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ITENE's description and research interest



ITENE was founded in 1.994 as a private association with **NON PROFITABLE PURPOSES** and integrated by companies and institutions related to Packaging and Logistics



ITENE'S previous experience

39 Projects financed in FP6-FP7

5 Coordinators 6 Technical management 28 WP leader

22 Financed projects in other calls: LIFE, Interreg, Ecoinnovation (coordinators in 3 Lifes and 1 Sudoe)

10 projects financed in H2020
2 Coordinators: PLASTICIRCLE, IMPACPAPEREC
1 Technical management BBI (Funkifiber)
7 Participation (EcoBulk, Agrimax,...)

20 SME's Instrument (support to the coordination, management and business)



120 Professional

23% Doctors

14 Qualifications

3% Annual investment in Technical training



• Objectives:

- Implement a full circular economy model incorporating regenerative and circular practices.
- Potential Materials in the city: Water, energy, air, soil, biomass, biowaste, recyclable materials.
- Potential Technologies: sensors, big data, observational programs, geolocalization and traceability, satellite navigation

Expected results

- Reduce consumption, creation/regeneration of resources directly in cities, environmental/economic improvement
- Involve citizens, public authorities and policy bodies in the circularity and regenerative processes of the city during and after the project.
- Development of new services and business models and create jobs



Νο	Expertise	Туре	Country	Role in the project
01				IOT – ICT-Big data Solutions
02				Co-Creation & Collaborative economy
03				Municipalities
04				Waste managers
05				Sorting and waste treatment plants
06				Experts on Water, energy, air, soil treatment & Valorization (to be defined)
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08				

INTERESTED IN OTHER TOPICS



- 1. Smart plastic materials with intrinsic recycling properties by design
- 2. Efficient recycling processes for plastic containing materials (IA)
- 3. Methods to remove hazardous substances and contaminants from secondary raw materials
- 4. Raw materials innovation for the circular economy: sustainable processing, reuse, recycling and recovery schemes



STEP 1: Design of polymer material and recycling technologies:

- 1. PILOT SCALE: Innovative deinking process (100kg/h) with an efficient water treatment system (LDPE, HDPE, PP and PS)
- 2. Polymer design to improve "Recyclability": use enzymes/bacteria to decompose the polymer into monomers that can be used as starting material in other polymerization processes
- 3. Universal additive: Additive to make conventional polymers also compostable.
- 4. Chemical recycling of multilayers: pyrolysis or gasification

In these topics, we could do...



STEP 2: Improvement of sorting technologies →Improve waste quality (purity)

- 1. Improved optical sorting/Magnetic separation
- 2. Autosorting: makers to be added in the plastics to sort them easily by material or group of materials. This is useful for black plastics, multilayers or compostable materials in general
- 3. Innovative Removable Adhesives: to achieve the easy separation of multilayers in the sorting plant (only with water, temperature, or specific removing components)

STEP 3: Valorization of other fractions contained in plastics into added value products



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