

# Circular Economy for Sustainable Development

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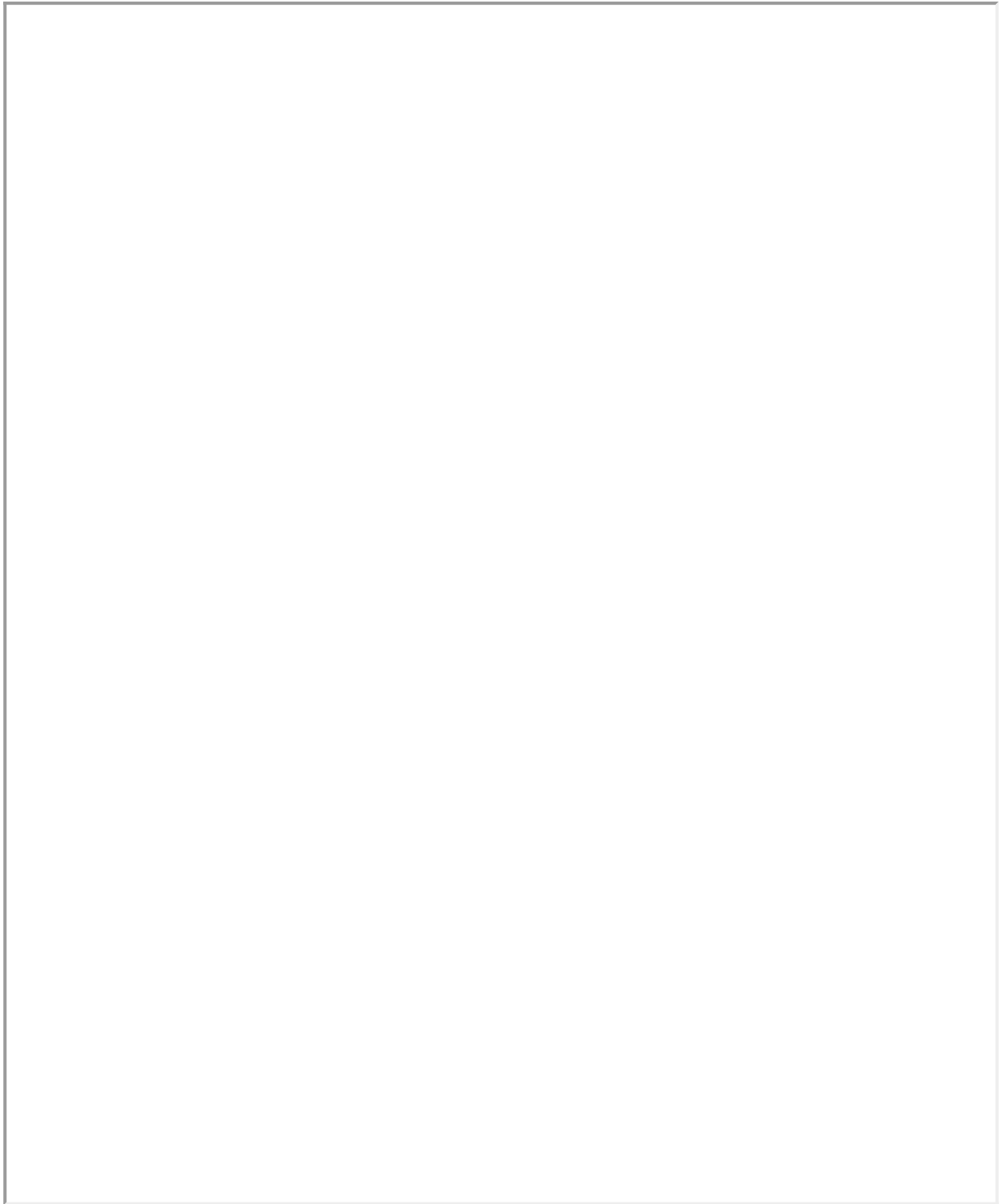
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## Why did we select this research?

As a new paradigm for economic development, the circular economy has significant environmental, economic and social benefits at the global scale. The circular economy concept highlights the notion of replacing the 'end-of-life' in current production and consumption practices by reducing, reusing, and recycling products and materials in production, distribution and consumption processes.

## Key findings:

- Radical policy changes needed (systems of extended producer responsibility should be reformulated to support their original goals of sustainable material use and eco-design).
- Investments in current infrastructures of production and waste management. The transition towards cyclical closed loop systems is not only a question of environmental policies. It will require a re-assessment of all public policies and investments, and a fundamental reform of the economic model as a whole.



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