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Welcome to the second event: 31 August 2020 In partnership with Bled Strategic Forum (BSF)

Stewarding Sustainability Transformations in Slovenia

The Circular Change Conference is one of key European gatherings of circular economy changemakers. In 4 years more than 2.000 participants and over 150 international speakers from more than 30 countries shared their knowledge and fostered the transition towards circular economy. So far, the event has also served as a high-level meeting point, under the honorary sponsorship of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia.

This year our **5th edition has been transformed into an online "roadshow"** that consists of **5 events based on 5 partnerships**. Within these 5 virtual sessions we are highlighting key challenges and opportunities for the **Circular Transition in the perspective of Post-COVID-19 Green Recovery**.

In partnership with the 15th edition of <u>BSF</u>, we are introducing an online event, that will take place on zoom, on **Monday, 31 August 2020, 14:00 – 16:30 (CET)**.

Our main focus will be on Slovenia in the context of European "new reality": **What does Slovenia have to offer?** The journey - from the Roadmap Towards the Circular Economy in Slovenia (2018) to the launch of "Deep Demonstration of a Circular, Regenerative and Low-Carbon Economy in Slovenia" with EIT Climate-KIC (2019/2020) - is paving the way towards sustainability as one of the topics of the **Slovenian Presidency of the European Council (2021)**.

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#EVENT 2/5 Stewarding Sustainability Transformations in Slovenia, Monday, 31 August 2020

Zoom and live streaming 14:00 - 16:30

Moderator:

Ladeja Godina Košir, Founder & Director Circular Change / Chair of the CG ECESP

14:00 - 14:15 Welcome remarks

Andrej Vizjak, Slovenian Minister of the Environment and Spatial Planning (video) **Tone Kajzer**, State Secretary, Slovenian Ministry of the Foreign Affairs Slovenian (video)

14:15 - 14:30 Keynote - Systems Change For Decarbonisation

Dr. Kirsten Dunlop, Chief Executive Officer, EIT Climate-KIC

14:30 – 15:30 Plenary Session 1: An insight into EU green & circular recovery / followed by Q&A

Freek van Eijk, Managing Director Holland Circular Hotspot lain Gulland, Chief Executive Zero Waste Scotland Nick Bridge, Foreign Secretary's COP26 Envoy, Special Representative for Climate Change Foreign and Commonwealth Office (video) Barna Kovacs PhD, Secretary-General at BIOEAST Initiative

15:30 – 16:20 Plenary Session 2: Stewarding Sustainability Transformations in Slovenia / followed by Q&A

Cliona Howie, Head of Circular Economy development and transition for EIT Climate-KIC Janja Kreitmayer McKenzie, Secretary, Ministry for the Environment and Spatial Planning **Mojca Markizeti**, Sustainability Manager at Iskraemeco Gregor Skender, Manager at Deloitte Slovenia

16:20 – 16:30 Open Discussion & Session Highlights

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