

Batumi Initiative on Green Economy (BIG-E)
Actions by Lithuania

Country: Lithuania

Title:

Improvement of the National Waste Management System in Lithuania, by:

**-Separate collection of reusable and recyclable wastes and materials (including deposit system);
-Banning food waste disposal to landfills and establishing programme for collection of food waste in residential areas and catering services.**

Focus area 4; 5: Shift consumer behaviours towards sustainable consumption patterns; Develop clean physical capital for sustainable production patterns

Description of the action: The major national objective in waste management sector is to reduce the generation of waste, to minimize landfilling and to increase the reuse and recycling. In pursuing the waste management hierarchy, population will be consistently motivated by economic means to separate waste at source (green waste, food/kitchen waste, recyclables, including packaging).

Measures to be taken:

- a) Further development of the municipal waste collection and treatment system. Investments will be made in waste collection infrastructure, i.e. containers and container sites for separate collection (recyclables and textile), biodegradable (green and food) and mixed waste
- b) Financial incentives will be provided for scaling-up and modernisation of capacities to prepare waste for recycling, re-use or other recovery.

Action's timeframe/milestones, as appropriate: 2014–2023.

Type of action: Legal/Regulatory/Economic/ Information, education-based instruments.

Economic sectors: Waste.

Reference instruments and sources, as appropriate: EU Circular economy package.

Expected co-benefits and impact of the outcome: Improved resource efficiency.

SDGs target(s) that the action may contribute to implement: Action contributes to SDG target 12.3 By 2030, halve per capita global food waste at the retail and consumer levels and reduce food losses along production and supply chains, including post-harvest losses; 12.5 By 2030, substantially reduce waste generation through prevention, reduction, recycling and reuse.

Implementation of EPR Recommendations, as appropriate: —

Objectively verifiable indicators, as appropriate: Share of paper, plastic, metal and glass waste in municipal waste stream, prepared for re-use or recycling increased from 17 % to 50 % by 2023; Additional/improved municipal waste separate collection capacity – 150,000 Tonnes/year.

Partner: Municipalities

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