

THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY ACTION PLAN FOR BUILDINGS & CONSTRUCTION



Building on the circular economy actions implemented since 2015 and in conjunction with the European Green Deal's ambition, the EU's CEAP is at the heart of a new regenerative growth strategy for Europe. It looks at reducing material footprint, increasing circular material use rate and addressing key product value chains.

CURRENT KEY EU FRAMEWORK FOR CONSTRUCTION & BUILDING SECTOR

HARD LEGISLATION

Construction Product **Regulation**

Waste Framework **Directive**

Energy Performance of Buildings **Directive**

Energy Efficiency **Directive**

Renewable Energy **Directive**

EU Emissions Trading System (ETS) and Effort Sharing **Regulation**

Regulation on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (**REACH**)

Ecodesign **Directive**

Energy Labelling **Regulation**

SOFT INSTRUMENTS

Strategy for the sustainable competitiveness of the construction sector and its enterprises

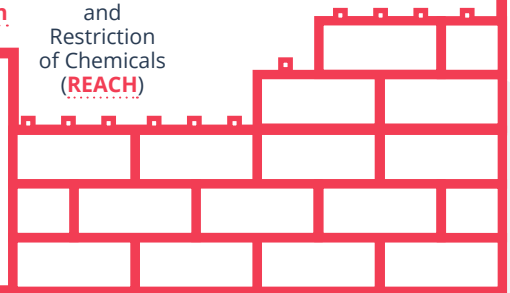
Resource Efficiency **Opportunities** in the Building Sector

EU Construction and Demolition Waste Protocol and **Guidelines**

Circular Economy **Principles** for Building Design

Dedicated **Ecolabels**

Dedicated Green Public Procurement **criteria**



WHAT'S NEXT?

Strategy for sustainable built environment – 2021

Renovation Wave initiative – 2020

Sustainable product policy framework – 2021

Mandatory Green Public Procurement criteria & targets – as of 2021

Use of **Level(s)** to integrate lifecycle assessment in **public procurement** and the EU **sustainable finance framework**

EU funding programmes for the circular economy – 2020

Chemicals strategy for sustainability – 2020

Interface between chemical, products and waste – 2021

PRODUCTS

- Revision of Construction Product Regulation (addressing sustainability & recycled content in construction products)
- Prevention of greenwashing, (companies must substantiate green claims) – 2021
- Promoting durability and adaptability of built assets & digital logbooks for buildings
- European Circular dataspace & digital products passports – 2021

EMISSIONS & ENERGY EFFICIENCY

- EU Climate Law – ongoing
- Review of EU energy and emissions laws (ESR) – 2021
- Exploring appropriateness of carbon reduction targets (ETS) & the potential of carbon storage

WASTE

- Revision of EU material recovery targets for construction and demolition waste
- Ban on the destruction of unsold durable goods
- Support to innovation for sorting, re-use & recycling
- Reduce soil sealing; rehabilitate abandoned/contaminated brownfield; increase safe, sustainable and circular use of excavated soils



INITIATIVES AT INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

- EU Carbon Border Tax – 2021
- Waste Shipment Directive revision (restrictions to 3rd countries exports) – 2021
- Global Circular Economy Forum launch – 2021



Curious to know more about an initiative, its impact on your business and how you can contribute? Contact our expert Tania at tpentcheva@cambre-associates.com