





The global population is growing, putting substantial stress on our environment and resources. Today, many objects are used and then disposed as waste despite their great recycling potential. The concept of the "circular economy" promotes a system where virtually nothing is wasted.

With the Circular Economy Action Plan, European decision makers have the immediate opportunity to stimulate growth, innovation and investment in the recycling sector.

That is what VinylPlus® is all about: improving environmental protection in a sustainable and economically viable way.

PVC (polyvinyl chloride) is one of the most widely used plastics. It is also very well suited for recycling. Through the VinylPlus initiative, a voluntary sustainable development programme, the European PVC industry is creating a long-term sustainability framework for the entire PVC value chain. VinylPlus works towards an efficient use of PVC throughout its entire life cycle.



LAUNCH of our recycling programme

2000

## VinylPlus at a glance



200

partners across Europe



**NETWORK** 

in the EU 27, Norway, Switzerland and the UK



**AROUND 150** 

recyclers engaged in PVC recycling through Recovinyl



€120 MILLION

invested in sustainability in Europe since 2000

VinylPlus has proven to be a key contributor to the Circular Economy by ensuring continuously growing and safe recycling of PVC. €750 **MILLION** 1,500 of annual turnover from **EMPLOYEES** recycled PVC in the PVC recycling field for converters 730,000 tonnes of **PVC** recycled in 2020 **ACHIEVEMENTS** 

13 MILLION

tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> saved since 2000

1 MILLION

tonnes of PVC recycled annually by 2030

6.5 MILLION

tonnes of PVC recycled since 2000

Every kilo of recycled PVC replaces the equivalent amount of new PVC on the market:



#### **PREVENTING**

a substantial amount of greenhouse gases and significantly reducing energy consumption.



### **CONTRIBUTING**

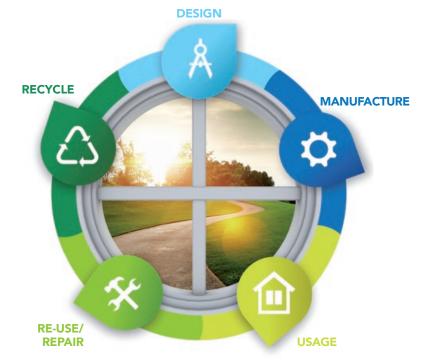
to the preservation of natural resources and significantly reducing landfill volumes for PVC. PVC is used in windows, roofing and waterproofing membranes, flooring, pipes, cables and many others.





The Circular Economy **Action Plan is a great** opportunity for EU decision makers to confirm and reinforce more than 20 years of efforts to develop an effective scheme for PVC recycling.

### The recycling path of a PVC window



# **PVC** in action for a Circular Economy

#### **730,000 TONNES** of recycled PVC

per year create



1,500 **NEW JOBS** 

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**FOR EACH KILO** OF RECYCLED PVC

2 kilos of



**CAN BE SAVED** 

**PVC CAN BE RECYCLED** 



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