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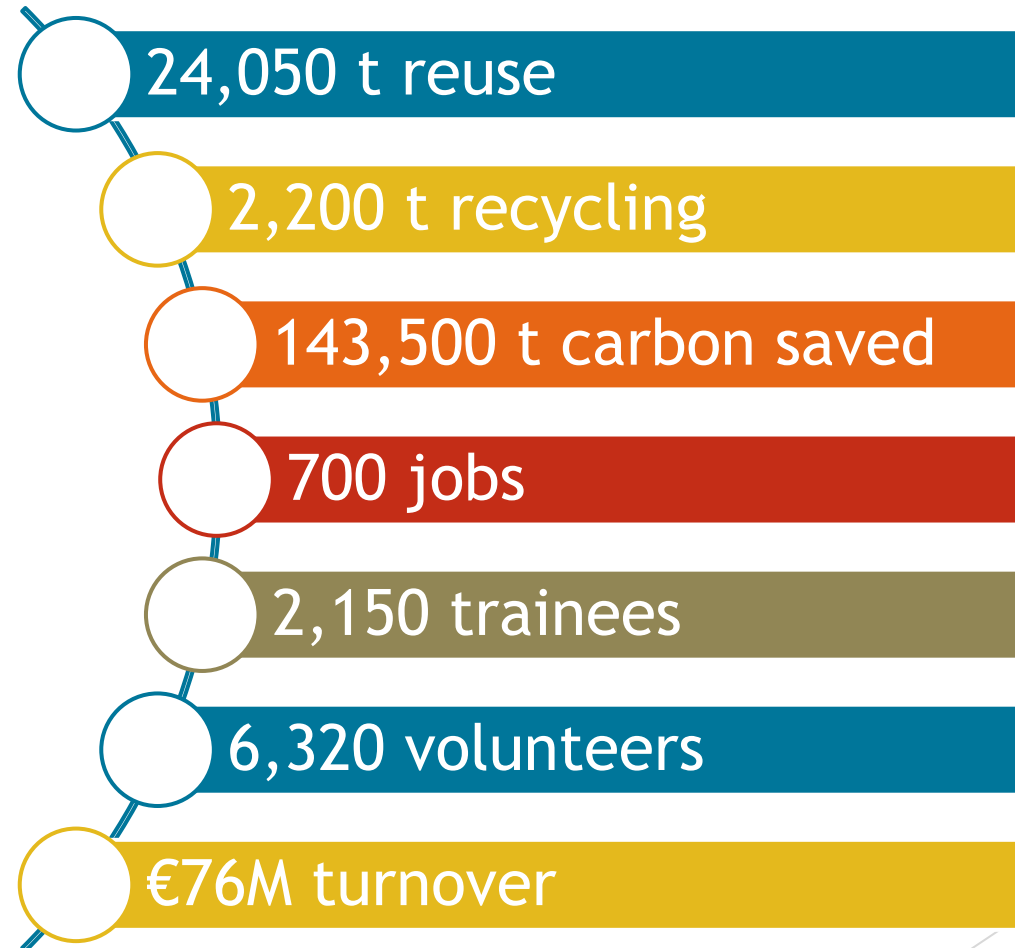


Prioritise, invest in and support prevention and preparation for reuse to make them **cheaper and/or more convenient** than buying new.

Set and support **legislative targets** for reuse and food waste prevention and preparation for reuse.

Support Ireland's **social enterprises** working toward a job rich, just and inclusive Circular Transition

CRNI member impact 2019 (est)



Textiles

EU strategy for textiles: Textiles the 4th highest pressure category. Strategy will boost market for sustainable & circular textiles, develop ecodesign measures, ensure access to re-use and repair, increased transparency, guidance on separate collection.

Ireland in numbers:

- ▶ Est 80,000 tonnes in HHW
- ▶ 14,500 tonnes reused via charity shops
- ▶ ? exported via textile banks
- ▶ ? reused in other second retailers (240 est other outlets)

CRNI Recommendations

- ▶ Awareness campaign about impacts and how to reduce and reuse
- ▶ Ensure local second hand clothing retailers are central to separate collection
- ▶ Prioritise textile banks that tie into local retailers
- ▶ Regulate textile collection banks



Electrical & ICT

EU CEAP 2.0: New 'Circular Electronics Initiative'; ecodesign measures for mobile phones, tablets and laptops; priority area for new right to repair, access to spare parts / upgrades / repair, regulatory measures on chargers, improving collection and treatment

Ireland in numbers:

- ▶ Active ICT reuse sector (approx 1,100 tonnes by CRNI members)
- ▶ Good recycling but nil accredited preparation for reuse centres

CRNI Recommendations

- ▶ Preparation for reuse targets on a phased basis for LHA & IT reaching 3% within 3 years (build into approval date - 2022)
- ▶ Require EPR schemes support preparation for reuse costs
- ▶ Preserve the quality of materials collected - improve collection facilities, allow prep for reuse operators to collect / provide direct access to material, min technical recommendations for collectors



Jobs & Skills

EU CEAP 2.0: Acknowledges the potential of the social economy as a “pioneer in job creation linked to the circular economy”, instruments to strengthen the role of social economy enterprises.

Ireland in numbers:

- ▶ Est 700 jobs + 2,150 training positions + 6,320 volunteers

CRNI Recommendations

- ▶ Ensure public investment in just transition plans (at regional or national level) includes and supports Circular Economy opportunities.
- ▶ Take a whole of Government approach to preparing for jobs and skills in a Circular Economy across apprenticeships programmes, further learning and third level courses.



Thank you



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