PLAST2bCLEANED

The overall aim of PLAST2bCLEANED is to develop a human and environmentally safe recycling process for Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) plastics in a technically feasible and economically viable manner for the most common WEEE plastics acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) and high-impact polystyrene (HIPS) and will close three loops: (1) polymer, (2) bromine, and (3) antimony trioxide.

Development of a mechanical presorting technology



Closing 3 loops using dissolution under superheated conditions by separation of:

- (1) the polymer
- (2) the bromine
- (3) the antimony trioxide
- **Process integration** 3 and scale-up

System optimizing for sustainability and economic viability



Performance testing of process and products

Results

- Sorting prototype based on RAMAN spectroscopy and ML-models
- Pilot plant TRL5/6 realized: 9 kg of recycled ABS (rABS) produced
- Mechanical properties except impact strength comparable to virgin ABS
- Process is much more environmentally friendly compared to incineration
- LCC screening indicates that rABS price range is competitive to virgin ABS



Increased recycling rate of WEEE



emissions savings



Implementation of the EU Strategy on Plastics in a Circular Economy and the SPIRE PPP Roadmap



























