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### ECCE-HUMAN

## Empowering Citizens for Circular Economy: a HUMAN-centred law model

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## Online Workshop: Presentation of intermediate research results

On 22 May 2025, another significant event took place, this time organised by the University of Udine as part of the ECCE-HUMAN project, which is funded by Italy's Piano Nazionale di Ripresa e Resilienza (PNRR). The project promotes a human-centred approach within the circular economy sector, empowering citizens with the legal tools necessary to navigate an increasingly circular and digital society.

As scheduled, the event was held in the form of an online workshop, offering participants from various units the opportunity to engage in constructive dialogue.



Professor Bergamini, head of the University of Udine unit, opened the session before handing over to the Principal Investigator (PI), Professor Calabrese. Professor Calabrese reported that the project was ahead of schedule and that the chapters for the volume had already been submitted to the publisher. He also updated participants on the upcoming phases of the project.

In preparation for the workshop, the chapter abstracts were sent to the two academic peer reviewers, Professors Christopher Willett and Peter Mezei, and a questionnaire was created to be distributed to the stakeholders. The PI during his presentation shared the feedbacks from reviewers and the results of the questionnaire. Significant contributions were made by them to the identification of critical issues and the refinement of the book's chapters under preparation.

Following this initial session, members of the various units - grouped by area of expertise - presented their intermediate research findings in relation to the project's original objectives, arriving at the ultimate version of the Working Paper published on the project website. These presentations highlighted the complexity of the project's subject matter and illustrated the interconnection and mutual dependence of commercial law, EU law, international law, public law, and private law within a sociological framework. The discussions underscored that only coordinated, interdisciplinary action can effectively address the current legal gaps and equip citizens with the necessary tools to thrive in a circular and digital society.

Stay tuned to read the working paper and to keep up with all the latest updates on the open access publication of the volume!