



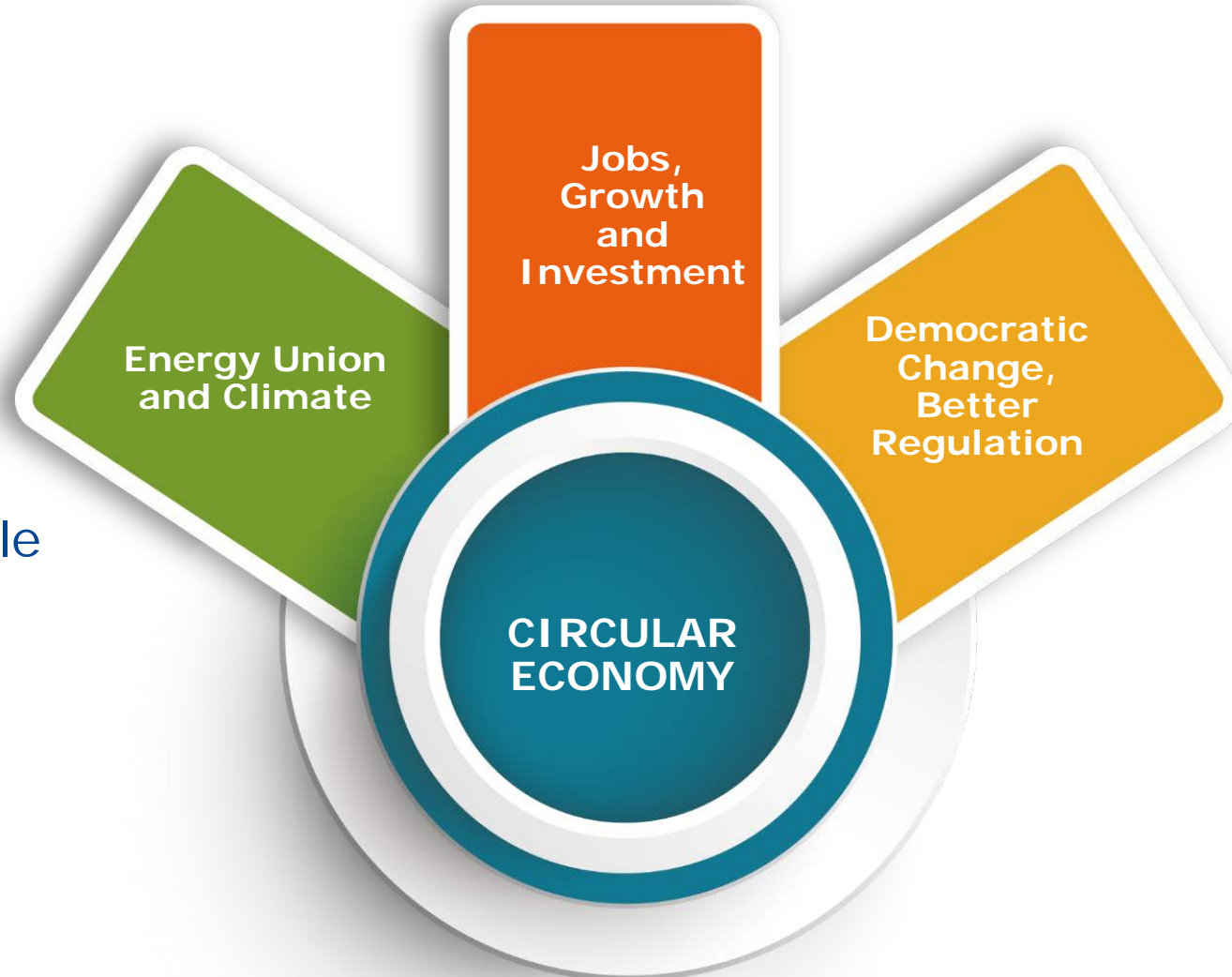
European
Commission

Circular Economy

Closing the loop –
An EU Action Plan for
the Circular Economy

Circular Economy: a priority

Protecting the environment and boosting competitiveness go hand-in-hand: both are about building a sustainable future.



International dimension

**EU's
international
commitments**

2030 Sustainable Agenda

Paris Agreement to combat climate
change

G7 Alliance for Resource Efficiency

Resource efficiency

- 7th Environment Action Programme
- Europe 2020 Strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth
 - **Resource Efficiency Flagship Initiative**
 - **Roadmap to a resource efficient Europe**
 - **Europe 2020 mid-term review**
 - **European Semester**
 - **Progress report on the roadmap RE**



raw materials:
metals,
minerals-fuels-
biomass



ecosystems–biodiversity
– water –land and soils
– air – marine resources

Maintaining the **value** of products, materials and resources in the economy for as long as possible

Minimising **waste generation**

Boosting our **competitiveness** with new business opportunities and innovative products and services

Bringing economic, social and environmental **gains**

Transition
towards a
Circular
Economy

State of Play



Action Plan
Communication



List of Follow-up
Initiatives (Annex)



4 Legislative
proposals on waste

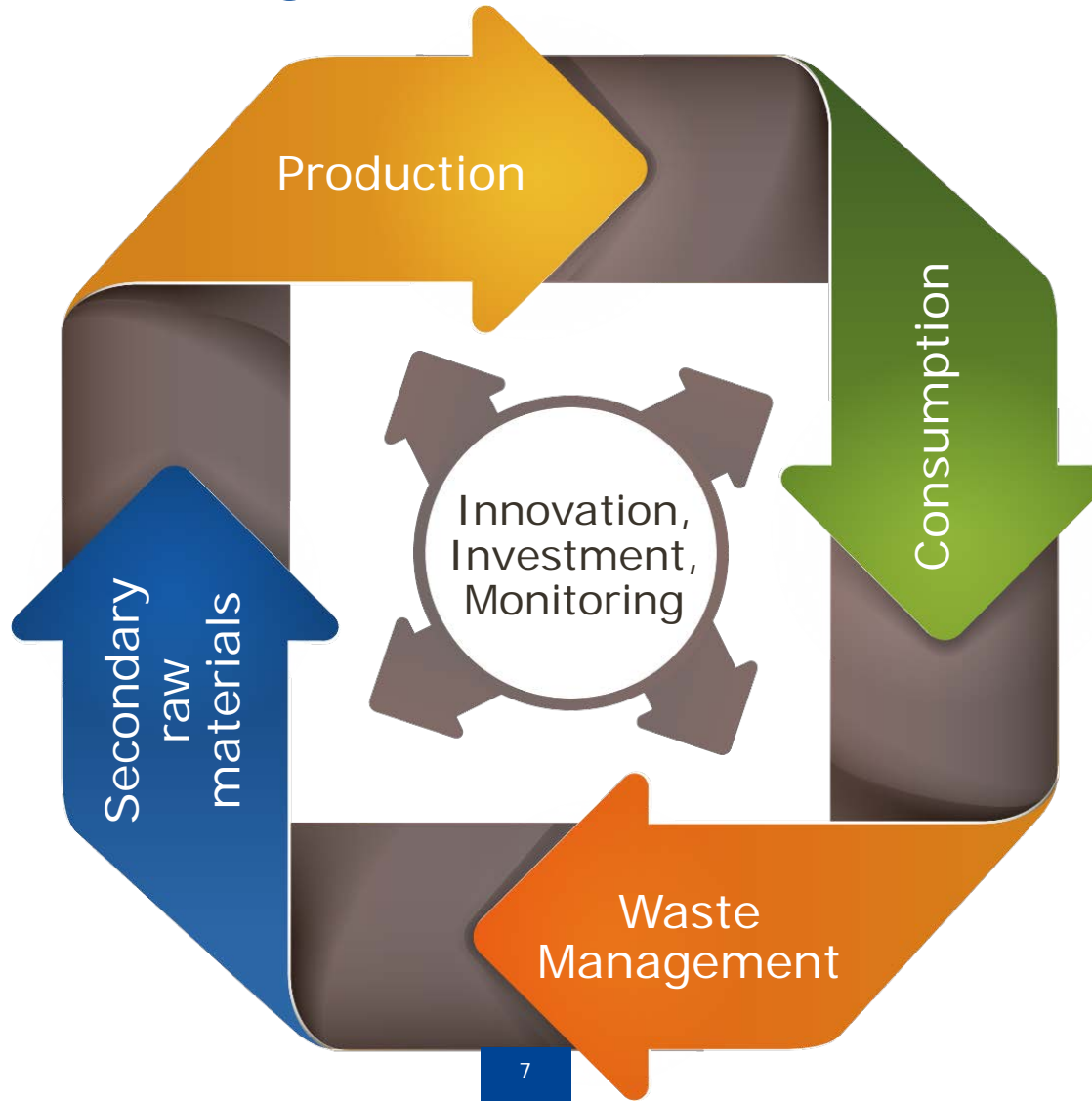


1/3 of the actions
are being
implemented

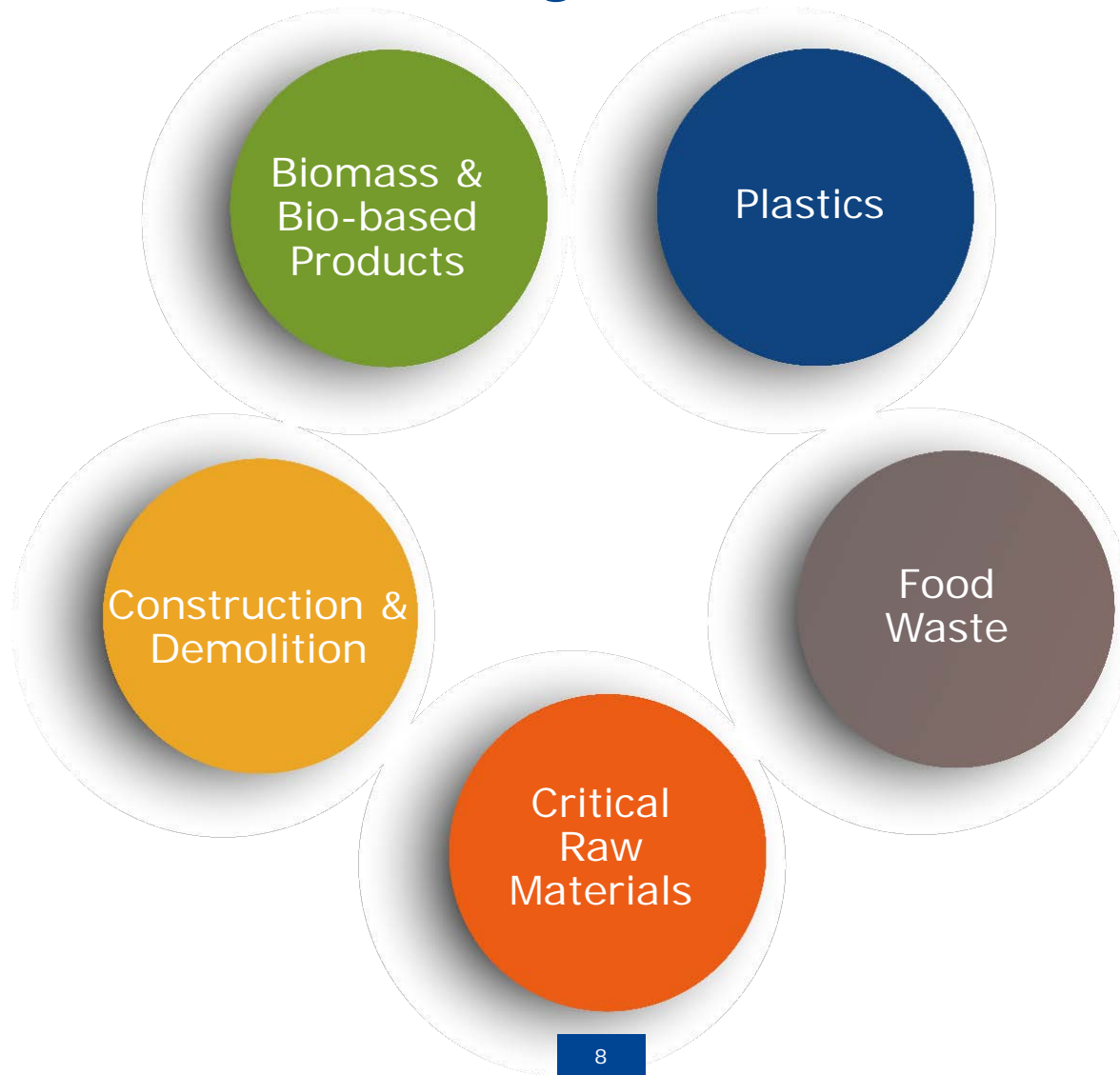


Under debate at the
Council and at the
European Parliament

Key action areas



Priority sectors



**What
has
been
done so
far?**

Legislative proposals on waste

Tackling **false green claims**

Green Public Procurement

Recycling **Protocol for Construction and Demolition Waste**

Legislative Proposal on **fertilizers**

Best practices of **water reuse**

"Innovation Deals" and **H2020 call**

Stakeholders platform **on food waste**

Ongoing

Eco-design

Communication '**Waste to Energy**'

REFIT of **EU Ecolabel** and of **EMAS**.

Preparation for next steps Pilots Environmental Technology Verification (**ETV**) and Product Environmental Footprint (**PEF**)

Green Financing Platform with the **EIB** and **national banks**

Assessment of the contribution of Circular Economy to the **Bio-economy Strategy**

2017 **Plastics Strategy**

Pre-demolition assessment guidelines for the construction sector

Development of **indicators for the assessment** of the environmental performance of buildings

Interface chemicals, products and waste legislation

Monitoring and indicator framework

Minimum requirements for reused water

**Work that
will be
done over
the
duration**

Quality standards for secondary raw materials
market

New/revised **BREFs for industrial sectors**

Use of **Cohesion funds** for Circular Economy

Implementation-At national level

National

France- **"Loi de Transition Énergétique pour la Croissance Verte"**

Germany- **German Resource Efficiency Programme (ProgRes II)**

The Netherlands- **A circular economy in the Netherlands by 2050**

Finland- **Finland's National Circular Economy Roadmap**

At local and regional level

Regional

Brussels Region-Programme Régional en
Economie Circulaire

Scotland-Making Things Last - A Circular
Economy Strategy for Scotland

Local

Amsterdam- Report "Circular Amsterdam"

Paris-White Paper on the Circular Economy of
the Greater Paris

Stakeholders' engagement

Exchange of best practices and knowledge

European Innovation Partnerships (Raw materials-water)

Food waste platform

SME Resource Excellence Centre

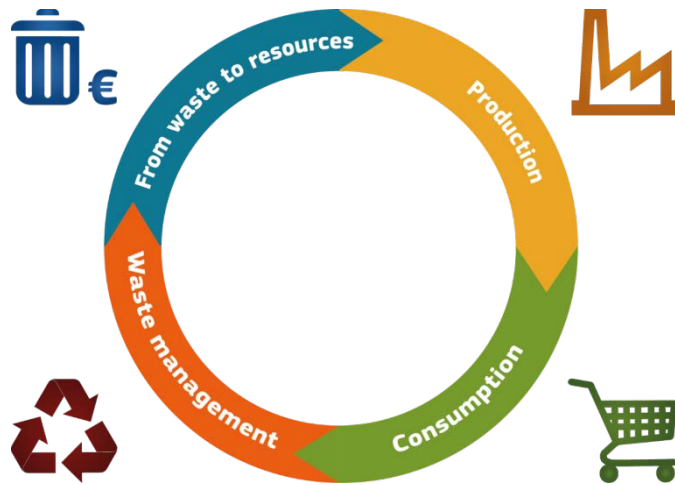
Role of private institutions and NGOs

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Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP)

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