

# INVITATION

ISWA, EXPRA and RDN (the ISWA Southeast Europe, Middle East and Mediterranean Regional Development Network) are pleased to invite you to a workshop on

***“Challenges to separate collection systems for different waste streams - barriers and opportunities”***

***9 October 2014, 9:00 - 17:00  
followed by a cocktail reception***

***Venue: Novotel Bucharest City Centre, Bucharest, Romania***

A key element of waste management is the establishment of an adequate infrastructure for residual waste and separate collection of materials. This is a complex task, which requires certainty of expected waste volumes in order to ensure economically efficient and environmentally sound end-of-life management.

Among the factors that impact material recycling volumes are material prices, as higher prices can make actors that are not enrolled in established waste management systems interested in these materials. In various countries, this has led to a situation where some actors illegally collect valuable waste materials from different locations, including streets, event sites and collection containers. This phenomenon threatens to negatively impact the smooth functioning of separate collection and recycling systems.

The workshop will offer a platform for stakeholders to exchange experiences on the effects of this phenomenon, and ways in which it can be tackled. Country specific case studies as well as company specific initiatives will be provided. Speakers will include representatives from the Romanian Ministry of Environment, ISWA, EXPRA and RDN.

## **Registration**

Please register to the event by sending an e-mail to Liliana Nichita [liliana.nichita@ecoromambalaje.ro](mailto:liliana.nichita@ecoromambalaje.ro) by 30 September 2014. Kindly note that spaces are limited.

Participation fee: 99 €

Special discounts on the accommodation in the venue hotel are available; please mention the need in your registration mail.

We look forward to welcoming you to this event!