

STUDY TOUR BARCELONA REGION, CATALONIA

23-25 OCTOBER 2023

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VISIT

a unique combination of best practices on a tour that brings together two of the most important and discussed topics within local zero waste programmes today:

- 1. How to best collect and treat bio-waste in both urban and rural contexts
- 2. How to establish effective reuse systems with the support of the wider community, looking at takeaway packaging and WEEE in particular

DISCOVER

- Innovative projects that promote food waste prevention, repair and reuse. We'll be visiting reuse packaging pioneers Bumerang and eReuse, a company that uses the latest digital technologies to enhance the reuse of electronic items, among other inspiring initiatives.
- The composting station in Torrelles de Llobregat, which effectively treats organic and green waste from multiple municipalities in the Barcelona metropolitan area.
- Some of Europe's best performing zero waste municipalities, including Argentona which has a separate collection rate of 88% and generates 54kgs of residual waste per person in a year, and Torrellas de Llobregat which became one of Europe's first Zero Waste Certified Cities in 2022 and the first in Catalonia.

GET HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

- What it takes to set up highly efficient separate collection and recycling systems, with a particular focus on bio-waste, as well as what is required to set up an effective reuse system.
- What is required to design and implement effective reuse models, looking at both the role of private enterprises, associations and local public authorities - examining the key ingredients for a successful partnership between all three.

RECEIVE

expert advice and training on how to best design kerbside organics collection and treatment systems, reuse policies and broader municipal-led zero waste strategies, learnings that you can take back with you and apply in your local context.

LEARN

how to implement an efficient bio-waste separate collection system and the benefits it can bring to your municipality through a capacity-building workshop delivered by Zero Waste Europe staff and leading experts, during which the latest available results and learnings from the <u>BIOBEST</u> project will be shared.

FORMAL PROGRAMME

Places and visits orders are subject to change due to last-minute arrangements.

DAY 1 - MONDAY 23 OCTOBER 2023		
TIME	ACTIVITY	
09:00-11:00	Visit to Argentona municipality for their organics collection.	
11:30-12:30	Visit to the municipal facility of Nau Vila Besòs managed by Andròmines, focused on the promotion of collaborative economy and the reuse of materials.	
12:30-13:30	Visit to Andròmines reuse centre and explanation of the project eReuse, a collaborative project for extending devices durability and material recovery.	
14:00-15:00	LUNCH - Sopa Restaurant (Barcelona)	
15:00-16:00	Presentation of Bumerang, a pioneer system in Spain of packaging reuse for takeaway and delivery food.	
16:30-17:30	Visit to the first «Library of things» of Barcelona.	
19:30	DINNER	

DAY 2 - TUESDAY 24 OCTOBER 2023	
TIME	ACTIVITY
09:10-09:30	Visit to Foodback, the centre for food waste prevention in Mercabarna (wholesale market).
11:00-12:00	Visit to the emblematic Zero Waste municipality of Torrelles - the first municipality in Spain to receive the ZW Cities Certification (with 3 stars) and pioneered a door-to-door system.
12:00-13:00	Visit to the composting plant of Torelles de Llobregat, that treats organic and garden waste from several municipalities from the metropolitan area of Barcelona.
13:30-15:30	LUNCH - Flex & Kale (Barcelona)
16:30-17:30	Presentation of the Millor que Nou equipment of the Metropolitan Area of Barcelona, where citizens can repair their objects with the help of tools that can be rented, staff and training. There is also a space for exchanging second-hand objects.
19:30	DINNER

DAY 3 - WEDESNDAY 25 OCTOBER 2023		
TIME	ACTIVITY	
09:00-14:00	Capacity Building workshop "Unlocking Efficiency: strategies for building a high-performing municipal bio-waste system" Workshop delivered by Zero Waste Europe staff and leading experts, during which the latest available results and learnings from the BIOBEST project will be shared.	
14:00-15:30	LUNCH PROVIDED (for participants who wish to stay)	

The Study Tour concludes once the workshop is finished, after which attendees are responsible for their own travel back home and any extra nights accommodation in Barcelona if they stay on.

Please note that on Thursday 26th and Friday 27th October, there will be a <u>Zero Waste Festival</u> held in Barcelona. Participants are encouraged to stay on and visit this if they can. Zero Waste Europe will send more information through to those who have registered upon request.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Cost: 700 Euros per person.

Once you have registered, you will receive an invoice from Zero Waste Europe requesting payment. Your place on the Study Tour is only confirmed once we have received payment from you.

What's included:

- 3 nights accommodation in Barcelona (22nd, 23rd and 24th October)
- All travel within Barcelona during the tour
- 3x meals a day for the 23rd and 24th, only breakfast and lunch on the 25th
- Please note we will only cover the cost of your food during meals, any extra drinks will have to be paid for by yourself

Important things to note:

- You will need to book your travel to arrive in Barcelona for the evening of the 22nd October
- You can depart from Barcelona after 17:00 on Wednesday 25th October

For further information or request, please contact us by mail at: <u>jack@zerowasteeurope.eu</u> or <u>manon@zerowasteurope.eu</u>

REGISTRATION

>> CLICK HERE TO REGISTER<<

Registration is open until 09:00 CEST on Wednesday 4 October 2023.

Please note that **places are limited to a maximum of 25 people** and will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis.

By registering for this event, you are aware that it might be audio and video recorded for (partial) publication.