

Cheap collection and subsidies for MRFs in Poland

EcoPaperLoop Final Conference in Krakow

“Improving the quality of paper for recycling” has been one of the targets of the EcoPaperLoop project that expired with the end of 2014. At least in Poland, home of one of the project partners, this goal seems difficult to achieve: While the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) funds respective projects, the recent Polish “waste management revolution” has to be revised. This became clear at the final EcoPaperLoop conference in Kraków in December.

The Kraków presentations including videos can be found on the EcoPaperLoop website: www.ecopaperloop.eu.

Proceedings together with recommendations from the projects findings will be distributed at the INGEDE Symposium.



Katażyna Godlewska from the Association of Polish Papermakers (SPP) portrayed very current issues of paper for recycling in Poland. According to SPP, the actual paper recycling rate in Poland in 2013 was 45,6%, quite low compared to the average of all CEPI countries (71,9%). The most important reason is that Polish municipalities often replace selective collection strategies by simple, but cheaper distinction between ‘wet’ and ‘dry’ waste. Another reason is the existence of central subsidies for mixed waste sorting plants. A possible solution is education of both the paper consumers and municipalities, and investment in the field of selective

collection of paper for recycling.

Beata Kłopotek from the Polish Ministry of Environment presented the



Polish government’s position on the shift towards circular economy. The government sees an opportunity for better sustainable growth and efficient management of resources. There are still many barriers to overcome – the main barrier according to Kłopotek is the lack of infrastructure and lack of confidence expressed in the fear of additional costs and bureaucratic burdens. In order to resolve those issues, a better and more precise understanding of the steps necessary for this shift is needed.



In Kraków, also Daniele Bussini of the Milano based Innovhub-SSP, for the first time presented the results of a life cycle analysis study comparing the environmental properties of flexographic and offset news that ended in favour of offset due to the poor deinking behavior of flexographic prints.

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Preliminary Programme



09.00 h	Registration and Coffee
09.30 h	Update on INGEDE's Activities, INGEDE Strategy 2015 and Beyond Ulrich Höke, Stefan Endras
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16.30 h	Overview of relevant Research Projects Elisabeth Hanecker, Johannes Kappen
17.00 h	Outlook and Closure Ulrich Höke

Conference languages will be German and English with simultaneous translation.

13 Jan 2015