Circular economy leading Fair transition to a carbon-neutral future

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How do we guarantee a fair and sustainable future for everyone if the only thing we know for sure is that everything will change?

The Next Era of Wellbeing





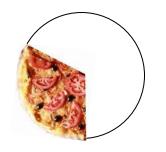
On average, materials in Europe are used only once.



Cars are standing still 92-98% of the time.

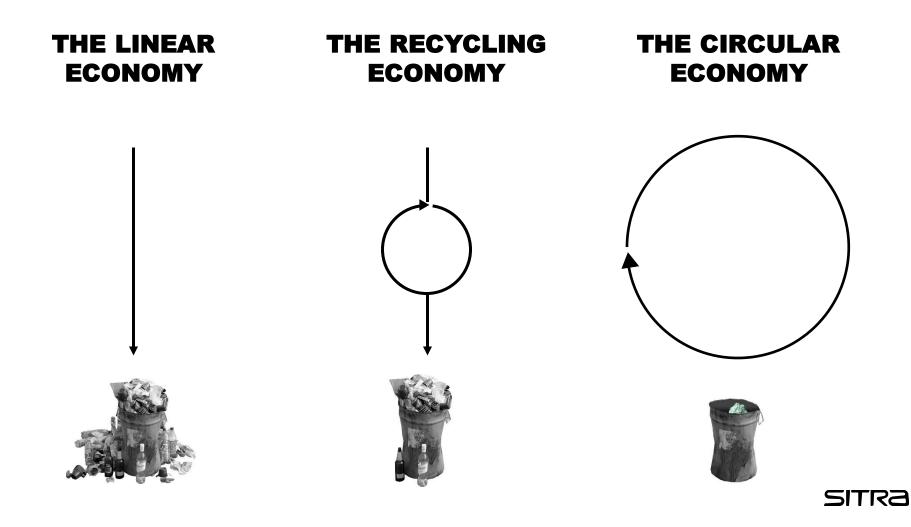


Offices are empty 60% of the time.



One third of food ends up in the trash bin. Around 80% of the nitrogen and between 25 and 75% of the phosphorus in food is wasted.





Three CE strategies make better use of materials to reduce CO₂ emissions

MATERIAL RECIRCULATION OPPORTUNITIES

• More high-value recycling & less primary material production

PRODUCT MATERIALS EFFICIENCY

• Less material input needed for improved production process

NEW BUSINESS MODELS:

- Change in ownership
- Fewer products required to achieve the same benefits of service and sharing solutions
- Longer lifetime of products



Circularity can reduce heavy industry's CO2 emissions by 56 % by 2050 in the EU.





The goal is to **scale up solutions for a fair and** inclusive **circular economy** to address the global sustainability crisis.



African Circular Economy Support program

- Supporting to mainstream Circular Economy solutions in African countries
- Collaboration with AfDB, MFA and Sitra
- National strategies, CE models through pilot programs

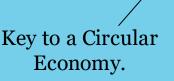
Reducing the **ecological** footprint

Reducing **poverty** & mproving **welfare**

Increasing jobs and employment

Leap-frogging linearity





You have the right to own nothing.

Thank You!

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