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## **New Circular Economy Package lacks concrete actions**

The new Circular Economy Package published by the European Commission lacks concrete actions to push plastics recycling across Europe.

"Recycling targets have been weakened, landfill ban is no longer foreseen, the recycling calculation methodology remains ambiguous, waste exports are not covered and waste sorting and quality is not tackled. Waste management needs clear guidance in order to perform efficiently and this facelifted package is lacking concrete actions" according to PRE Director Antonino Furfari.

Each step of the waste management must be guided to achieve the purpose of the Circular Economy. For instance, sorting waste is a fundamental step to achieve circularity of the materials, but sorting is not defined in any EU legislation.

Plastics Recyclers Europe looks forward to the positive discussions in the European Parliament and Council in order to work a truly more ambitious package.

This package will need more input from the institutions and stakeholders if growth for Europe is the objective of the Juncker Commission.

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## About Plastics Recyclers Europe

Plastics Recyclers Europe is the professional representative body of plastics recyclers in Europe. PRE promotes plastics mechanical recycling and conditions that enable profitable and sustainable business, while offering a service platform to its members.

Our members constitute 80% of the European recycling capacity, processing more than 3 million tonnes of collected plastics per year.

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