

### > *Short presentation*

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Mr. Marco Ricci, (graduated in Physics and post-graduated in Environmental Management), works as an environmental consultant in Italy and abroad. He worked in the head-office of the German association Friends of the Earth (BUND e.V.) focusing on environmental and economical aspects of Trans-alpine freight-transports. In 1997 he was involved with the optimisation and starting-phase of an pilot plant for Biogas production in NRW (Bioenergie GmbH – Fresenius, Germany). He joined in 1999 the Working Group on Composting and Integrated Waste Management at Scuola Agraria del Parco di Monza, being involved in several projects dealing with the organisation and optimisation of urban waste managing systems and the operating criteria of composting plants, keeping in contact with foreign colleagues. He has been involved as senior researcher in various projects contracted by the EC and other Institutions to carry out surveys on options for biowaste management, costs of management and evaluation of PAYT schemes (f.ex Czech Republic, Manchester District UK) and preparing National MSW strategies on organic waste for non-EU Countries (f.ex Cambodian Ministry for Environment, Slovak Ministry of Environment).

Currently he works at the Italian Composting Association (C.I.C.), which unites public and private companies, local authorities and others involved in the production of compost, as well as producers of machinery and equipment, producers of fertilisers, research bodies etc..

### > *Main data*

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