CIRCULAR TO ALL GTA MEMBERS 15/24

Re: Online Consultation Session on the EU Commission proposal for a targeted revision of the Waste Framework Directive, with a focus on food waste 1st April, 2024

Dear GTA Member,

Last week the Environment & Resources Authority held an Online Consultation Session on the EU Commission proposal for a targeted revision of the Waste Framework Directive, with a focus on food waste. In this regard we are attaching herewith, the presentation that was delivered during the stakeholders meeting.

To this end ERA would like your feedback on the following questions as applicable to your economic activity:

For Processing and Manufacturers:

- What type of food waste do you generate in your economic activity?
- Do you think the 10% reduction target in food waste generation for the processing and manufacturing stage is feasible?
- Can you, as a manufacturer, reduce the food waste generation at your facility by 10%?
- The above reduction targets will include both edible food waste and non-edible (e.g. bones and peels) food waste, are you in agreement with this approach?
- What food waste reduction measures can be adopted at food processing stage in order to achieve this target?

For Retail, Distribution of food, Restaurants, Food Services, and Public Citizens:

- Do you find it possible to reduce your food waste generation by 30% in your economic activity/ households?
- The reduction target of 30% will include both edible food waste and non-edible (e.g. bones and peels) food waste, are you in agreement with this approach?
- Are any food waste reduction measures applied in your economic activity? Please provide examples of such measures.

You are kindly requested to send your feedback until **9**th **April 2024** on **era.policy@era.org.mt**. More information on the consultation session is also available on ERA's website at the following <u>link</u> (with the associated information and documents).

Thanks and best regards

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