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### German Environment Agency



# **PROJECT INFORMATION**

Exchange of experience in implementing the Waste Framework Directive, the Landfill Directive and the POP-Regulation in Bulgaria



Samples in a laboratory for waste analysis

Source: BiPRO GmbH

# **Background**

European waste policy aims at moving the EU closer to a recycling society, seeking to avoid waste generation and to use waste as a resource. The will to reach a circular economy is stressed by the new, five-stage waste hierarchy stipulated in the Waste Framework Directive. On the other hand, waste policy is equally intended to ensure the protection of human health and the environment in waste management. In those cases where recycling leads to a cycle of pollutants, which is undesirable from an environmental and health perspective, the respective waste or the contained pollutants have to be removed from the economic cy-

The EU Commission identified a considerable backlog of some Member States concerning the enforcement of the EU waste legislation in practice, including correct categorization, classification and treatment of waste. In Bulgaria, there is need for action inter alia regarding waste sampling and waste analyses in conformity with current standards, as these are preconditions for waste classification in accordance with the European List of Waste and for the identification of and allocation to environmentally sound treatment operations.

## **Project details**

The project aimed at exchanging experience and transferring knowledge regarding the individual steps of waste classification, sampling, sample preparation and waste analysis, realized within the scope of a workshop. Moreover, advice was given in order to update a Bulgarian guidance document. Useful information for an independent continuation of the knowledge transfer in Bulgaria was compiled and published in the form of a brochure.

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