



Waste Management Intelligent Systems and Policies



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Welcome to the WINPOL Flash #1!



In recent years technology and innovation have reached the field of waste. However, their adoption is still limited. This is why the European project [WINPOL](#) has been launched. Its aim? Further promote the use of intelligent equipment and related policies in the field of waste management.

9 project partners are joining forces to work towards mainstreaming those on a European scale, learning from one another and from other existing examples in the field. Apart from interregional exchange of knowledge and practices, the partners will implement concrete actions on their territories to improve local situations through smarter waste management and adapted policies.

In this first issue of the WINPOL newsletter, you will: discover what this new project is all about; meet EMULSA – the project leader; and learn how to get involved in the promotion of smart waste management.

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NEWS FROM THE PROJECT



WINPOL kicked off in Gijón

The kick-off meeting of the project WINPOL took place in Gijón (Spain) on 5-6 September 2018, hosted by EMULSA. It included a study visit for partners to discover the programme and equipment used by EMULSA to support waste management in the city. [More](#)



Become a WINPOL Stakeholder and contribute to the project's success

The improvements to local policy instruments will only be successful if a wider audience has the chance to contribute and support the work of the project partners. This is why local experts and interested parties are invited to join one of the stakeholder groups in the six partner territories of WINPOL. [More](#)



WINPOL on tour in your region or city!

WINPOL is not only a project for waste technicians and specialists. In fact, it addresses everyone – as a citizen and producer of waste. Information Days are organised to present WINPOL's aims and activities and explain how everyone in the partners' cities and regions can get involved. [More](#)

NEWS FROM THE PARTNERS



Who is EMULSA, leading the WINPOL project?

At the head of the project is EMULSA, the municipal company managing household waste collection in the municipality of Gijón (Spain). Through WINPOL, EMULSA will use good practices implemented in other countries to gather ideas on the use of new information technologies to improve waste minimisation, selective collection or recycling rates and the introduction of a fairer model of payment by generation. [More](#)



WINPOL at the XXVI ANEPMA Technical Conference

WINPOL was in the focus of a session of the annual technical conference of the Spanish National Association of Public Environmental Enterprises which took place from 16 to 18 October 2018 in Gijón. During the session dedicated to innovation and information technologies applied to waste management the project was presented and examples from Antwerp, Maribor and Bergen were shared. [More](#)

IN THE MEANTIME...



How to link tourism and sustainable waste management with SMART technologies

Tourism often brings specific challenges regarding waste prevention and management for touristic cities due to their geographical and climatic conditions, the seasonality of tourism flow and the specificity of tourism industry and of tourists as waste producers. Partners of the Horizon2020 URBAN-WASTE project have developed specific ICT tools to address these challenges and recently launched a phone application, the Wasteapp. [More](#)



Member States to benefit from quarter of a billion euros of investments in environment, nature and climate action

The European Commission has approved an investment package of 243 million euros from the EU budget for projects supporting Europe's transition to a more sustainable and low-carbon future. The EU funding under the LIFE programme for the Environment and Climate Action will mobilise additional investments leading to a total of 430.7 million euros going towards 142 new projects. With numerous transnational projects funded, LIFE will have an impact in every EU Member State. [More](#)

What's next?

Now that WINPOL has been set in motion, partners are working on the core theme of the project: innovative systems and policies for waste management. The main tasks awaiting partners for the upcoming six months is to assess the current situation with regard to intelligent equipment and planning on their territories and identify good practices. Events will also take place on each partner territory, giving the opportunity for local actors to get involved in the project.

[More](#)

The WINPOL project - Waste Management Intelligent Systems and Policies - aims to foster and promote the use of intelligent equipment and planning derived from it, through improved waste management policies, thus contributing to waste minimisation in European cities and regions. Find out more on www.interregeurope.eu/winpol



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