THE WEEE FORUM
AT A GLANCE

Founded in 2002 by six e-waste producer responsibility organisations (PROs), the WEEE Forum a.i.s.b.l. today speaks for more than thirty not-for-profit PROs in Europe and Australasia. The PROs have, for the past 15-20 years, been at the forefront of turning the extended producer responsibility principle into a workable and effective policy approach in Europe and across the world. On behalf of 31,000 brand owners and producers of electrical appliances, and through contracts with logistics and recycling operators, they have, since their start-up, collected, de-polluted, recycled, and recovered to the highest treatment standards more than 21 million tonnes of waste electrical and electronic equipment. In doing so, they have worked towards the development of a European economy that is more resource efficient and sustainable.

OUR MISSION

The WEEE Forum is a globally unique platform for facilitating benchmarking and knowledge exchange. We help not-for-profit producer responsibility organisations (PROs) in their pursuit to continuously improve their WEEE management strategies and techniques.

A beacon of excellence, our ambition is to spread globally what we’ve already achieved in Europe. Products are typically manufactured centrally, but they always arise locally as WEEE and therefore must be taken back and managed locally. We provide take-back models that can readily be picked up.

A catalyst for change, we are committed to advancing the cause of a circular economy and to help Europe remain a pioneer and a source of inspiration for the rest of the world.

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WHY JOIN THE WEEE FORUM?

WEEE competence centre
- Meet the experts
- Learn from your peers
- Tap into our knowledge base
- Monitor recycling with WF-RepTool, our bespoke reporting tool

Raising the bar
- Achieve mandatory recovery and collection rates
- Implement continuous improvement
- Become a front runner
- Help make local economies more resource efficient and circular
- Be part of a reputable hub for WEEE value chain projects

Have your voice heard
- Meet EU stakeholders
- Argue your case with Brussels policymakers

Level the playing field
- Engage in standardisation through CENELEC TC111X
- Support roll-out of WEEELABEX and EN 50625

WE EE FORUM IN NUMBERS

- World’s #1 go-to competence centre for e-waste management matters
- Represents 31,000 producers of electrical and electronic appliances
- 2.2 million tonnes of WEEE collected in 2018, almost two-thirds of all officially reported WEEE in Europe
- 21.1 million tonnes of WEEE collected since foundation
- Operate over 114,000 WEEE collection points
- 100% of founding members remain with us
- Two-thirds of our members are market leaders in their countries
- Our members have a combined 477 years of experience in WEEE management

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- 36 WEEE producer responsibility organisations from 27 countries worldwide.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Every year, we schedule
- 3 sessions of the General Assembly
- 2 sessions of the Operations Committee
- 1 Communication Day
- 1 International E-Waste Day
- 1 WF-RepTool Experience Day
- Countless web conferences and online task forces

We connect with stakeholders through:
- The Advisory Committee, composed of producer associations
- Joint position papers
- European workshops

THE PLATFORM

Benchmarking and analysis of WEEE performance

CO₂, WG

What is CO₂ impact of WEEE systems?

What are the impacts of WEEELABEX implementation? Opportunities? Threats?

Batteries in WEEE? VFC vs VHC? Are WEEELABEX limits up to date?

Transparent and harmonised calculation of WEEE treatment recovery

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