

**PROGRAM**  
**14<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL CIRCULAR ECONOMY CONFERENCE**  
*From linearity to circularity: new economic opportunities in thinking circular*  
 Wednesday, 11th October | Environmental Campus Birkenfeld

**08:30-09:00 REGISTRATION**

TIME	EVENT/DESCRIPTION	SPEAKER/MODERATOR
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**INAUGURAL SESSION & KEYNOTES** Moderator: Prof. Dr. Peter Heck

09:00-09:05	Opening of the 14th International Circular Economy Conference	Prof. Dr. Peter Heck , Managing Director, Institute for Applied Material Flow Management (IfaS)
09:05-09:15	Welcome Address	Prof. Dr. Dorit Schumann , President, Trier University of Applied Sciences
09:15-09:35	Climate protection and circular economy in Rhineland-Palatinate	State Secretary Michael Hauer , Ministry for Climate Protection, Environment, Energy and Mobility of the State of Rhineland-Palatinate
09:35-10:20	Practical approaches to circularity and resilience: the end of bla bla..	Prof. Dr. Peter Heck , Managing Director, Institute for Applied Material Flow Management (IfaS)
10:20-10:40	New Mechanisms for decarbonisation in the banking system	Dr. Michael Knaus , Head of Climate Protection Unit, DEG - Deutsche Investitions- und Entwicklungsgesellschaft mbH

**10:40-11:00 DISCUSSION & COFFEE BREAK**

11:00-11:15	Local strategies for resilience in Mauretania: case study from Nouakchot	N.N. , Mayor of Nouakchot, Islamic Republic of Mauritania
11:15-11:30	Trier Vision for carbon neutrality	N.N. , Stadtwerke Trier
11:30-11:45	New approaches to regional development in Kasai Province, Congo (DRC)	Minister Stephan Muanda Malombo , Minister of Economy, Kasai Province, DRC
11:45-12:00	Energy policy in Congo (DRC): challenges, achievements and opportunities	Prof. Dr. Teddy Lwamba Memba , Vice Director, Société nationale d'électricité de la RDC (SNEL)

**12:00-13:30 DISCUSSION & LUNCH BREAK**

**THEMATIC SESSIONS**

**SESSION ONE: BioEconomy & Circular Economy Strategies / Moderator: Prof. Dr. Klaus Helling**

13:30-13:45	Circular economy strategies for Tonga: making resilience a green business	Ken Davy , Biogas consultant and IfaS representative, Australia
13:45-14:00	Carbon footprint and active carbon management on company level: case study Namibian biomass and DHG supply chain	Max Berg , DHG Vertriebs- & Consultinggesellschaft mbH
14:00-14:15	Turning problems into opportunities: lessons to be learned from Rhein-Hunsrück county	Frank Michael Uhle , Climate Protection Manager, Rhein-Hunsrück County (requested)
14:15-14:30	BioEconomy and Circular Economy at works: Mann Energy Company as a showcase	Markus Mann , CEO, MANN Naturenergie GmbH & Co. KG (requested)

**SESSION TWO: Material Flow Analysis and Material Flow Management; Moderator: Dr. Felix Flesch**

14:35-14:50	Financing circularity	N.N. , European Investment Bank (requested)
14:50-15:05	New investment opportunities through Ressource Efficiency Checks	Dr. Felix Flesch , International Project Manager, Institute for Applied Material Flow Management (IfaS)
15:05-15:20	Sorting and sourcing plastic resources: new approaches from Tomra company	Oliver Lamberz , Tomra Systems ASA (requested)
15:20-15:35	Recycling of plastic as a tool for regional development and environmental protection	Tobias Gruben , bCircular/IfaS
15:35-15:50	Saving energy and material in water treatment: Cerafiltec experience	Douglas Espin , Cerafiltec company
15:50-16:05	Sustainability in production: leaving the linear approach behind	Prof. Dr. Bernd Sachweh , Vice President, International Panel of Mesoscience (IPM), Beijing,

**16:05-16:40 DISCUSSION & BREAK**

**SESSION THREE: New cooperation schemes in achieving sustainability and resilience / Moderator: Dr. Ranahansa Dissanayake**

16:40-16:55	Circular economy policy in Taiwan and practical steps to implementation	Shadow Chen , CEO, Circular Taiwan Network
16:55-17:10	Case studies in education for sustainability from Bogotá, Columbia	Johanna Marcela Suarez , Dean of the Engineering School, Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana
17:10-17:25	State of the art clay production and use for Africa: practical approach from eiwa Lehm	Waldemar Eider , CEO, eiwa Lehm GmbH
17:25-17:40	New interaction for sustainability and resilience between universities and communities in Africa: the ZECURA research project	Dr. Ranahansa Dissanayake , Head IMAT Masters Programme, International Project Manager, Institute for Applied Material Flow Management (IfaS)

**17:40-18:00 CLOSING REMARKS** Prof. Dr. Peter Heck

**19.30 GET TOGETHER & GALA DINNER**