

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## **Case: Introducing circular business model**

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Liganova is a leading brand and retail marketing agency with premium clients such as adidas, Porsche, and Nespresso.

In order to step up to the next level in sustainability, the company is transitioning to a circular economy business model.

#### HiCircular's role:

- Engage employees, managers and clients into circular action
- Support in identifying circular business models
- Building circular capability, mindset and change community
- Setting priorities and identifying early action to engage the overall company in the sustainable and circular transition.





## **Case: Introducing Product as a Service**



Mitsubishi Chemical Europe is a leading manufacturer of a variety of industrial materials and performance products.

To position itself as a powerful force for its clients and to get ready to meet customer demands the company wants to introduce the concept of Product as a Service.

HiCircular's role:

- Engage managers and clients into the new concept
- Expert input about the new circular business model(s)
- Building capability, mindset and change community
- Setting priorities and identifying pathways of action





## **Case: Enabling collaboration**

Context: Arion is an international medical device company active in the healthcare sector.

The objective of the assignment was to create awareness of the possibilities arising from the sustainability agenda and identification of companywide sustainability challenges to address plus follow-up.

## ARION simply smile



#### HiCircular's role:

- Thematic input and insights
- Community building, process advice & facilitation
- Enabling ambassadors for finding priorities



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