

## **Abstract: Circular Plastics NL as a Catalyst for the Circular Economy**

Circular Plastics NL (CPNL) is at the forefront of accelerating the transition to a circular economy in the plastics sector. While the subsidy program's ambitions are clear, we face significant challenges, technological and material-related. And to maintain competitiveness in the global market, we must also navigate evolving European and national regulations. The national subsidy program is crucial in addressing these bottlenecks by:

- Providing subsidies for material and process innovations, fostering technological breakthroughs that reduce waste and improve efficiency and quality of recyclates.
- Supporting the research and development of new materials that are more recyclable, replacing those currently difficult to recycle, and ensuring future sustainability.
- Deploying showcases to demonstrate closed-loop systems for specific material cycles, highlighting practical applications that move us toward our circular economy goals.

By leveraging knowledge, networks, and innovation, CPNL aims to support the economical ecosystem to stay ahead of market trends and deal with regulatory frameworks.