# 13th Comieco Report: "Paper and board collection, recycling and recovery in Italy in 2007"

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# Packaging Recovery Organisation Europe PRO EUROPE

"RECYCLING OF PAPER AND BOARD PACKAGING IN EUROPE"

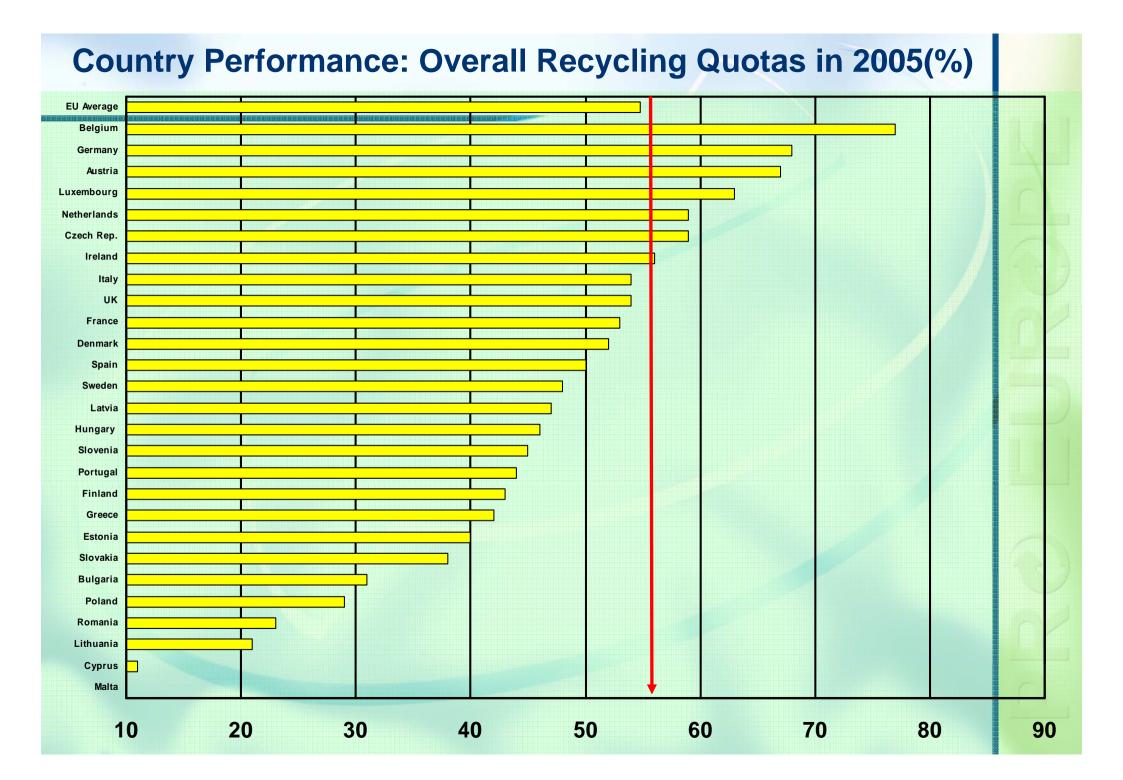
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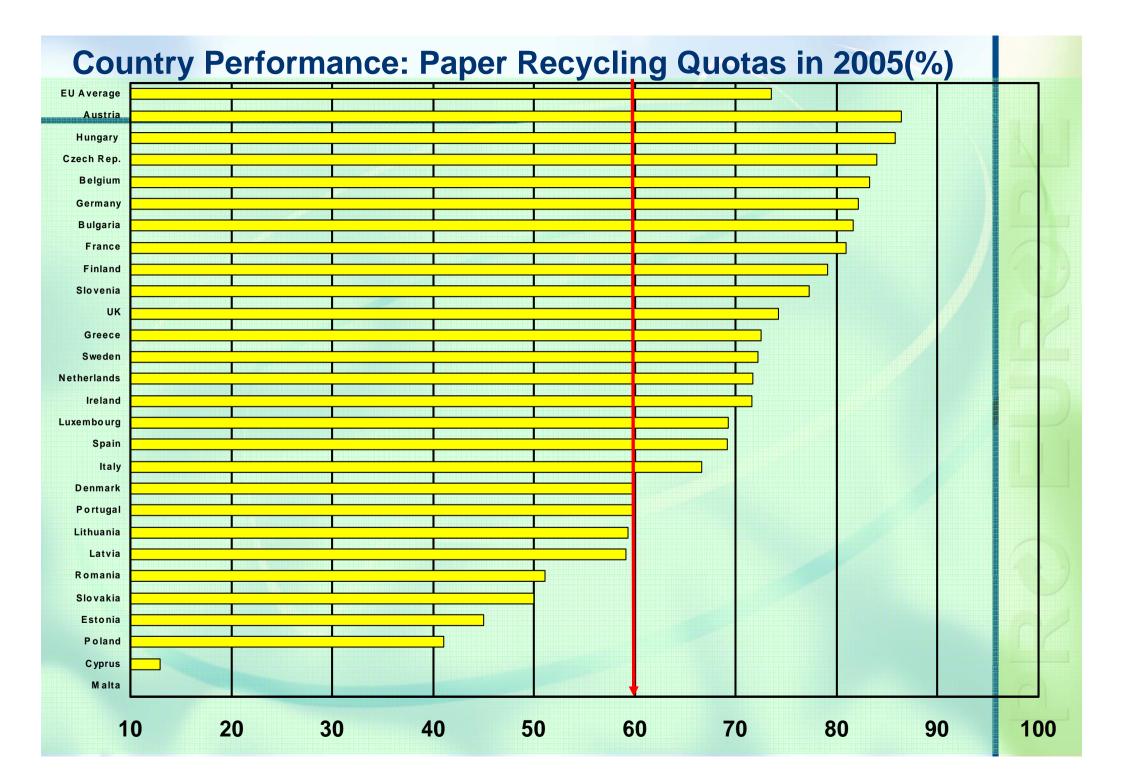
## **Revision of the Packaging Directive 94/62/EG**

|  | Old Directive   | New Directiv<br>(February 2004   |
|--|---|--|
| <b>Deadline for all</b><br>for P, GR, IRE<br>for new members | to 30.06.2001<br>to 30.06.2005<br>2005 - 2009                   | to <b>31.12.2008</b><br>to 31.12.20 <b>11</b><br>to 31.12.20 <b>12</b> |
| Recovery   | Min.: <b>50</b> %<br>Max.: <b>65</b> %                          | Min.: <b>60</b> %<br>Max.: -   |
| Recycling  | Min.: 25 %<br>Max.: 45 %  | Min.: <b>55</b> %<br>Max.: <b>80</b> %                                 |
| Recycling specific   | Materials   |  |
| Glass<br>Paper<br>Metal<br>Plastic<br>Wood                   | Min.: 15 %<br>Min.: 15 %<br>Min.: 15 %<br>Min.: 15 %<br>Min.: - | Min.: 60 %<br>Min.: 60 %<br>Min.: 50 %<br>Min.: 22,5 %<br>Min.: 15 %   |

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31.12.2008 31.12.2011 31.12.20**12 – 2015** 





#### **Implementation of the Packaging Directive**

EPR, but close to market UK (PRN System) 1 without compliance scheme => Taxes Denmark

> 1 with tax and compliance scheme The Netherlands

# 27 EU COUNTRIES + 2 EEA

+ 2 Accession Countries

Croatia ??? Fund versus EPR

#### **26 with Producer Responsibility**

Austria, Belgium, France, Spain, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, Portugal, Sweden, Greece, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Hungary, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta, Estonia, Romania, Bulgaria, Turkey, Norway, Finland, Italy, 1 with Fund Scheme run by industry Iceland

## **A Common Approach for Europe**

#### **Common Principle for 27 European countries**

Economic stakeholders within the packaging chain (manufacturer, packer/filler, distributor, importer) are responsible for packaging waste management

#### National industry self-managed organizations established to:

Organise recovery and recycling activities

Secure the financing

Coordination with the stakeholders (industry, government, local authorities, waste management and recycling companies, consumers...)

#### **Common principle, but several ways of implementation**

#### "Dual model" (Germany, Austria):

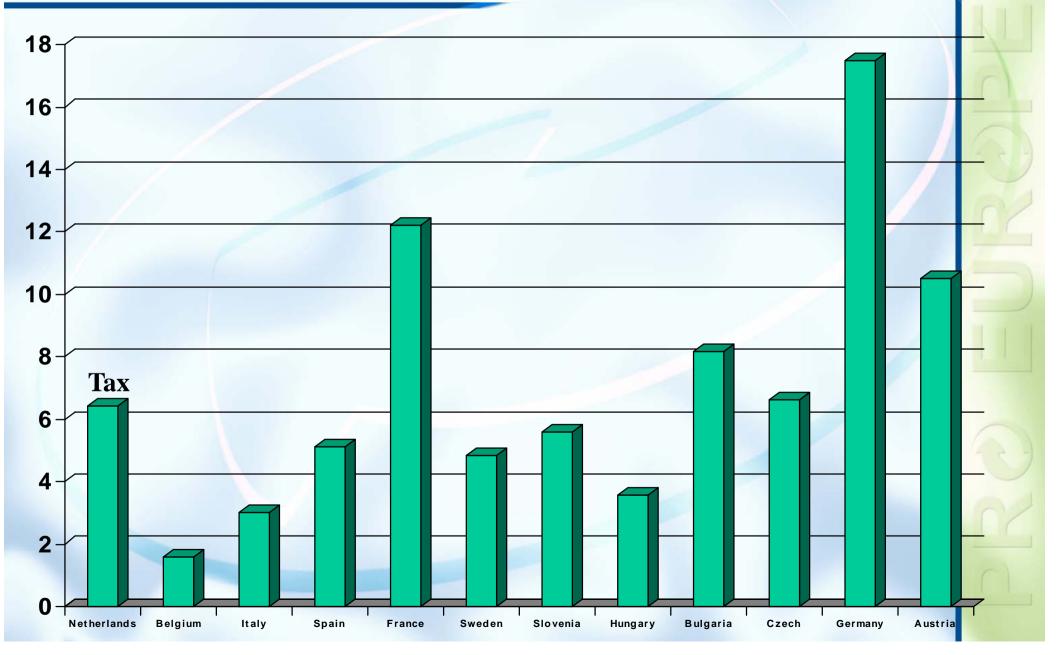
Full responsibility for industry for collection, sorting and recycling; separate collection system besides collection of local authorities, no or limited influence from local authorities

"Shared model" (France, Spain, Italy, Czech Rep.): Shared responsibility between industry and local authorities, common agreements on the way of collection necessary

Tradable Credits Model (UK):

No link between industry and collection on the local level

## Licence Fees / Taxes per kilo paper packaging



#### Licence fee – packaging examples €Cents

Cardboard box with plastic window, volume 2.625,7cm<sup>3</sup> (106,8g paper; 9,28g plastic window)



#### **Cost factors of the different schemes**

- Scope of activities (household up to all packaging)
- share of costs (recycling costs up to total costs)
- recycling quotas (15% minimum quota of the Directive up to 60% for plastics)
- collection system (bring system up to kerbside collection)
- time of implementation (1 year up to 10 years)
- need to cover all households
- possible ways of recovery (energy recovery possible?)
- number of free-riders
- Labour costs



#### **European Commission DG Environment**

#### Environmental benefits of Packaging Directive

- greenhouse gas savings (around 25M tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent)
- resource savings (~10M tonnes of oil equivalent)
- reduced particulates emissions, decreased acidification, less traffic noise, odours, visual disturbance

## **Sustainable Production & Consumption**

# PRO EUROPE Membership 2008



## **PRO EUROPE'S Mission**

# To help its national recovery schemes by:

- Promoting convergence of regulations and administration
- Protecting and promotion of the Green Dot
- Being a Know how provider to members, their clients and authorities
- Running a network of exchanges and experiences
- Supporting secondary raw materials markets
- Offering added value services to members and their clients
- Promoting holistic, stable, ecologically and economically feasible packaging waste management systems

## **Exchange of Know-How**

# Working Groups

- Technical Working Group (lead by Eco-Emballages)
- ✓ Congress & Communication (lead by DSD)
- Prevention (lead by Eco Embes)
- System Development (lead by EKO-KOM)
- Regulatory Affairs Committee (lead by FOST Plus)

# **Workshops**

- Marketing
- Deposit for one way beverage containers
- Biodegradable packaging
- Relation to local authorities
- Best practices in collection, sorting and recycling

### Facts and Figures (2006/2008)

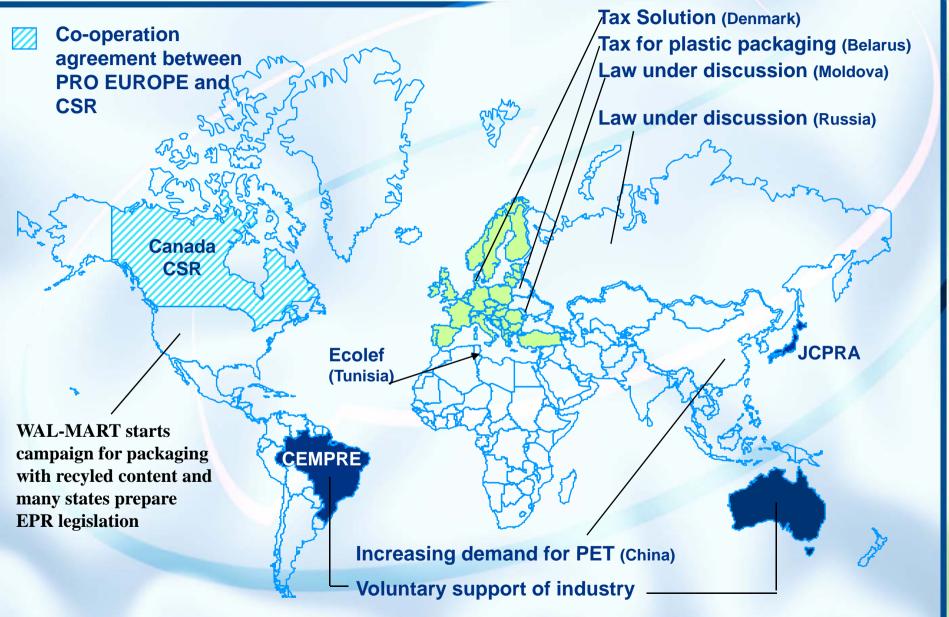
- 31 compliance schemes active in 31 countries in 2008 of which 25 use the Green Dot
- About 136,000 companies are licensees / members of the PRO EUROPE member systems
- More than 460 billion packaging items have been labeled with the Green Dot
- More than 565 million inhabitants live in PRO EUROPE member countries
- More than 300 million inhabitants have access to separate collection of PRO EUROPE member systems
  - More than **22,100,000 tons** of **packaging** have been <u>recovered</u> by PRO EUROPE member systems in 2006

More than **1,750,000 tons** of **plastic** packaging have been <u>recycled</u> by PRO EUROPE member systems in 2006

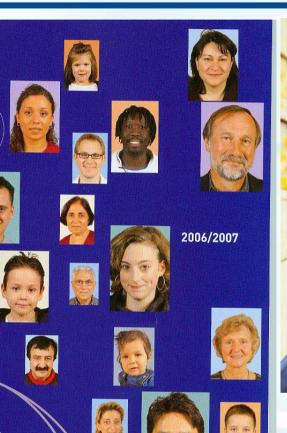
#### What does a PRO EUROPE member Organisation stand for ?

- Founded and run by or on behalf of fillers, packaging producers, importers and retailers
- Independent from government and waste management companies
- Financing of selective collection, sorting, recovery and recycling of packaging waste by industry
- Communicating to consumers to create new behaviors mostly by using the Green Dot
- Internalisation of external costs
- Implementation of Producer Responsibility

## **Worldwide situation**



## **Brochures**



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## How can we help?

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