

# GERMANY

*Youth for science, youth for business, science for business*

## Good practices: policy measures for circular economy and eco-innovations:

- ✓ [ProgRes II](#) – governmental Resource Efficiency Programme working through the following 4 platforms:
  - [Network of resource efficiency](#) (NeRes)
  - [Network for circular economy and waste](#) (NIK)
  - [BINE Information Service](#) – market intelligence
- ✓ Performance standards, labelling, certification – [Blauer – Engel. de](#) (facilitating identification of eco-friendly products);
- ✓ [Green public procurement](#);
- ✓ Tax exemption extended to electric vehicles of all vehicle categories for 5 years;
- ✓ Subsidised the purchase of soot particle filters for diesel-engine cars;
- ✓ minimum requirements and information requirements for producers on the material efficiency, lifetime and recyclability of products;
- ✓ A new packaging law to enter into force in January 2019, raises recycling targets and aims to reduce packaging waste<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> [Meghan O'Brien, Eco-Innovation in Germany: EIO Country profile 2016 - 2017, Eco – Innovation Observatory, 2017](#)