

Meet-Up on

Circular Economy in Serbia

Belgrade, Serbia; **November 30, 2021**

Event venue: Online, co-hosted by the Belgrade Metropolitan University

EVENT PROGRAMME

10:00 – 10:10	Diana Modrakova , Strategic Project Support Officer at EIT – <i>EIT: Boosting the innovation talent and capacity of Europe</i>
10:10 – 10:20	Self – networking and 1on1s
10:20 – 10:30	Aleksandra Vučinić , Ministry of Environment, Head of the Circular Economy Department, <i>Circular economy in the Republic of Serbia</i>
10:30 – 10:40	Self – networking and 1on1s
10:40 – 10:50	David Peck TU Delft – Critical Materials & Circular education for professionals and society
10:50 – 11:00	Self – networking and 1on1s
11:00 – 11:10	Dušan Stokić , Chamber of commerce and industry of Serbia, Center for Environment, Technical Regulations, Quality and Social Responsibility, <i>Environmental issues from the business perspective in the context of European Green Deal and Circular economy in Serbia</i>
11:10 – 11:20	Self – networking and 1on1s
11:20 – 11:30	EIT Food expert (tbd) – Circular Economy and the agri-food sector, challenges and sustainability
11:30 – 11:40	Self – networking and 1on1s
11:40 – 11:50	Jelena Kiš , Ball Packaging Belgrade, Public affairs and sustainability <i>Vision of circularity for can</i>
11:50 – 12:00	Self – networking and 1on1s
12:00 – 12:10	Tuan Trinh – EIT Digital interim node director in Budapest, <i>Blockchain Technology and the Circular Economy: Examples and Future Perspectives</i>
12:10 – 12:20	Self – networking and 1on1s
12:20 – 12:30	Tina Benda , EIT RawMaterials – <i>Closing remarks</i>

Local Speakers Profiles



Ms Aleksandra Vučinić worked in the cosmetic industry from 1996 before joining the Ministry of Environmental Protection of the Republic of Serbia, in 2002. During this time she was performed different tasks in the Waste Management Department and the Department for Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control. Due to her long-standing commitment in supporting sustainable development policies, in 2018 she was appointed as the national coordinator for circular economy, heading the Department for Circular and Green Economy, and the cross-ministerial, multi-stakeholder Group for Circular Economy.

Ms Vučinić earned her undergraduate degree in chemistry at the Faculty of Chemistry, at the Belgrade University, and later a Master's degree in the field of protection and improvement of environment, at the Institute for Multidisciplinary Studies, also at the University of Belgrade. She is the author of more than 20 professional and scientific papers in the field of environmental protection



Dušan Stokić obtained his master's degree at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University of Belgrade, in the fields of thermotechnics and cryogenic engineering. In his professional career he has been working on the preparation of technical documentation for thermal ventilation equipment, then, he worked as an operator on a plant for the production of liquid helium. Also, he worked as a consultant for small and medium-sized enterprises. Since 2001, he has been working within the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia (CCIS) on topics related to environmental protection, standardization, quality, product safety, sustainable business, social responsibility, etc. Currently he is on the position of the head of the Center for Environment, Technical Regulations, Quality and Social Responsibility. He is active as: President of the A207 National Commission for ISO 14000 series of standards, leader of the CCIS Team for performing the National Award for Corporate Social Responsibility, member of a Commission for the Eco-label of the Republic of Serbia at the Ministry of Environmental Protection, member of the Negotiating Group 27 on behalf of the CCIS. From 2006 to 2018, he was engaged, as an external associate-lecturer, at the Faculty of Organizational Sciences, on the subject "Normative quality regulation - CE mark for products".



Jelena Kis is working on management of the public affairs and sustainability programs in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, with emphasis on Hungary, Czech Republic, Romania, Slovenia and Serbia as well as Russia and Turkey. Represent company on regional forums and events as well as in professional associations, present company interests in national procedures as well as in framework of the industrial associations and committees related to the packaging and environment.

Jelena is a part of Ball's sustainability team in Europe, working on the introduction of the different sustainability programs in production locations as well as other sustainability initiatives related to recycling, energy efficiency, certifications etc.

In previous role Jelena fully developed one specific initiative „Every Can Counts“ (<https://www.everycancounts.eu/>) in Serbia and region (Slovenia, Croatia, Montenegro and Bosnia and Hercegovina) as part of the network of 14 countries in Europe, supported by can makers and aluminium industry. Every Can Counts aims to enable and encourage more people to recycle the drinks cans they use outside the home; specifically in workplaces and at locations and on occasions when people are 'on the go'. The programme offers advice and practical support to organizations wishing to improve their recycling. Chairman of the environmental group within the NALED. By qualification, Jelena is Mag. ING. Biology with expertise in Environment, finished studies at University of Zagreb, FACULTY OF SCIENCE, Department for Biology