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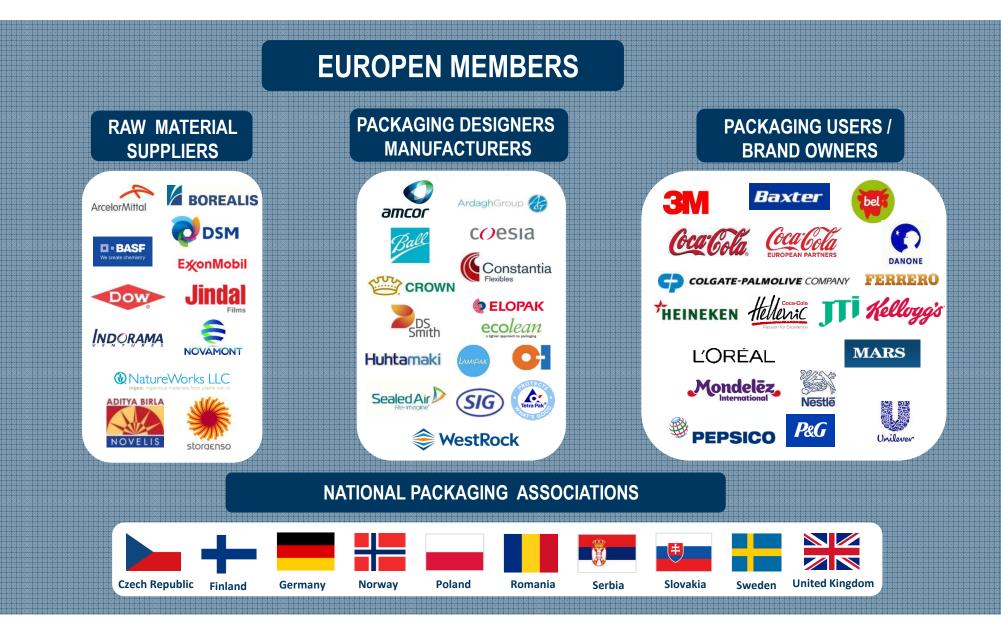
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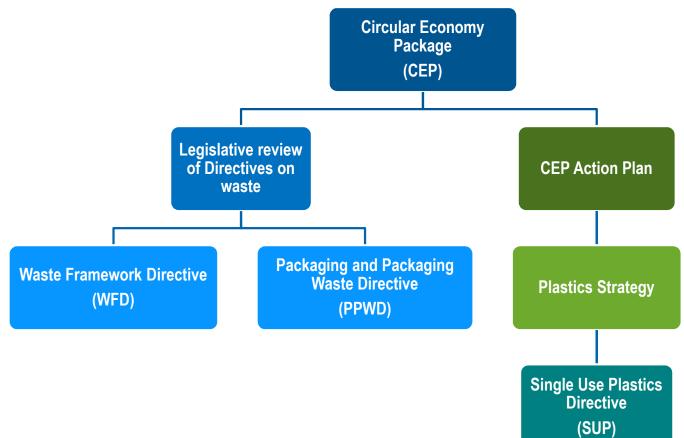


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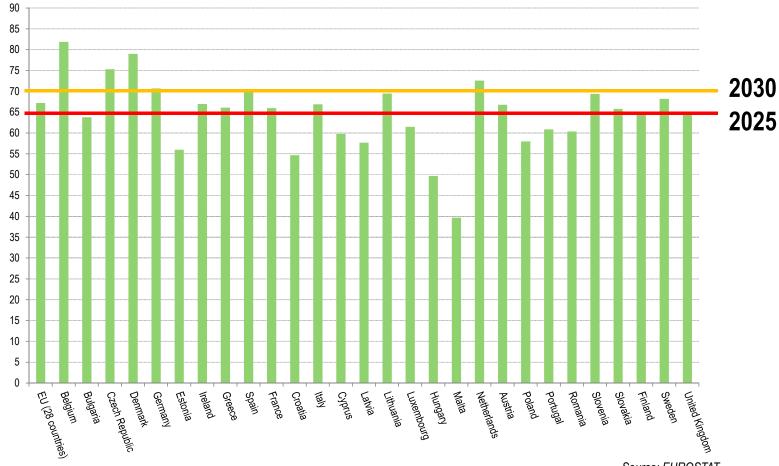
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Increased recycling targets for packaging waste

	Current targets	2025	2030
Overall target	55 % - 80 %	65%	70%
Plastic	22,5 %	50%	55%
Wood	15 %	25%	30%
Ferrous metals	50 % (metal)	70%	80%
Aluminium	50 % (metal)	50%	60%
Glass	60 %	70%	75%
Paper and Cardboard	60 %	75%	85%

+ Landfilling municipal waste reduced to maximum 10% by 2035

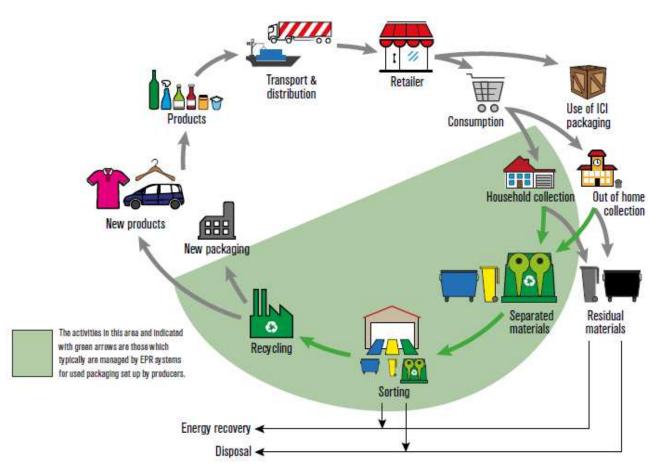
Recycling rate for all packaging in EU Member States (2016)



Source: EUROSTAT

Extended Producer Responsibility

Financial contributions by producers



Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

New requirements



• Introduction of a new **EU legal framework** for Extended Producer Responsibility.



 Objective: increase transparency, cost-efficiency, accountability, and enforcement of EPR obligations at national level → to help Member States achieve increased recycling targets.

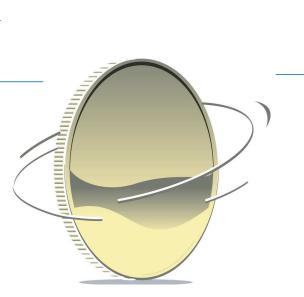
- Challenges:
 Ensure full, fair and harmonised implementation at national level.
 - **Demarcation** of producers' financial obligations within EPR along with the **shared responsibility principle**.

EPR fee modulation and Essential Requirements for packaging

Two sides of the same coin

Essential Requirements

- Cover packaging's full life-cycle
- Objective: Strengthened requirements with a view to enhancing the design for reuse and a high quality recycling of packaging.
- Consideration of material specificity of ER
- packaging ratio and suggestion to remove/update/add new CEN standards
- Enforceability, recyclability, reuse, recycled content (for targeted applications)



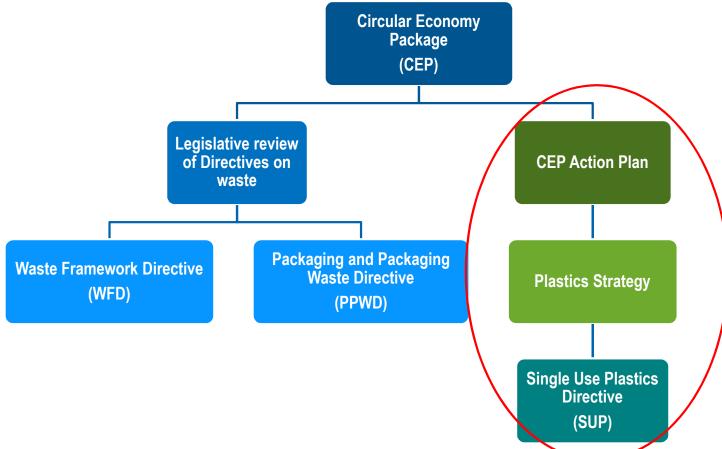


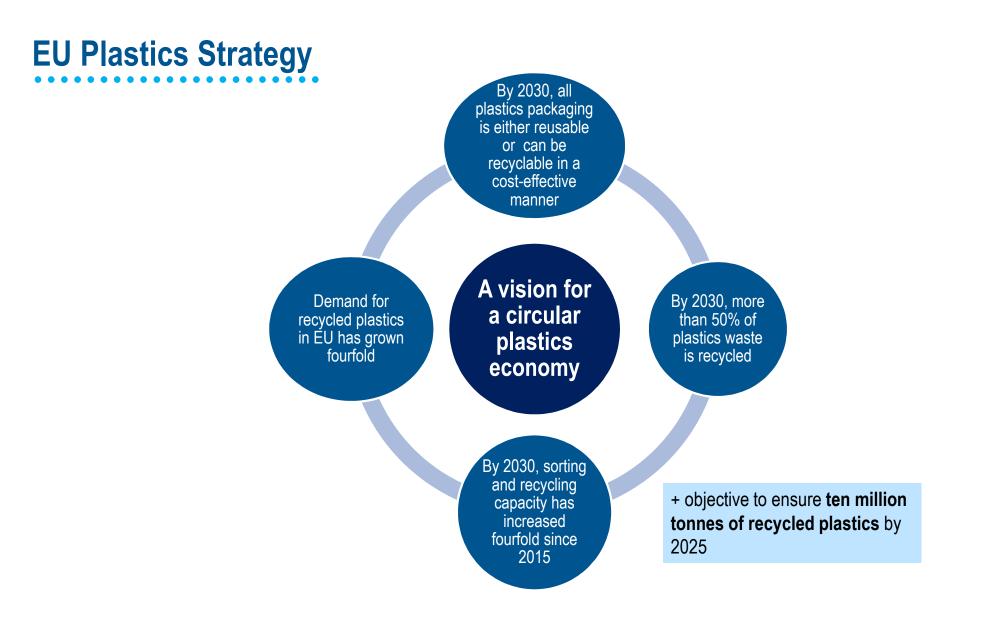
- Cover end-of-life of packaging
- Criteria for fee modulation: durability, reparability, reusability and recyclability, recycled content (for targeted applications) and presence of hazardous substance
- Focus on necessary costs (incl. litter clean up costs), how to prevent free-riding
- Objective of the guidelines: ensure harmonised criteria across Europe, coherence in the Internal Market

EU Plastics Strategy and the Single Use Plastics Directive

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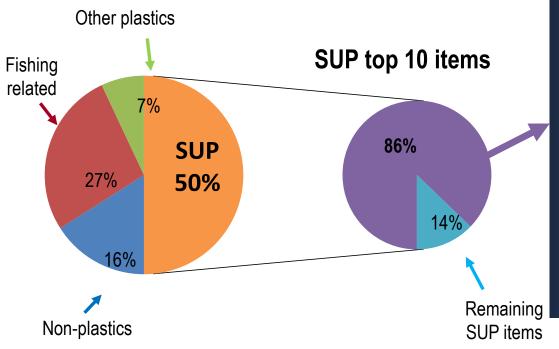
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Single-Use Plastics Directive

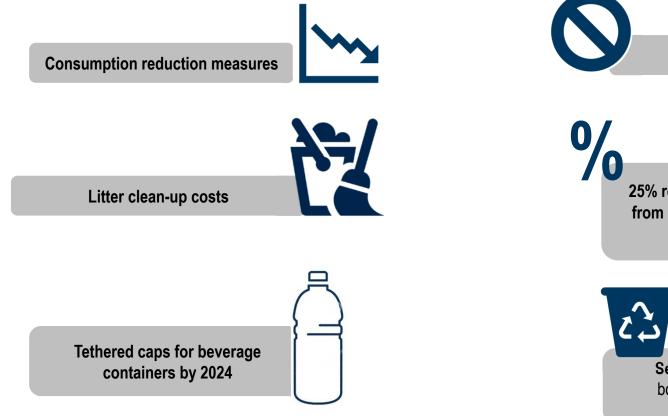
Objectives





Single Use Plastics Directive

Key outcomes





25% recycled content in PET bottles from 2025 and 30% for all beverage bottles from 2030



Separate collection target for beverage bottles (77% by 2025 and 90% by 2029)

Single-use Plastics Directive

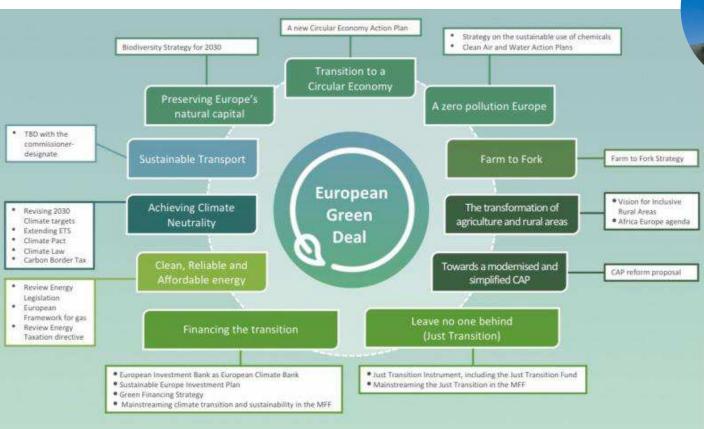
A fragmented Internal Market

- Vagueness of definitions for "plastics" and "single-use plastics products" and "food containers" risks leading to **diverging interpretations** by Member States.
- A regulatory patchwork would jeopardise the Internal Market and hamper the free movement of packaging and packaged goods and ultimately stall innovation in sustainable solutions.



A European Green Deal

Timmermans's proposals





EUROPEN corporate members commitments

recycling Infrastructure material sourcing recycling Infrastructure material sourcing

packaging optimisation waste management

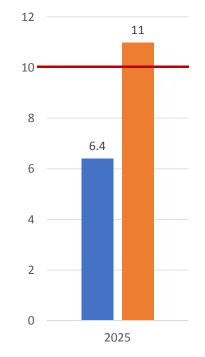
EU Plastics Strategy

Voluntary commitments on recycled plastic content



2018 Pledging campaign initiated by the European Commission for the industry to boost the market for recycled plastics

Pledges assessment



■ demand ■ supply

Objective



"By 2025 ten million tonnes of recycled plastics find their way into new products on the EU market."

Circular Plastics Alliance

Goals and Commitments







Design for recycling

Collection & sorting

Recycled content





Monitoring

Circular Plastics Alliance Confirmed co-signatories



31 EU trade associations + 14 national associations



+ recyclers and EPR systems



77 companies (11 EUROPEN members)





3 public authorities







Portugal

Thank you!

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