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Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 November 2008 on waste

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Electrical equipment manufacturers have reacted bitterly to proposals tabled by the European commission on Wednesday which could force them to finance the collection of waste appliances from households...[continue](#)

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04/12/2008 (ENDS Europe)

The European commission has launched a fresh consultation to investigate whether the EU should agree harmonised rules on the collection and recycling of biowaste...[continue](#)

### [Commission tables revised EU electroscrap rules](#)

04/12/2008 (ENDS Europe)

The European commission has proposed a revision of EU legislation on waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE), including new national collection targets, increased recovery and recycling targets and a reinforcement of the producer responsibility principle...[continue](#)

### [UK: Government considers landfill bans and lower VAT for repair](#)

03/12/2008 (letsrecycle.com)

The government has revealed that it is "actively considering" banning specific waste

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streams from landfill and may look at re-structuring VAT to promote repair following the publication of a House of Lords report on waste reduction...[continue](#)

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### [Italy presses ahead with emergency waste rules](#)

01/12/2008 (ENDS Europe)

The Italian parliament's environment committee gave the go-ahead on Wednesday to a controversial government decree introducing jail sentences for illegal fly-tipping in the Naples area and financial incentives for incinerators in certain Italian regions...[continue](#)

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### [Ireland urges EU action to help recycling sector](#)

01/12/2008 (ENDS Europe)

Ireland has called for EU action to support Europe's recycling industry, which is being hit by a dramatic fall in demand for partially-recycled raw materials - "recyclates" - from major importers outside Europe...[continue](#)

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### [UK: New organic waste guidelines in the pipeline](#)

26/11/2008 (edie.net)

New guidelines are being drawn up to assess the risks of setting up composting sites and organic waste treatment facilities. They follow a three-year research project carried out by Cranfield University into the problems that can be caused by the sites...[continue](#)

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### [Europeans pilot waste reduction scheme](#)

26/11/2008 (edie.net)

Cities and regions across Europe are acting to highlight the problem of waste this week as part of a pilot initiative to reduce rubbish...[continue](#)

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### [Luton-based firm PYReco has announced plans to build Europe's first tyre recycling plant using pyrolysis technology](#)

25/11/2008 (letsrecycle.com)

Tyre recycling firm PYReco has announced plans to build "Europe's first" tyre recycling plant based around pyrolysis technology by the end of 2010...[continue](#)

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### [Trading of steel, paper and plastics appears to be increasing but prices are still extremely low](#)

25/11/2008 (letsrecycle.com)

Signs of stability are beginning to be seen in the recovered material markets after the recent falls in market prices but industry experts have warned there is still "a long way to go" before a return to normal market conditions, writes Chris Sloley...[continue](#)

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### [Waste to Energy 2008](#)

At the specialist convention and conference for energy from waste and biomass in Bremen, the topics range from the raw material of waste, biological combustion materials, financially sound plant management and the avoidance of emissions hazardous to the climate. Deadline for Abstracts: 1. July  
10 - 11 December 2008 Bremen, Germany

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### [8th International Electronics Recycling Congress \(IERC 2009\)](#)

The 8th International Electronics Recycling Congress will be an extremely challenging event: 'How do electronics manufacturers close the recycling loop and what are the challenges of the take back systems and the recycling industry?'  
21 - 23 January 2009 Salzburg, Austria

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### [15th LCA Case Studies Symposium](#)

LCA for decision support in business and government for Sustainable Consumption and Production  
22 - 23 January 2009 Paris, France

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### [5th Waste Management Finance Forum](#)

Now in its fifth year, the Waste Management Finance Forum will bring together local authorities with waste management companies and financiers, to address the financial challenges facing UK waste management over the next 12-18 months. The Waste Management Finance Forum is supported by Defra and approved by the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management.  
22 - 23 January 2009 Carlton Tower, London, United Kingdom

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### [The Southeast Recycling Conference & Trade Show](#)

The 22nd Annual Southeast Recycling Conference & Trade Show (SERC) will be conducted at the Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa, in Destin, Florida on March 1-

4, 2009, trade show on March 1-3. Each year the Southeast Recycling Conference & Trade Show (SERC) provides the premier forum for informing the public and private sectors of the economic and environmental significance of recycling and waste reduction in the Southeast. Attendees will have excellent networking opportunities and a chance to visit the exhibits to preview the newest advances in recycled products and services.

01 - 04 March 2009 Destin, FL,, United States

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#### [10th OEA International Aluminium Recycling Congress](#)

The Organisation of European Aluminium Refiners and Remelters (OEA) is the international association of companies that deal with the recovery and recycling of aluminium. Members represent the final stages of the recycling chain and include producers of casting alloys (refiners) and of wrought alloys (remelters) if they predominantly use secondary raw materials for production

02 - 03 March 2009 Berlin, Germany

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#### [WETEX 2009](#)

International exhibition & conference on water, energy technology and environment

10 - 12 March 2009 Dubai, United Arab Emirates

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#### [IARC 2009](#)

9th International automobile Recycling Congress

11 - 13 March 2009 Munich, Germany

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#### [The 24th International Conference on Solid Waste Technology and Management](#)

24th International Conference on Solid Waste Technology and Management

15 - 18 March 2009 Philadelphia, PA, United States

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#### [Middle East Waste Summit 2009](#)

Middle East Waste Summit is region's premier exhibition and forum dedicated to delivering waste management and recycling solutions to the Middle East. The event will attract waste management professionals representing government / municipalities, industry projects, academia, private organisations and waste generators from all industries.

17 - 19 March 2009 Dubai, United Arab Emirates

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#### [Metalriciclo](#)

International exhibition on technologies for the recovery & recycling of ferrous and non-ferrous metals, environmental quality & energy efficiency

02 - 04 April 2009 Montichiari, Italy

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### [6-th International Conference: Cooperation for Waste Issues](#)

Participation in the Conference is beneficial to companies, which intend to promote their waste management technologies, equipments and services in Ukraine, Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and other CIS (Commonwealth of Independent States) countries, or interested in know-how of CIS specialists.

08 - 09 April 2009 Kharkiv, Ukraine

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### [IdentiPlast 2009](#)

IdentiPlast 2009: Identifying holistic approaches for sustainable plastics waste management Do you think you know the way to sustainable waste management? Do you have a solution to reconcile stringent European regulations, profitable business and environmental requirements? Then do not miss IdentiPlast 2009, your opportunity to share your know-how and best practices with your stakeholders.

20 - 21 April 2009 Brussels, Belgium

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### [ISRI Convention and Expo 2009](#)

Annual Convention & Scrap Recycling Industry Exposition

26 - 30 April 2009 Las Vegas, United States

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### [BioCycle International Conference 2009 – Celebrating BioCycle's 50th Anniversary](#)

BioCycle invites you to submit an abstract on topics related to Composting, Compost Utilization, Waste Diversion and Renewable Energy From Organics Recycling for the BioCycle International Conference 2009. Conference sessions are April 28-29.

27 - 30 April 2009 San Diego, California, United States

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### [The 10th China EPTEE Show for Water, Air, Waste, Energy and Recycling](#)

The China EPTEE Show is organized by the Chinese Society for Environmental Sciences and Shanghai ZM International Exhibition Co. Ltd. It has been held annually in Shanghai since 1999. The exhibition has become the most highly attended and most influential show in China

28 - 30 April 2009 Shanghai, China, People's Rep.

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### [\*\*A mechanical instrument to recovery the glass in a washing machine\*\*](#)

An Italian University has developed and patented a mechanical instrument to collect glass from the porthole of discarded washing machines. The tool completely collects all

the glass of a porthole in less than ten seconds, without taking it apart, thus allowing complete glass recycling. It is safe when used, and also the rest of recycling process is safer. The department is looking for SMEs interested in industrialising and producing the instrument.

(Ref: 08 IT 55W4 27F7)

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 **[Extremely low cost industrial wastewater treatment combining chemical free micro flotation and electro-coagulation](#)**

An Israeli SME developed a wastewater treatment technique using a unique combination of micro-flotation and electro-coagulation technology enabling removal of most fats, COD (Chemical Oxygen Demand) and other contaminants while saving costs associated with use of chemicals. Site installations show significantly better purification results as compared to conventional solutions. Return on investment may be in 12 months.

Partners are sought for commercial agreements and testing new applications.

(Ref: 08 IL 80EP 27F4)

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 **[Robust and Lightweight Enclosure Material Sought For Self-Service Devices Used in Banking and Financial Services](#)**

A global technology company based in Scotland is seeking a new lightweight material to make enclosures for banking self-service devices smaller, lighter to transport and easier to manufacture. The material must also be robust and maintain a high tensile strength (e.g. 50000 psi) and a surface hardness associated with steel. Materials should ideally be ready to test or in the course of development. The company seeks technical cooperation or a license or joint venture agreement.

(Ref: 08 GB 46P4 0JFU)

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 **[Sludge Reduction Process in Wastewater Treatment](#)**

A French company specialised in urban water treatment has developed a patented process designed to reduce wastewater sludge in water treatment plants. The company is looking for technical cooperation and potential commercial agreements including technical assistance. (Ref: 08 FR 38m9 27HM)

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 **[Compact Membrane Bioreactor for Wastewater Treatment](#)**

A French company specialised in urban water treatment has developed a compact membrane bioreactor for wastewater treatment which delivers a high quality water for the cost of a standardized product. The company is looking for technical cooperations and potential commercial agreements including technical assistance.

(Ref: 08 FR 38m9 27HF)

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### [Liquid and solid waste valorisation through dry gases cleaning](#)

A Spanish company has deep knowledge in plants for the valorisation of liquid and solid waste, using the thermal energy from its incineration (hospital waste, animals, meat meals, industrial liquid waste). The company is able to manufacture, install and provide after sales service of such equipment customised to specific needs. The company offers licence and commercial agreements with technical assistance to partners for its commercialisation, manufacturing, installation and maintenance.

(Ref: 08 ES 29G6 0J7P)

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### [Protocol for evaluating river restoration projects \(APR\)](#)

A Catalan research institute has developed a protocol for evaluating river restoration projects (APR). The protocol is designed to evaluate project's contents and as it is a step by step procedure, it can be used to improve the design of projects. The researchers are looking for a licensing agreement.

(Ref: 08 ES 25E2 0JEM)

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### [Foundry Sand Valorisation for Use in the Construction Sector](#)

A Catalan Technological Centre has deep expertise and know-how on how to manage the valorisation of the by-products produced in the foundry industry, which have become a growing environmental issue in recent times and its control is far from being easy. The centre is offering an Environmental Ecology solution, turning a problem for one industry into a solution for another. The methodology can be transferred through a joint project with foundries and/or consulting companies. (Ref: 08 ES 25E2 0JEL)

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### [Technology for conversion of PET flakes, LDPE and HDPE materials to fuels or raw materials](#)

A Czech SME company involved in waste processing is looking for partner with know how of conversion of PET (Polyethylene terephthalate), LDPE (Low-density polyethylene) and HDPE (High-density polyethylene) materials to fuels or raw materials.

(Ref: 08 CZ 0744 27IU)

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### [Horizontal thin film evaporator for high quality purification of liquids at low costs](#)

An Austrian company has developed a revolutionary technology to purify liquids in a wide range of applications. Its horizontal thin film evaporator is suitable for process and drinking water production, sewage conditioning, concentration and distillation of liquids and recycling of raw materials from waste water. Advantages are lower investment and maintenance costs, lower energy consumption and a significantly better liquid quality. The company is looking for licensees or strategic partners.

(Ref: 08 AT 0105 271F)

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