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EREK Newsletter, issue #05

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Welcome

Dear EREK community,

Welcome to this fifth issue of the EREK newsletters, informing you of the latest developments in best resource efficient and circular practices. We are back in September and things are moving fast again.

As EREK is now going at cruising speed, we take the time to recap what the project is about and how you can benefit from it. Are you an SME willing to improve its resource efficiency, or a business intermediary looking to join a vibrant community? Search no more: you will find all the materials you may need on our [website](#). Have you had a look already? Take our [3-minute survey](#) and share your feedback with us!

You can also join our community, either by becoming a member of the [EREK network](#) or by setting up a [partnership](#) with EREK. Over the last month, we were happy to welcome our new members, INCEN, the Czech Institute of Circular Economy, and CEED, the Bulgarian Center for Entrepreneurship and Executive Development. We are also happy to start working with organisations such as the Enterprise Europe Network and Manufacture 2030 to help promote resource efficiency in companies!

Do you want to know more? [Register](#) for our upcoming workshop, on [13 September in Sofia](#). Experts will discuss resource efficiency in the Tourism sector.

THIS MONTH'S DATABASE FEATURE

Optimising heat recovery in fish-drying process saves money

What did they achieve?

- Energy audit reveals energy wastage in key fish-drying process
- Focusing on improvements along two workstations recovers € 67 700 per year in lost heat

Payback time is less than a year!

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You can also meet us in the coming months:

- [At the EREK Austria workshop in Vienna \(Austria\) on 22 October](#)
- [At the 4th European Resource Forum in Berlin \(Germany\) on 27-28 October](#)
- [At the 20th Anniversary of our Network Member EFA NRW in Essen \(Germany\) on 17 September](#)

Sincerely yours,

The EREK team

NEWS



Making sense of resource efficiency: the EREK services

It is not always easy to green your business! Especially if at the same time you don't want to raise your costs, and you're already busy taking care of all the other things you have to pay attention to. For small and medium-sized enterprises willing to change their process or upgrade their products and services, the help of their local support organisation is often crucial. But who is supporting the support organisations? [Read more...](#)



EREK: Filling the gap in resource efficiency support

At the beginning of EREK, a gap analysis was conducted to provide a picture of resource efficiency related policy measures including support tools (such as guidelines, information, promotion or technical assistance) and financial mechanisms available in European countries and regions. The mapping, albeit not exhaustive, helped partners identify who was leading the field and where help was most needed. [Read more](#)

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EVENTS

[EREK Bulgaria workshop - Resource efficiency in the tourism sector](#)

Date: 13/09/2018



[EREK Austria workshop - Let's help SMEs to go circular](#)

Date: 22/10/2018



[20th Anniversary of EFA NRW](#)

Date: 17/09/2018

[International Congress on Resource Efficiency and Circular Economy](#)

Date: 17/10/2018 - 18/10/2018

[World Circular Economy Forum 2018](#)

Date: 22/10/2018 - 24/10/2018

[Circular Economy Hotspot Scotland](#)

Date: 30/10/2018 - 01/11/2018

[4th European Resources Forum](#)

Date: 27/11/2018 - 28/11/2018



Collaborate with EREK!

The European Resource Efficiency Knowledge Centre (EREK) gathers all actors involved in supporting small and medium-sized businesses in their journey toward resource efficiency. While business support organisations can join the EREK network, other platforms, projects, and organisations collaborate with EREK in its activities. These partnerships are established with the objective of generating benefits across sectors and services, and to amplify their impact combining different strands of expertise.

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