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**WEEE News – July 2013.**

Dear readers,

the following topics have been prepared for you this month:

<b>Commodities:</b>	Unchanged tendencies and prospects.
<b>Producer responsibility:</b>	EWRN focuses on authorized representatives.
<b>The Recycler's View:</b>	A new device may be an old device.
<b>From the countries:</b>	Germany, UK, Italy, Denmark, Denmark, Netherlands, Portugal.

**Commodities: Unchanged tendencies and prospects.**

Our partner for raw material reports, the IKB Deutsche Industriebank AG ([www.ikb.de](http://www.ikb.de)), has reported again in their raw material reports in July of decreasing prices in ore, scrap and steel. According to the report, the price level of steel in Europe declined by 2 % in June. The IKB, however, confirms the forecast of increasing steel products after the summer break and assumes a rise by 3 % to 4 % higher prices from September.

The entire IKB-report can be found on our homepage [www.rene-europe.com](http://www.rene-europe.com) under the column WEEE News/Commodity reports.

**Producer responsibility: EWRN focuses on authorized representatives.**

In more or less a third of the member states is a registration according to the WEEE or Battery directive or rather their national realization still not possible. The WEEE-Recast intends therefore in Article 16 of the directive 2012/19/EU, that registrations can be done with a Power of Attorney. The concrete national requirements have not been published, yet. The European WEEE Registers Network (EWRN) will discuss this topic on the 25<sup>th</sup> June 2013 in the context of an internal conference.

Quelle: <https://www.ewrn.org/publications-events/events/>

**The Recycler's View: A new device may be an old device.**

On delivery of waste electrical equipment at the recycling sites has to be paid attention to transportation permit. There are additional country specific characteristics in force. In Italy a packed new launched appliances, which are sent to be recycled, are therefore, no new device anymore, but waste electrical equipment. The logistician is required to have a transportation permit; otherwise the recycling site has to refuse the delivery.

Source: STENE Technoworld, Italy

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**From the countries:** Germany, UK, Italy, Denmark, Denmark, Netherlands, Portugal.

**Germany: Insolvent companies have to cancel the registration correctly.**

According to the elektro-altgeräte-register © (EAR) insolvent companies, which quit the market, have to declare the sales volumes as long as the EAR has received the revocation order. For the obtainment of the revocation order, only the proof of the insolvency proceedings is not enough. The EAR additionally requires a letter in which the concerned company confirms that they do not put any products on the market anymore.

Source: Stiftung ear <http://www.stiftung-ear.de/>

**UK: Contrary trends in the entertainment electronic.**

The British EPA's figures of the sale- and collection volumes for the entertainment electronic for users in private households shows a decreasing sales volume of about 40 % in the period from 2007 to 2012, whereas the collection volume has been stable for 3 years. This can lead to a tendentially heightened collection obligation of concerning producers. There is no valid explanation for this phenomenon

Source: Statistics of UK EPA <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/>

**Italy: CRT-Recycling will be outsourced to Germany.**

According to themselves, the Italian organizations of STENA Technoworld plans to outsource the CRT-Recycling to Germany. The site in Angiari should therefore be modernized from October. In future, the recycling of the cathode ray tubes will take place at Griag Glasrecycling AG, a subsidiary of the STENA-group.

Source: STENA Technoworld circular of 25th June 2013

**Denmark: Realization of the Recast with strengthening of eco- design.**

The Danish register dpa-system ([www.dpa-system.dk](http://www.dpa-system.dk)) has been trying to pursue together with the collective systems Elretur, ERP, LWB and RENE AG as well as producers, the aim to create more incentives for the eco-design from electro- and electronic appliances to financially relieve the collection and recycling systems.

In the last newsletter we reported about the application of ERP Denmark to a redistribution of responsibility regarding Bornholm.

As reaction to this article, the responsible of ERP Denmark, Mr. Martin Therkelsen, has emphasized in a personal letter to the RENE AG that the application is not the same as a refusal to recycle. The application letter from ERP as well as the reaction of Mr. Therkelsen to our article can kindly be seen at RENE AG.

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**Netherlands: New collective system negotiates with municipalities.**

In the moment, the new collective system for waste electrical equipment WEEE Nederland (WEEE NL, [www.weee.nl](http://www.weee.nl)) that was approved by the Ministry earlier this year, negotiates with the municipalities in the Netherlands about the volume contracts beginning February 2014. By their own account, WEEE NL would like to put competition against NVMP and ICT. Therefore the ongoing charges should be considerably below the existing systems. Furthermore WEEE NL should not demand an additional membership in a branch association from the producers. The initiative is supported by the Dutch recycling companies Recydur ([www.recydur.nl](http://www.recydur.nl)) and Jacomij Electronics ([www.jacomij.nl](http://www.jacomij.nl)). Producers can sign up from now on. Further information are available at RENE AG ([info@rene-europe.com](mailto:info@rene-europe.com)).

Source: WEEE NL

**Portugal: Register threatens draconian penalties.**

The Portuguese WEEE-register anreee has threaten companies which put electrical equipment on the market without being registered, with penalties of about 2.5 million Euros. With that, the fines are more than twice times higher than in the previous year, as there was a similar situation. Portugal offers actively the highest amounts in Europe as it is known by RENE AG.

Source: Circular anreee, [www.anreee.pt](http://www.anreee.pt)

We wish all our readers a successful month!

Your RENE Team