

SPEAKERS PROFILES



Thomas Anderer

graduated in constructing engineering from the Technical University of Graz. He started in 1990 in the civil engineering team of FHHC with hydrological- and hydraulic projects, landfill clearing and revitalisation. Since 1994, he has been the manager and CEO of the Landesabfallverband (the Upper Austrian Waste Management Association), coordinating 18 member associations in the provinces. He has been the project initiator and coordinating management of the ReVital network since 2009 and also lectures in trainings for waste management consultants.



Péter Chrabák

is an environmental engineer. His specialities are the development of municipal solid waste management systems, spatial informatics, and research of industrial waste treatment systems.



Ute Dechantsreiter

graduated with a degree in architecture. She is running her own consulting office for the ecological renovation of old buildings. Together with partners she established the first market for old construction material in Bremen. She is the founder of the Bundesverband bauteilnetz-Deutschland e.V., a nationwide association to promote reuse of construction elements and the sustainable design of buildings which has been honored multiple times as an official UNESCO "Decade Project for Sustainability". Since 1992, she is a guest lecturer at several universities in Germany. Her interest stems from a desire to save resources and "gray energy" as well as to integrate sustainable thinking along the whole life cycle of construction.



Ernő Garamvölgyi

is a mechanical engineer. His specialities in the waste management field are in the logistics, treatment options, development of informatics background system and life-cycle assessment (LCA).



Wolfgang Holzer

holds a graduate engineering degree in Food Science & Biotechnology from the University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Science in Vienna. Since 1993, he has been an officer in the Waste Management Department of the Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management in Vienna. His expertise includes waste prevention and reduction measures, waste management plans and reports, packaging waste, biowaste, WEEE, end-of-life-vehicles, classification of packaging, permission and inspection of collection and recycling systems, national legislation and EU Directives in the field of waste management especially for packaging, WEEE and end-of-life-vehicles, waste databases, statistics and analysis of waste data, and company inspections (esp. packaging waste, WEEE and end-of-life-vehicles).



Lukáš Janda

is a waste management specialist at the Prague City Hall. In the Waste Management Department he deals with municipal waste in the Prague capital which has around 1 250 000 inhabitants. His specialization is bulky waste, waste separation and maps application.



Helena Kalaninová

studied philosophy and social sciences at Charles University. Presently she works as a freelancer on few projects, including Zdrojovna – the first Czech re-use center. She takes care of public relations, marketing and also creates the design of some Zdrojovna products.



Christian Leonhartsberger

is working as a project manager at Waste Management Mid-Tyrol Ltd. (Abfallwirtschaft Tirol Mitte GmbH) since 2011. There he is managing the EU-project CERREC, where ATM is in the role of the Lead Partner. During CERREC, he was also a driving force in establishing a regional re-use network called the Re-use Network Tyrol. His background is as an ecologist and has been working for several years as a scientist in the field of sustainable systems and energy production.



Andreas Lieberum

graduated in ecology with additional skills in vocational training methods, environmental economics and environmental law. He is the founder of the Ecolo Agency for Ecology and Communication and since 1994 as the Managing Director. He was the coordinator of one of the 20 climate adaptation projects in the Klimazwei programme (“Klimawandel unterweser”), and from April 2009 to May 2014 he was the manager of the research project “Northwest 2050- Prospects for Climate-Adapted Innovation Processes in the Metropolitan Region Bremen-Oldenburg in North Western Germany”. His company develops and coordinates projects focusing on environmentally friendly mobility, energy and resource efficiency, climate change and sustainability.



Sandra Meier

is working as a project manager in the social enterprise BAN situated in Graz, Austria. Her main focus lies in the development of new business and project ideas in the field of waste prevention and re-use. One of her main tasks is the development of further re-use activities in the City of Graz and the expansion of the pilot action “Re-Use Box”.



Matthias Neitsch

studied history and philosophy/psychology/pedagogy in Vienna and worked in the ecological movement of the 80's as a municipal waste consultant with a focus on waste prevention and separation since 1990. Since then he has been employed by several entities including a regional association of municipalities, a private waste management company, a municipality, NGOs and social enterprises. Presently his main activity is to support and coordinate the implementation of regional re-use & repair networks in Austria. Currently he is the Managing Director of both RepaNet (an umbrella organisation of social enterprises and re-use- and repair-networks) and VABÖ (Austrian Federation of Municipal Waste Consultants).



Markus Meissner

has a focus on the environmental impact of products, systems and organisations. He encourages participatory processes that involve his clients (administrative bodies, companies and NGOs) because it is one key factors to design appropriate measures. Since 2005, he has supported regional processes to establish re-use-networks between socio economic enterprises and public waste management authorities in several states in Austria and Germany.



Marcella Poncini

graduated in Land and Urban Planning from the Politecnico di Torino. After that, she has been collaborating with several public authorities (Regione Piemonte, Provincia di Torino, other Municipalities in the regional territory) about environmental and territorial issues and working on complex strategic programmes. Also, she's cooperating with local development agencies involved in European Programmes, as well as leading training activities addressed to primary and secondary school students about sustainability and energy saving. Recently she has worked for the Municipality of Asti as an external expert for the CircUse (Central Europe) project. Currently, she is working with LAMORO on local development.



Emilio Urbinati

is a professional project manager and social scientist. He has experience in the field of environmental studies, sustainable development topics, CSOs policies. He conducted a three year long in-depth field research about the dynamics of international cooperation in a transition context in the Balkan region.



Tim Wagendorp

holds a Master in Bioscience Engineering and is working as a KOMOSIE staff member since 2007. KOMOSIE represents a network of Flemish social economy enterprises with an environmental focus. Their activities are reuse (31 organizations), energy saving (33 organizations) and food waste. Within the federation, Tim is the expert on the collection and repair of WEEE. He also follows up the (environmental) legislation regarding reuse activities and coordinates the reporting and analysis of the overall sector results.