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The European Recycling Industries Confederation (EuRIC) brings together <u>recycling</u> <u>federations</u> from 20 EU & EFTA Member States and represents:

- > 5,500 companies, many of them SMEs.
- > 300,000 local jobs.
- > + 150 million tons of waste recycled/year.
- ➤ An annual turnover of about €95 billion

Recycling, disruptive by nature...









in a nutshell



Waste = Resource

Recycling



Circular / Resource efficient by nature



Industry: market supply & demand



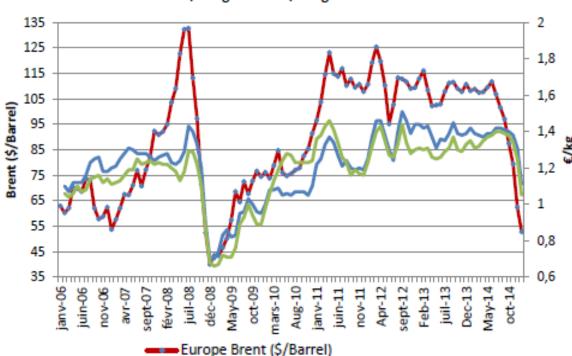


Partnership bringing innovation: a successful example vs. economics

Patented innovation Reliable demand for recycled materials **Partnership** Recycler – Car manufacturer

Price correlation btw virgin& recycled materials but different cost structures / externalities

Brent / Virgin HDPE / Virgin PP: Price evolution 2006-2014



—Virgin HDPE (Injection molding) (€/kg)

■Virgin PP (homo) (€/kg)



Plastics: closing the loop in car (ELV) and electronic (WEEE) recycling



Framework conditions / drivers for environmentally friendly & disruptive technologies

Huge contributor to CO2 emission savings

Ex:

CO2 savings in FR: 22,5 Mt eq CO2

CO2 emissions of 20% of the FR vehicle fleet

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(2017 Study



Price signal

- Correct market failures through financial incentives
- Foster investments & innovation in recycling

GPP

- Public leading by example (harmonised « green » criteria)
- Increase the demand for resource efficient products & services

Product design

- Design determines 80% of a product's environmental impact
- Bridge actors across the value chain & consumers (labelling)

Clear targets

- Clear, long-term [recycling] targets + waste hierarchy
- Global commitment to resource efficiency: certainty for investors





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Recycling: economical perspective



