

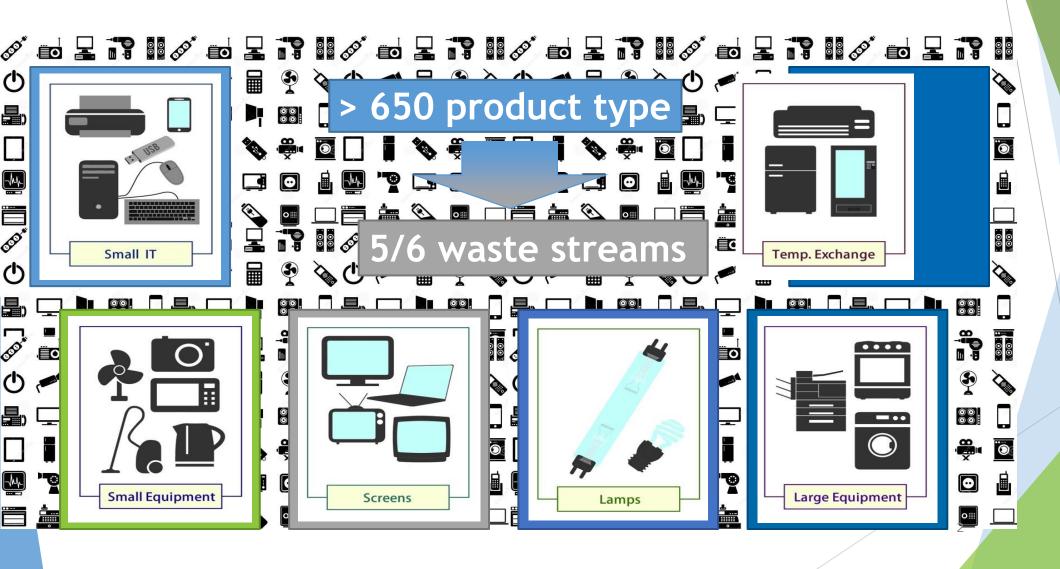
# Opportunities in the Circular Economy of E-waste management Case of Rwanda

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# Fastest growing stream of waste worldwide





WEEE Generated per capita (2014 pro-capita, )

Europe: 15.6 kg/inh Americas: 12.2 kg/inh Africa: 1.7 kg/inh 7 to 14 kg/inh 14 to 21 kg/inh >21 kg/inh

Asia: 3.7 kg/inh

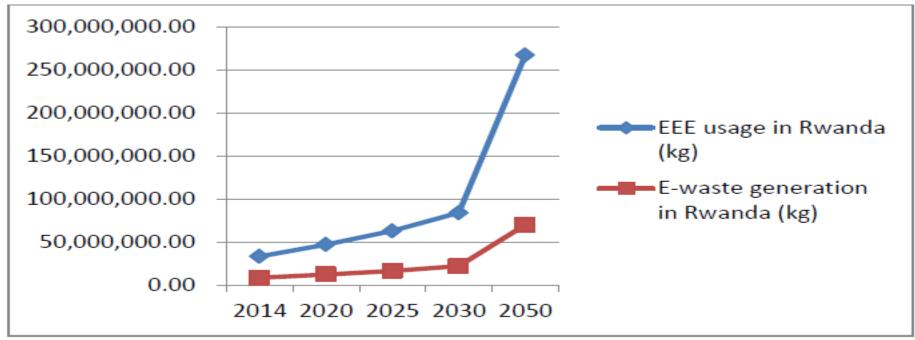
Rwanda: 0.9 kg/inh Approx 9'000 - 15'000 tonnes/year

Oceania: 15.2 kg/inh

\* Assumed the EU scope (max coverage)



### **Trends of E-waste in Rwanda**



	2014	2020	2025	2030	2050
EEE usage in	33,449,623.04	47,309,164.30	63,154,890.07	84,307,981.33	267,741,393.33
Rwanda (kg)					
E-waste	8,790,255.66	12,432,416.62	16,596,528.74	22,155,368.07	70,359,994.68
generation in					
Rwanda (kg)					



### Legal Framework for E-waste management in Rwanda

- National sanitation Policy Approved by the Cabinet in 2016
- ► National E-waste Policy (2017)
- ► Environmental law (Revised to include article 16 E-waste management) Approved by the Parliament in 2018
- ► E-waste Regulations Approved by the board of the Regulatory Authority (RURA) in 2018
- Rwanda is signatory to various international conventions ( such as Basel convention, Stockholm convention, Bamako convention, etc.)



### **Institutional Framework**

- Policies & strategies
- Ministry of Youth and ICT (MYICT)
- Ministry in charge of Trade and Industry
- Ministry in charge of Health
- Ministry in charge of State assets
- Ministry in charge of Education

### Regulators

- Rwanda Utilities Regulatory Authority (RURA)
- Rwanda Environmental Management Authority (REMA)
- Rwanda Standards Board(RSB)

### Partners

- Private Sector
- EEE Users
- Producers
- NGO and International organisation



### **Infrastructure for E-waste Management in Rwanda**

- ► The government of Rwanda has established a state of art e-waste dismantling and recycling facility
- ► The dismantling facility has attracted private sector investment and now operated under a PPP model, in partnership with Enviroserve Rwanda a subsidiary of an Emirati Recyling Powerhouse: Enviroserve services LLC.
- Enviroserve Rwanda in process of Establishing collection points/ Centres around the country

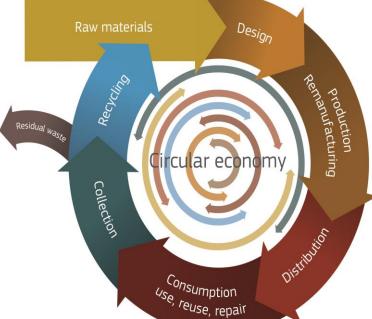




### **What's Circular Economy**

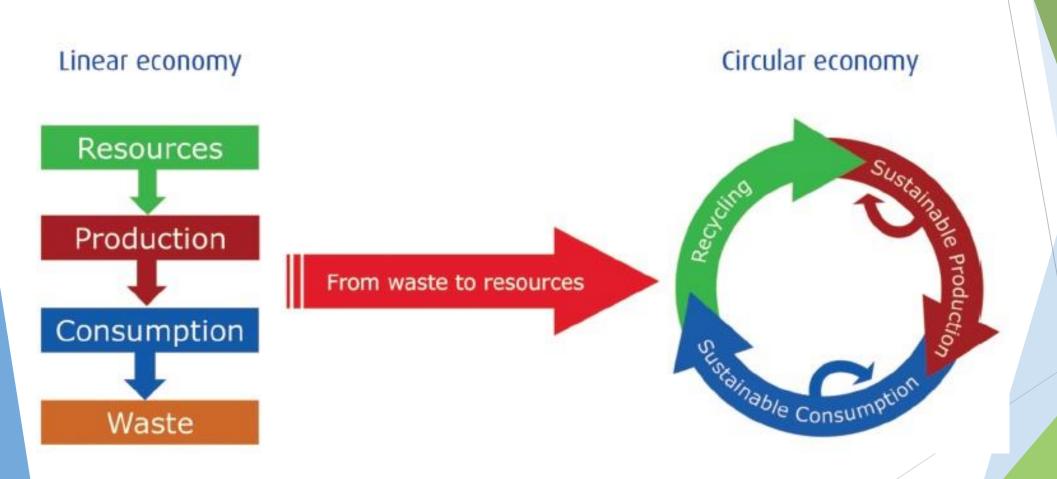
- > A regenerative Economic system
- Transition from "take-make-dispose" models to "take-make-useregenerate" resource model
- Aims to redesign the production and consumption systems
- > Emphasis on social, environment, economic and cultural aspects







# From Linear to a Circular Economy





# **Circular Economy of E-waste management**

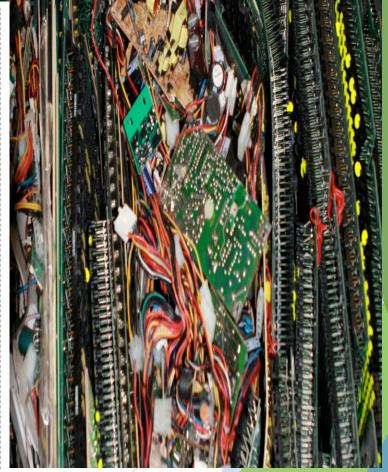
The CE of e-waste is driven by:

- Potential value of raw materials (Fe, Cu, Al, Ag, Au, Pd, Plastics, etc.
- High possibility of resource recovery
- Need for reduction in primary mining and pollution prevention
- Need for green jobs

Source: UNU report

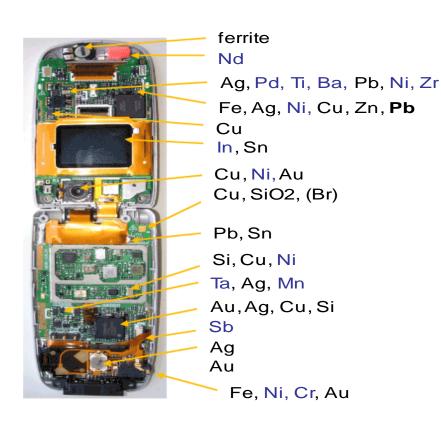
2011

Material	kilotons (kt)	Million €
Fe	16,283	3,582
Cu	2,164	9,524
Al	2,472	3,585
Ag	1.6	884
Au	0.5	18,840
Pd	0.2	3,369
Plastics	12,230	15,043





# Valuable Metals That Could be Recovered from a Mobile Phone



Quantity of Non-ferrous  Metals Included in One Mobile Phone  (Unit: g)				
Gold	0.028			
Silver	0.189			
Copper	13.71			
Palladium	0.014			



# Elements of CE in the policy & legal framework for e-waste management in Rwanda

- National sanitation policy an umbrella policy that recommends specific e-waste management policy
- ▶ National E-waste Policy provides guidance and policy direction on the appropriate legal and regulatory instruments for e-waste management
- ► Environmental law ( article 16 E-waste management ) approved by the Parliament based on the principle of producer responsibility provides the legal framework for the management of e-waste and the legal obligations to Producers and other institutions. ( Dialogue with Producers are key to ensure Redesign and Remanufacture)
- ▶ E-waste Regulations approved by the board of the regulatory authority, lay out the roles of the various actors, in particular producers and recyclers, emphasis on repair and refurbishment and sets minimum requirements for licencing and sanctions and penalties for non-compliance. (Integrating the informal sector to ensure circulaty)



### **Enviroserve Rwanda CE Business Model (6Rs)**

- Awareness & Training to promote reuse and reduce
- Refurbishment of equipment ( especially for schools )
- Professional repair and training of informal sector
- Dismantling and recycling of e-waste
- Partnership with Producers



# Opportunities in CE of e-waste (General)

#### **Environmental**

- Resources embedded in ewaste
- Pollution prevention
- Reduction in primary mining

#### **Economic**

- Green Jobs
- Competitiveness of Industry
- Access to state of the art technologies
- Improvements in resource productivity

#### Social

- Lifestyles of health and sustainability
- Mainstreaming of marginalized populations



### For a Green and Climate Resilient Rwanda

As Rwanda positions itself as a technology hub, there has been an increase in e-waste. In response, the Ministry of Trade and Industry partnered with the Rwanda Green Fund to build Africa's second state of art e-waste dismantling and recycling facility at the Bugesera Industrial Park.

Since it began operations, the e-waste recycling facility has processed more than 120 tonnes of material and prevented 279 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions from entering the atmosphere.

The project has attracted investment from an international private partner, with a payback period of ten years and possibilities for expansion.

# RETURN ON INVESTMENT

AFTER SIX MONTHS OF OPERATION

120

tonnes of e-waste collected

400

computers refurbished for schools **279** 

tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions mitigated 60

tonnes of e-waste dismantled Thanks to the fund's investment and implementation by the Ministry of Trade and Industry, Rwanda has now established an e-waste recycling facility, with the capacity to employ more than 1,000 people - making it the second state of art e-waste dismantling and recycling facility in Africa.

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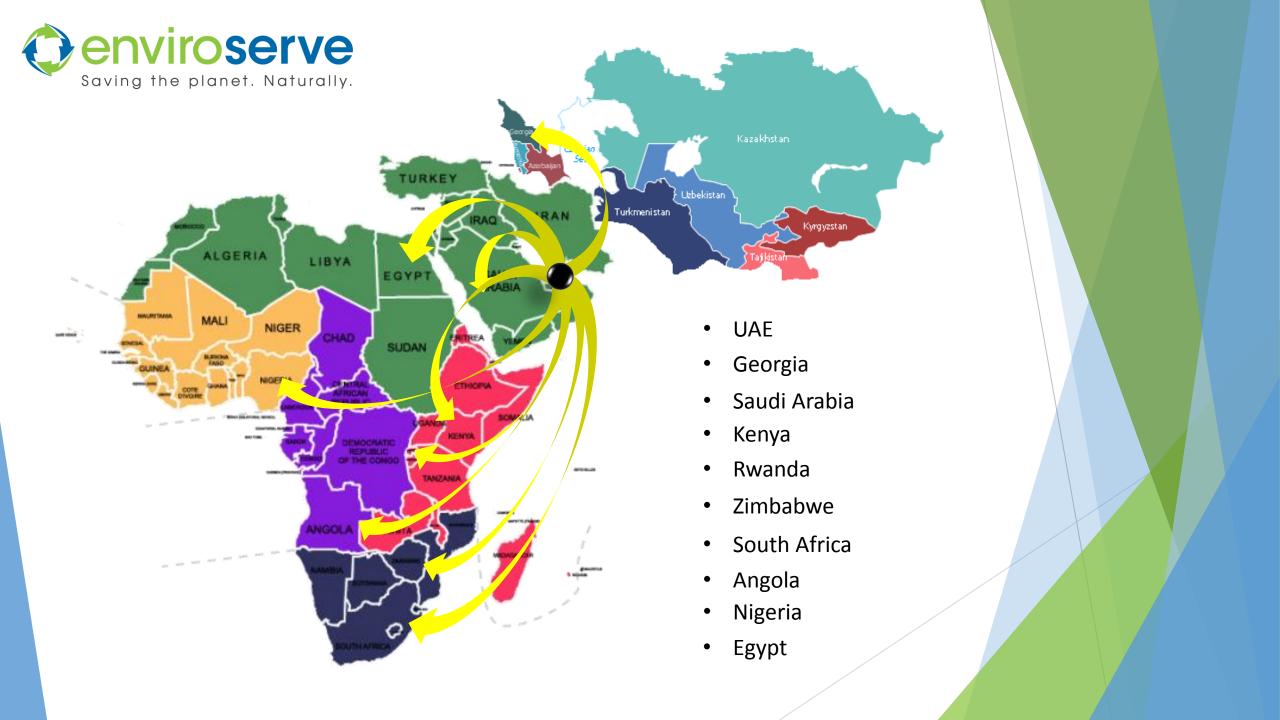
green jobs created (with 700 more in the pipeline) 60

tonnes of e-waste dismantled



I used to work at an electronic equipment repair shop. Some of the materials we used were dangerous for the environment and our health. Now that I work at the e-waste facility, I am proud to be preventing e-waste from harming people and our environment."







#### THE RECYCLING HUB









- FIRST OF ITS KIND IN MIDDLE EAST
- DUBAI INDUSTRIAL PARK
- COMPLETION APRIL 2018
- 39.000 TONS ANNUALLY
- ZERO LIQUID AND AIR EMISSION



# THANK YOU!

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