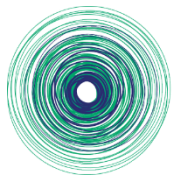


National press release:



## Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin 2023

**Secure Your Spot: Tickets are Now Available for the Circular Economy Hotspot in Dublin, May 29th - June 1<sup>st</sup>!**

- Major international four-day event on the circular economy, hosted in Dublin for this year only.
- The event will put Dublin on the circular economy map internationally, highlighting and celebrating ground-breaking circular economic initiatives in Dublin, with venues spanning from the Mansion House to Croke Park.
- The event is an opportunity to learn about what the circular economy actually looks like in practice, clarifying the topic for Irish organisations, policymakers, media, businesses, social enterprises and citizens.
- The event will revolve around three key themes: Policy in Practice, Citizen Engagement, and Innovation & Collaboration.
- Tickets On Sale Here: <https://www.dublincirculareconomyhotspot.com/tickets>

**16<sup>th</sup> May 2023:** Tickets are now available for the *Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin 2023* which kicks off on May 29th. This four-day international event is taking place in Dublin from May 29th to June 1st, 2023. Hosted by a different city or region each year, the *Circular Economy Hotspot* is an opportunity to learn from, network with, and be inspired by the very best in sustainability. Previous annual events have taken place in Holland, Scotland, Norway, Catalonia, Belgium, North Rhine-Westphalia and Luxembourg. This year for the first time, international Hotspot events will also be taking place in Lagos, Nigeria, and Santiago, Chile.

The celebration will begin with a welcome reception in the Round Room at Dublin's Mansion House. Attendees will be addressed by the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Caroline Conroy, Minister of State with Responsibility for the Circular Economy, Ossian Smyth TD, and Owen Keegan, Chief Executive of Dublin City Council.

Over the four days, attendees will learn about practical steps and resources to mobilise action within their respective countries, network with international stakeholders and engage in inspiring discussions through talks, tours, workshops and topic deep dives.

Lord Mayor of Dublin, Caroline Conroy, said: *"Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin 2023 is a fantastic opportunity for Dubliners to learn more about what the circular economy actually is, and why it has taken root so successfully in Dublin. The next few days will see a range of top-level experts sharing their expertise for the betterment of society, but also grassroots organisations sharing why their initiatives have worked so well. The circular economy is absolutely crucial for creating a sustainable future so I'm thrilled to see Dublin host such an event."*

The event will revolve around three key themes: Policy in Practice, Citizen Engagement, and Innovation & Collaboration. These themes will be explored across four innovative focus areas: Social Enterprise, Design & Manufacturing, Built Environment, and Food Systems & the Bioeconomy.

Speaking on behalf of the hotspot steering committee, Dr Sarah Miller, Chief Executive at The Rediscovery Centre added: *"The Circular Economy Hotspot is a unique gathering of international experts, industry leaders, and forward-thinking individuals, all dedicated to advancing the circular economy agenda. It provides a platform for knowledge exchange, collaboration, and innovation, fueling transformative ideas that can help us live and work more sustainably. We are really excited to see this come to Dublin."*

Minister Ossian Smyth said: *"Ireland has made significant strides in embracing circularity, and this event will further accelerate our progress as well as create a lasting legacy. From policy developments, business model innovations, research and funding opportunities that will shape the development of the circular economy for years to come, Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin 2023 will showcase inspiring success stories and practical solutions that can be implemented across our nation. The aim is to make waste a thing of the past."*

For more information on Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin 2023, including the full agenda of events, visit the website at <https://www.dublincirculareconomyhotspot.com> or e-mail [hello@dublincirculareconomyhotspot.com](mailto:hello@dublincirculareconomyhotspot.com)

About Us:

*The Steering Committee for Circular Economy Hotspot Dublin 2023 is a collaboration of leading organisations in the fields of circular economy and waste management, chaired by The Rediscovery Centre. The committee comprises representatives from Dublin City Council, the Eastern & Midlands Regional Waste Management Planning Office, CIRCULÉIRE and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications. These experts have united to host the Circular Economy Hotspot 2023 in Dublin, with exciting events spanning over four days to raise awareness of Dublin's commitment to the circular economy.*

### **Event Locations**

- Dublin's Mansion House
- Croke Park
- The Wood Quay Venue
- Guinness Storehouse and Guinness Enterprise Centre
- The Rediscovery Centre
- Cloughjordan Eco Village
- Recreate
- OPW/Farrell
- Airfield Estate
- FoodCloud
- Dublin Waste to Energy Facility
- GIY: Grow It Yourself