



Closing the loop in Slovakia

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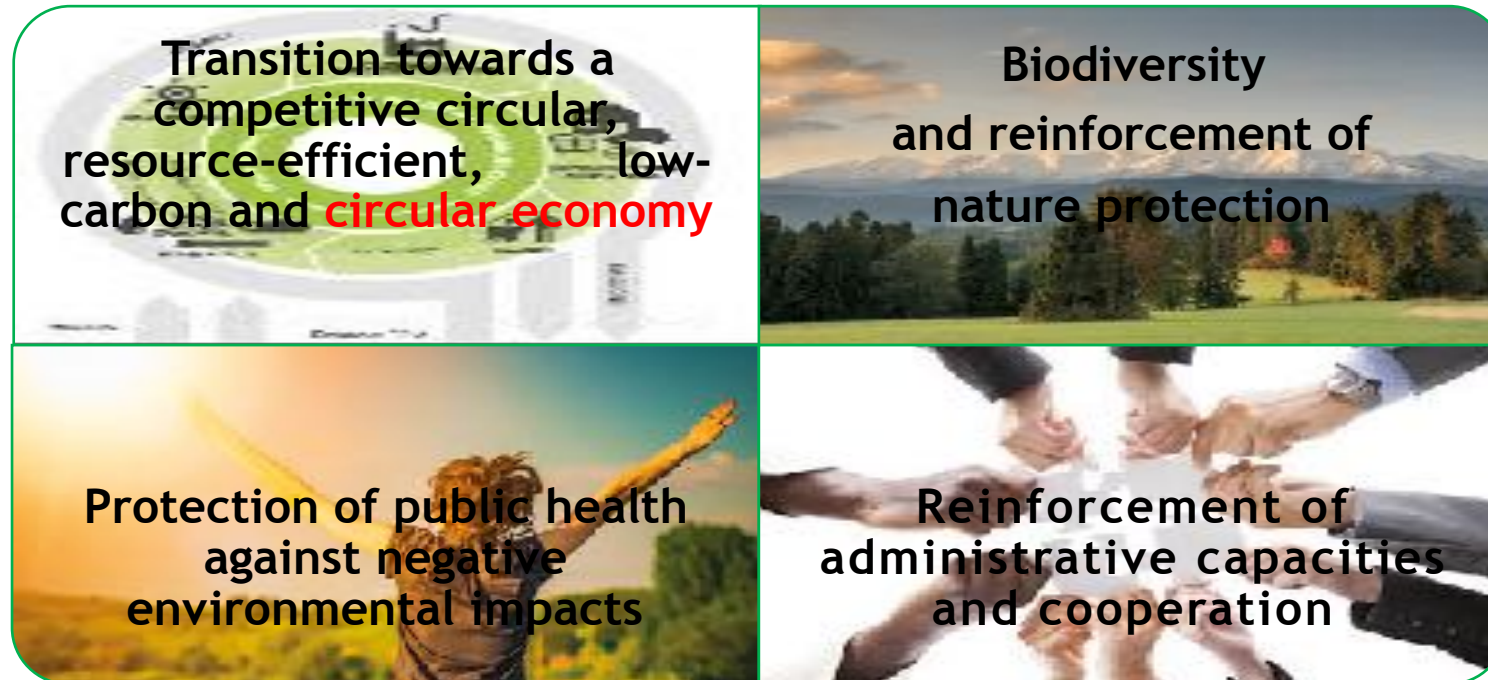
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Priorities of Ministry of Environment



Circular Economy - including waste package, with aim to:

- ❑ **divert waste from landfilling** (2016, Eurostat: SK municipal waste 348 kg per capita/landfilled 228 kg, i.e. 65,5%)
- ❑ **increase material recovery** (2014, Eurostat: SK circular material use rate 4,8% - NL 26,7%)
- ❑ **increase recycling rate of municipal waste** (Eurostat: SK 2016 - 23%, 2015 - 14,9% 2014 - 10,3%)

Slovakia's approach towards circular transition

Policy	Legislation	Knowledge	Cooperation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Environmental Strategy 2030 • Low-carbon strategy 2030/2050 • 2nd Waste Prevention Programme 2019-2025 • 3rd National Action Plan for Green Public Procurement • Cooperation with Vice Prime Minister Office - National Investment Plan 2018-2030 and Agenda 2030 • National Reform Programme 2018 • Ministry of Economy - new Economy and Raw Materials Policy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waste Act amendment, January 1, 2019 • Legislative proposal to increase landfill fees for municipalities - gradual increase from 2019 based on the level of separation • Intention to incorporate GPP principles into a new law on public procurement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analytical Capacities - IEP - Three Environmental Challenges in Slovakia - waste, air quality, forestry; Making the Slovak Republic a more resource efficient economy; How to landfill less; How can green public procurement save environment and finance • Green Economy Information Platform (practical examples) • Green Education Fund • Indicators and monitoring - Enviroportal, State of ENV report, sectoral reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T2gE - Bratislava Green Economy Process • Business and industry: automotive, Slovak Plastic Cluster, Slovak Business Agency • NGOs: INCIEN • Municipalities • V4 presidency • Bilateral: CZ, HUN, SI, NL....

Challenges

- **COHERENCE** of policies at EU and national level
- **ECONOMIC INSTRUMENTS** to support circularity
- **LIFE CYCLE COST AND SUSTAINABILITY** - assessment of all economic activities and investments; evidence based decision making



Thank you!



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