



High-Level Dissemination Event

Action Plan of Catalonia: strategic projection

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Key points for the implementation of the Action Plan:

- Benchmarking with STAKEHOLDERS.
- Important to know the needs of EMAS organizations
- Viable actions
- Complicity with key bodies to implement actions
- Important the role of the European Commission, that has to take into account EMAS in the European regulations.

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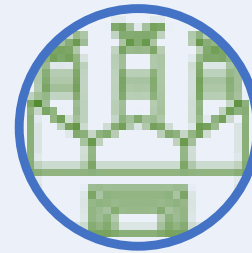
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Action n. 1

Reduction of Financial Guarantees (FG) for waste treatment activities

- Currently in Catalonia there are 24 EMAS of 238 total register (10% of the register) operating in the waste sector.
- The Catalan Waste Agency has included EMAS as one parameter for the calculation of the FG
- In process (Decree is not published yet)

Action n. 2

Special conditions for EMAS organizations participating in funding programs

- Programs:
 1. Promotion of the circular economy
 2. Prevention, preparation for reuse and recycling of industrial waste
 3. Prevention and preparation for reuse of municipal waste
- Extra points for EMAS organisations
- In programs 1 and 3, 5% of the applications awarded have been for EMAS organizations

Action n. 3

Promotion of EMAS through public procurement

- Guidelines for the promotion of EMAS in public procurement.
- Analysis of legal aspects to assess the possibilities of considering EMAS within the new legal framework for public procurement.
- Need of benchmarking
- In process

Action n. 4

Reduction / Simplification of inspections in EMAS organizations

- Identification of EMAS registered organisations, ISO 14001 certified organisations and organization with no EMS in the inspection reports of the Waste Agency of Catalonia.
- Analysis of the behaviour of organizations to evaluate the results of the inspections.
- Conclusion:
 - EMAS organizations have less legal breaches
 - It is necessary to study the behavior of organizations for longer to apply relief from inspections

Stakeholder: Catalan Waste Agency

Action n. 4

Reduction / Simplification of inspections in EMAS organizations

**DIRECTIVE 2010/75/EU OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL
of 24 November 2010 on industrial emissions**

Two lines of work:

- Take into account EMAS in the Environmental Inspection Program (IRAM methodology) on the Directive with the result of the extension of inspection frequency for EMAS organizations. (Already done)
- Evaluation of the potential use of the validated environmental statement and its data (consumption, emissions, processes...) as a reference document and a valid record for verification within the integrated environmental inspections (In process)

Action n. 5

Tax reduction for EMAS organizations EMAS

Tax reduction for EMAS organizations (not ISO 14001) in various rates applied by the Ministry of Territory and Sustainability.

New tax reduction 2020:

- Taxes related to procedures for the environmental authorization (-75%)
- Taxes for conducting on-site inspections for activities with a high potential environmental impact (Directive on industrial emissions) (-75%)
- Taxes for greenhouse gas emission authorization applications under the EU Emissions Trading Scheme (-75%)



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