Circular Economy – An OEM Perspective







THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY 1000







Press Release – call on industry

Lexmark applauds European Commission plans and outlines measures to curb printer cartridge waste in Europe

"We now call on our industry to promote sound practice and good policy to alleviate the issues around printer cartridge waste and the <u>poor</u> rates of collection and reuse."



"We call on the European Commission to consider applying <u>Extended Producer Responsibility</u> legislation to printer cartridges in order to close the material loop in this sector."





Kleen Strike response to Lexmark*



Kleen Strike remarked that it is "heartening and encouraging that a number of OEMs are embracing the concept of reuse rather than recycling, and **applauds** Lexmark's pledge to reuse 50 percent of returned cartridges..."

"any publicity for promoting cartridge reuse over recycling is a good thing",

"the move will certainly bring <u>awareness</u> that once a cartridge is used it is still a valuable resource and is important in contributing towards a more circular economy"





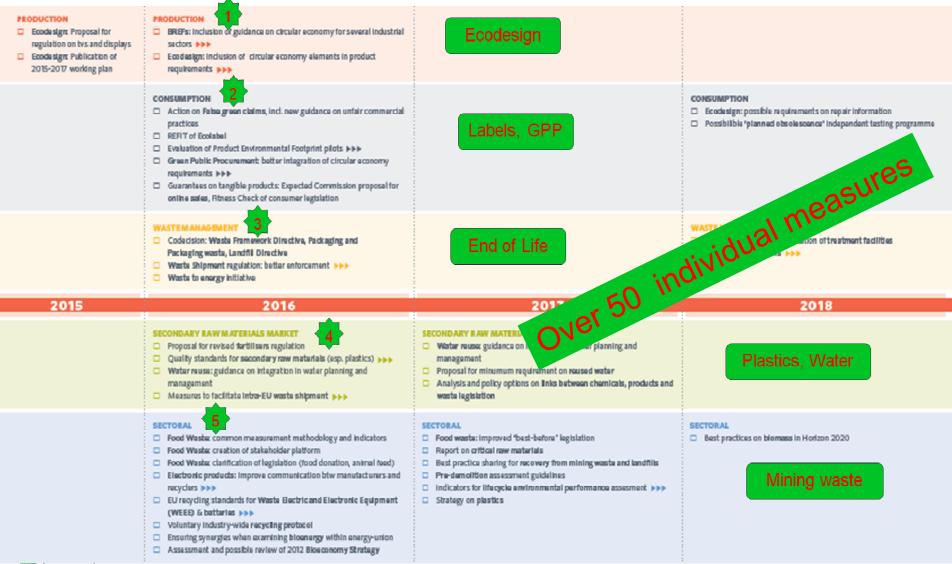


The EU Commission defines a circular economy as one

"where the value of products, materials and resources is maintained in the economy for as long as possible, the generation of waste minimized, and resources are kept within the economy when a product has reached the end of its life, to be <u>used again and again</u> to create further value"



EU Commission – Circular Economy Action Plan



Our story on the Circular economy Reduce Plastic Waste

In the EU less than 25% of collected plastic waste is recycled and about 50% goes to landfill. No « One size fits all » approach.

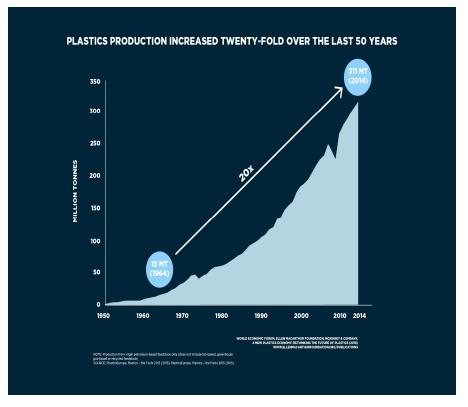
Best industry practice: printer cartridges
 400 million inkjet units sales p.a. in the EU
 150 million laser units sales p.a. in the EU





Cartridge waste in the EU

 50.000 tonnes of cartridges waste ending in landfill per year



Report by the World Economic Forum (WEF) and Ellen MacArthur Foundation (EMF)

"Creating an effective after-use plastics economy is the cornerstone of the New Plastics Economy and its first priority."





Lexmark wants EU action to require:

- All suppliers to provide a free take-back facility
- All cartridges sold in Europe by 2020 to include 50% remanufactured components or be recyclable
- Compulsory environmental criteria to be introduced into public procurement
- Remanufacturing and recycling of products to be promoted by user labeling intended to guarantee quality operating performance
- Disposal of cartridges to landfill or incineration without energy recovery to be made <u>illegal</u> by providing **incentives** for suppliers to collect and reuse their products



Objectives

- ✓ Request a more ambitious EU action plan from the Commission
- Create new jobs in the Reuse sector (collecting, sorting, remanufacture)
- √ Focus on Extended Producer Responsibility

- Create best practice scenario for printing industry & move up the waste hierarchy
- ✓ Look for financial incentives



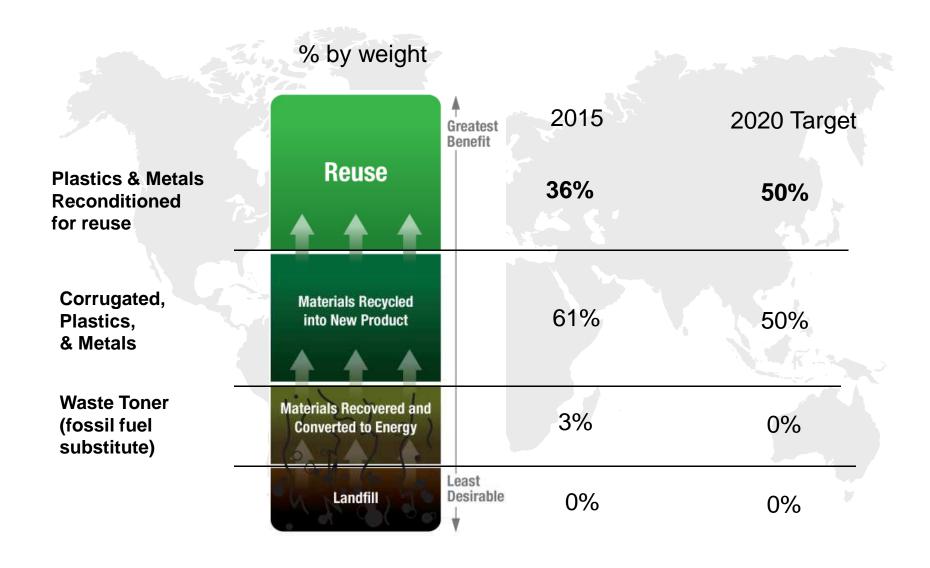
Revision Waste Directive

Draft report of ENVI Committee/EU Parliament on the waste directive

- "Promote and support the production and the use of products that are resource efficient, durable, reusable,..."
- "Member States shall take measures in order to <u>incentivise</u> remanufacturing, refurbishment and repurposing of products."

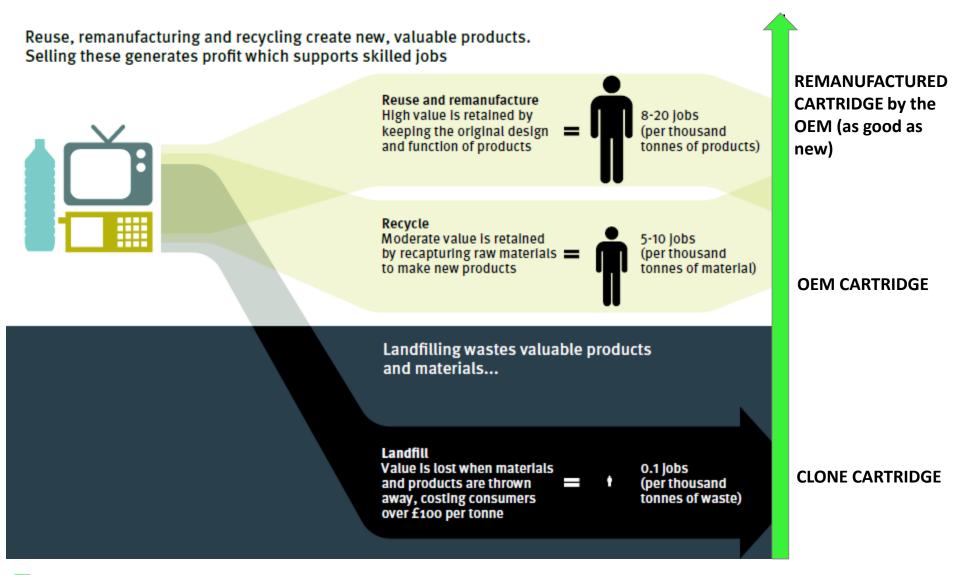


Move up the waste hierarchy





Reuse & Remanufacturing creates local jobs





Source: The Green Alliance Trust

Actions needed against illegal clones

- Customers don't differentiate between clone and remanufactured cartridges
- Need to inform & educate customers
 - Local job impact
 - Legal risks
 - Expose environmental & social issues
 - REACH, WEEE2
 - Take-back responsibility



- Sell a total cost of ownership approach
 - Legal fees, HW damage, reputation, decreased productivity, criminal liability





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