Workshop on Waste Economics

Sliperiet, Room "White Box"

May 8th, 2018, 09:00 – 16:00

The workshop on waste economics will address issues relating to municipal waste management. The focus will be on the waste hierarchy and how environmental effects and sustainability can be worked into a social welfare framework. At the very heart of the discussion will be the question of how fast we should climb the waste hierarchy ladder. The workshop will also address the importance of considering incentive structures and market dynamics when designing policies aiming for a circular economy.

The workshop targets a broad audience and constitutes a platform where researchers and stakeholders can meet and exchange ideas.

Program

9⁰⁰-9³⁰ Introduction: **Thomas Broberg**

9³⁰-10¹⁵ Stakeholders' perspectives (policy targets, constraints)

10¹⁵-10³⁰ Coffee

10³⁰-11¹⁵ The Circular Economy: An Economist's View: **Prof. Patrik Söderholm**

1115-1145 European cross-country comparison of waste management practices: Alejandro Eguez

11⁴⁵-12⁴⁵ Lunch

12⁴⁵-13¹⁵ Waste incineration – Policy and trends in Finland: **Hannu Savolainen**

13¹⁵-14¹⁵ Waste management experiences from the Netherlands: **Prof. Elbert Dijkgraaf**

14¹⁵-14³⁰ Coffee

14³⁰-15³⁰ How should positive and negative effects on the environment be accounted for in policy analyses? **Prof. Runar Brännlund/Prof. Bengt Kriström**

15³⁰-16⁰⁰ Discussion and final reflections

Sign up for the workshop by sending an e-mail to Thomas Broberg (thomas.broberg@umu.se) no later than April 30. Please indicate if you have any special preferences regarding lunch (vegetarian, allergies etc).

The *Green Technology and Environmental Economics Research and Collaboration Platform* focus on interdisciplinary research and development by integrating environmental system analysis, process integration and environmental economics expertise. The platform focuses on environmental analyses and relates to Sweden's environmental quality objectives and the development of sustainable cities. The platform is a joint initiative from Umeå University and the Umeå Municipality Companies Umeå Energi, VAKIN and Dåva DAC.