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Hi,

In regards to the DRS, I think it is very important that the public feel encouraged to participate in the scheme, and there should be no adverse effects, other than the polluter pays principle. The product life cycle, from manufacturer/producer/retailer, ends up with a final cost to the consumer, and this price should be safeguarded against exploitation at a later date. Any increased costs for recovering the waste/packaging stream, should be wholly borne by the generators of that stream, and in no way passed on to the consumer. I would therefore encourage a survey, regarding price ranges of current items that will be affected , to have a standard recorded, just in case price rises are attempted during this process, to offset any costs.

On the deposit itself, I think the public should be encouraged to not only recycle, but also reduce. Therefore I would appeal to you to consider a scaled deposit staking plan,rather than a one size fits all approach.

A rough guide would be :

- 330ml = 5c
- 500ml = 5c
- 1l = 10c
- 2l = 15c
- 5l = 20c

By rewarding the consumer to a larger extent, for choosing the greater volume/less packaging option, you would influence their choices, and this would also send a signal to packaging producers, about creating this waste in the first place.

With regards to enforcement, all items are scanned as sold, the tracking data exists to trace end product location, back to source, in cases of pollution/littering..

Apologies for the basicness of this submission, I only found out about the deadline today. If you would like me to expand on any of that thinking, please send me an email and I will explain myself better..

Regards,  
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