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## Conference on "Promoting Best Practices on Economic Instruments in Waste Management and the Circular Economy"

The [Institute for Circular Economy and Climate](#) of the European Public Law Organization (EPLO) organized a half day conference entitled: "**Promoting Best Practices on Economic Instruments in Waste Management and the Circular Economy**", held on **June 11, 2025, from 10:00 - 15:00**, at EPLO Athens, as part of the EU Green Week.

The event focused on building capacity and showcasing good practices in the use of economic instruments to support sustainable waste management, extended producer responsibility, and Greece's circular economy strategy, aligned with the EU waste hierarchy.

### Main speakers of the event:

- **Mr Konstantinos Aravosis** - Vice President of the Regulatory Authority for Waste, Energy and Water (RAAEY), President of the Waste Sector
- **Mr Kostas Bakoyannis** – f. Mayor of Athens
- **Dr. Dionysis Bountouvas**, CEO COMBATT
- **Mr. Manolis Grafakos** - Secretary-General for Waste Management Coordination at the Ministry of Environment and Energy
- **Mr Nikos Farantouris** - Business Unit Packaging Recovery Manager, Coca-Cola HBC, HoReCa Business Development Director Coca-Cola HBC Coca-Cola Hellas
- **Mr. Thanasis Gioses**, Country Sales Manager TOMRA Collection Greece
- **Mr Grigoris Konstantellos** - Mayor of Vari, Voula, Vouliagmeny, Vice President of Central Union of Municipalities of Greece (KEDE)
- **Mr George Konstantinopoulos**, attorney at law, head of legal affairs of ECOCITY
- **Prof. Maria Loizidou**, NTUA
- **Mr. Yannis Tzortzis**, Regulatory Authority for Waste, Energy, and Water (RAAEY)
- **Dr Alexandra Togia**, CEO Hellenic Recycling Agency (EOAN)
- **Dr. Efi Tritopoulou**, NTUA Researcher, Director General Filtra, President of EDEM Women Engineers Association
- **Dr Adamantios Skordilis**, Founder CIS

The event was in Greek and featured participants from the Ministry of Environment and Energy, EOAN, local authorities, the business community, academia, media, and civil society.

It was recorded and is available on the EPLO website and YouTube channel.