

## GLOBE EU event of September 26, 2023 Securing the EU's Resource Efficiency – A Systemic Approach

## **Speakers:**



**Stientje van Veldhoven** is the Vice President and Regional Director for Europe and is based in the Europe Regional Office in The Hague. Stientje has been a prominent politician in the Netherlands, most recently serving as a Member of Cabinet responsible for Public Transport and Environment and as Minister for the Environment and Housing. She has also been a Member of Parliament, an international diplomat, representing the Dutch government in the European Union in Brussels and has been working with the European Commission DG research and development. Stientje has had longstanding involvement in environmental issues, especially related

to climate change, energy and the circular economy.



Peter Handley currently heads the team on energy-intensive industries, raw materials and hydrogen at the European Commission's Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs. Previously, head of policy coordination for Energy Union, 2030 climate and energy package, low emission mobility strategy and the circular economy at the Secretariat General. Past EU trade negotiator (steel, WTO market access and industrial tariffs). Former UK government official, coordinated UK preparations for 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED). Graduated in French and Politics from the

University of Bristol. Studied at France's Ecole Nationale d'Administration (ENA).



Wouter Ghyoot is an accomplished professional serving as the Vice-President of Government Affairs at Umicore. With a strong background in Environmental Engineering, he holds a PhD in the field, which has paved the way for his success in contributing to Umicore's growth and development. Over the years, Wouter has showcased his versatility and expertise by holding pivotal positions within the company, including regulatory affairs, commercial, R&D, and sustainability. Starting from 2022, he is leading Umicore's Government Affairs department globally, utilizing his exceptional skills to navigate complex governmental landscapes and ensure

Umicore's objectives are met effectively.



Aline Maigret is Head of Policy at Zero Waste Europe where she coordinates and leads the policy effort ensuring strategic coherence and vision for the EU and global policy work within the organisation. Aline works on topics ranging from resources and waste reduction, product design to waste disposal. While Zero Waste Europe policy efforts mostly focuses on EU files, Aline also follows global processes such as the Global Plastics Treaty. Aline has a background in environmental management and policy, has experience working for grassroots organisations for example the Right to Repair, and has also several years advocacy experience in EU consumer policies.



Eline Boon is a highly experienced Senior Policy Manager at the Ellen MacArthur Foundation, specializing in EU Policy. With a noteworthy background in both the European Commission and the cabinet of the Belgian Federal Minister for Climate, Sustainable Development, Environment, and the EU Green Deal, she excelled as a circular economy advisor. Eline's expertise and dedication contribute significantly to driving impactful change and promoting a more sustainable future.



Arnold Tukker is the Professor of Industrial Ecology and served until September 2022 for a maximum 8 year term as Scientific director of the Institute of Environmental Sciences (CML, 165 staff) at Leiden University. He retains a small position at the Dutch not for profit research organization TNO. Arnold set up 15 million Euro in EU projects in which the world's most ambitious and detailed global energy/resource/economic input-output database (EXIOBASE) was built. He led a EU Marie Curie Innovative Training Network of 15 PhDs researching the circular economy (Circ€uit). He was appointed as a member of the European Academy of Sciences in 2018, and recognized by the Web of Science group as a highly cited researcher since 2019. His work in the field of sustainable business models is

among the highest cited globally.



**Isabelle Maurizi** brings more than a decade experience in public affairs as an expert in sustainability, environmental and energy related topics. She joined C&A, one of the major European fashion brands, in February 2021 to contribute and shape EU policy as regards eco-design, responsible business and consumer empowerment. Building on the strength of a 180-year history and belief that business plays an important role as a force for good, C&A has renewed its sustainability strategy for 2028. The strategy includes ways to inspire customers to make more sustainable choices, ambitious science-based targets addressing climate change,

and an even greater focus on circularity.