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Consultation questions:

- The Report recommends a centralised, operational model for Ireland. Do you agree with this recommendation?

**YES, if you can manage it.....**

- If not, do you favour a:  
a) decentralised / financial DRS; or,  
b) hybrid.
- Are there other models you believe could work in an Irish context?

**I lived in Leipzig where they had a similar model in shops. The bottles/tins returned would give a receipt to use at the till to pay for groceries.**

- What role should waste collectors play in the operation of a DRS?

**I believe the containers should be accessible to all. Not placed out in industrial estates. Remove the need for a car to get to these places.**

- The DRS study proposes a deposit per container of €0.20. Do you think this is appropriate? If not should it be higher or lower or should different deposit rates apply depending on container size?

**Deposits depend on container size and material e.g. plastic / aluminium. There needs to be an incentive for people to recycle more. So having 20c more for a larger bottle or tin can would work.**

- Consumers need to know about a DRS long before it becomes operational – do you have any suggestions as to how best the introduction of a DRS can be communicated to the public?

**Online, newspapers - signs in shops or places where the containers will be placed. Info packs to schools and unis. Not posting out useless leaflets to people- that ship has sailed.**

- What enforcement measures should be considered in parallel with the introduction of a DRS?

**Don't use words such as enforce. It creates a us vs them mentality we have in Ireland. There needs to be pride in this - put that back to the people. It is up to gov't and citizens to change their outlook. Embrace don't chastise.**

- How should cross-border issues be treated to ensure producers are not at a competitive disadvantage relative to producers in Northern Ireland?



**Well in fairness, it's better for them and the environment. The public will buy into companies that offer a 'greener' future. Leave the door open for a north and south partnership in the future re DRS recycling.**