

Database of Good Practice Policies and Initiatives	
Country	Portugal
Level of Outreach	National
Supported by	National Agency
Field of Interest(s)	Circular Economy, Waste Management and Treatment
Organisation	
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Policy/Initiative Data	
Title of Initiative	Waste Management and Treatment
Partnership details	Promotor – APA
Project Duration	ongoing
Total Budget	n/a
Description	<p>Propose, develop and monitor the integrated management of environmental and sustainable development policies, in conjunction with other sectoral policies. Collaboration with public and private entities, with a view to provide a high level of protection, enhancing the environment and providing high quality services to citizens.</p> <p>An Environment Policy must be understood as a set of principles and ideas, of dynamic design and formalization, embodied in a text that guides and frames the definition of objectives and lines of action, coherent and structured, in the domain of the environment.</p> <p>In this context, the Environment Policy must consecrate its own evolution, due to the reflection motivated by the new challenges and problems. It must also strategically reconcile structural and operational problems of relevance to the environment and sustainable development.</p> <p>A national Environment Policy is inseparable from the development model, especially with regard to regional balances. It must be universal, but respecting differences, in order to be applicable to the entire national territory, to most activities, organizations and companies, contributing to the full exercise of environmental citizenship.</p> <p>An Environmental Policy is a benchmark for the fulfillment of the objectives, laws, rules and instruments that emanate from it, establishing the right and the duty of all citizens to participate in its construction, according to the degree of responsibility of each entity or agent.</p> <p>The Environment Policy should also enhance integration with other sectoral policies, promoting and ensuring sustainable development.</p> <p>website - https://apambiente.pt/</p>
Phases (if applicable)	n/a

Project Details

Aim	The aim is to ensure appropriate management that contributes to the preservation of natural resources, both in terms of Prevention, through Recycling and Valorisation, and other specific legal instruments, while simultaneously reflecting the importance of environmental and economic activities.
Target groups	Construction Industry and public
Exchange of Experiences	n/a
Outcomes 1	To maintain a strict control of the waste that goes to the landfill.
Outcomes 2	To ensure the Service provider collects the waste from the site, with the obligation to control the type of waste and measure the quantities and validates the amount and type of waste in the "SILIAMB" Control System.
Outcomes 3	The Environment Policy should also enhance integration with other sectoral policies, promoting and ensuring sustainable development.
Policy/Initiative	
Skill gaps	Important for all construction workers to understand good environmental and sustainable management. More Environment, more Planet, more Life.
Mis-matching of skills	Introducing and using alternative materials for construction will alleviate issues in burying the waste in landfill sites. Many already have skills in construction and those employed, may be directed into alternative construction professions in recycling waste, alleviating soil contamination, etc.
Skills-Shortages	Circular Economy is gaining momentum and will require experts and undersanding in this field.
Training	Some development of professional trainings with a lot of relevance to the issues of treatment and reuse of waste from Construction
Career moves	n/a
Mobility	Very important in the development of a professional life.
Other EQF-Level	n/a
Transfer in Europe	n/a
Entrepreneurship Opportunities	n/a
Other	n/a