

# The Circular Economy and Inclusive Employment: Modelling key sectors and products

June 4 [14:00 to 15:30] – Veranda Hall, Finlandia Hall

## Event Description

### Concept

Sitra and IISD have engaged on a study to attempt to estimate the impacts that the adoption of a circular economy would have on employment in Finland. This study looks at the impacts that specific measures such as increased efficiency or reduction of waste will have on the labour market across a range of sectors in the Finnish economy. The study is a combination of qualitative research on how circular economy measures have been implemented with an eye to creating employment, as well as quantitative approaches looking to estimate net job impacts of circular economy measures on Finnish sectors and products economy over the coming decades.

### Expected Outcome

The objective of this side event is to bring together seasoned policy-makers, representatives of international organizations and stakeholder groups to share results and lessons learned and invite discussion on how employment is a critical aspect of circular economy approaches, including areas of job growth and where measures have to be taken to ensure a smooth transition.

## Event Structure

**Coordinator:** Ms. Leena-Kaisa Piekkari, Sitra

**Moderator:** Mr. Peter Wooders IISD

## Run of the Show

14:00 – **Opening**

- 14:15
1. Moderator (**Peter Wooders**) introduces the participants and introduces Sitra. Sitra (**Kari Herlevi**) – Perspectives on circular economy, why employment is an important consideration, and how circular economy fits Sitra's Agenda in Finland

14:15 – **The Circular Economy and Inclusive Employment**  
14:30

2. Keynote speech by **Philip Gass**, Senior Policy Analyst, IISD, with **Andrea Bassi**, Associate, IISD  
*Topic: “The Circular Economy and Inclusive Employment”*

14:30 – **Interactive Panel Discussion – Perspectives on CE and Employment**  
14:50

3. Moderator introduces the panellists

**Shardul Agrawala**

Head, Environment and Economy Integration Division,  
OECD Environment Directorate

**Carlos Tapia**

Foundation Tecnalia Research and Innovation  
Expert in circular and Employment

**Antonia Gawel**

Head of Circular Economy Initiative,  
World Economic Forum

Others TBC

14:50 – **Questions and Answers**  
15:25

15:25 – **Closing Remarks**  
15:30