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FEAD CONTRIBUTION TO THE GREEN PAPER ON MARKET-BASED INSTRUMENTS

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FEAD is the European Federation which represents the European waste management industry. Our members are national waste management associations, which have an approximate 60% share in the household waste market and handle more than 90% of industrial and commercial waste in Europe, with a collective annual turnover of approximately € 50 billion.

We have 19 members from 18 EU Member States and Norway. FEAD represents companies with activities in all forms of waste management. These companies employ over 300 000 people who operate around 3 000 controlled landfills, 1 350 recycling and sorting centres, 1 000 composting sites and 350 incinerators and play an important role in the determination of the best environmental option for waste management problems.

Introduction

FEAD welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Green Paper on market-based instruments for environment and energy related policy purposes, in particular as the paper also deals with the use of market-based instruments in waste management policy.

Better implementation

FEAD regards adequate and consistent enforcement and implementation of European environmental law in Member States to be an urgent priority which in itself is more pressing than developing market-based instruments.

Ambitious and harmonised objectives

That said, FEAD favours setting ambitious, harmonised and justified environmental objectives at the European level, and market-based instruments can help to secure these objectives.

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