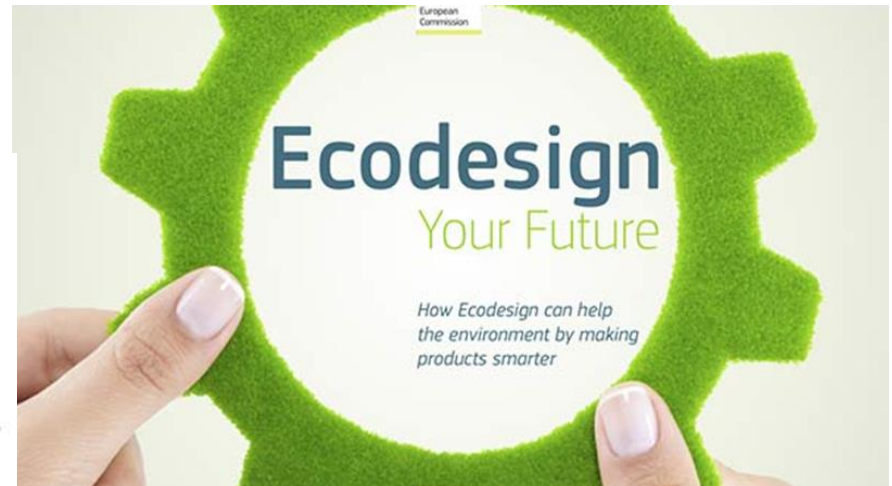




# Reparability in EU product policy

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Ecodesign and Energy Labelling to contribute to the objectives of Circular Economy.

Exploring the possibility to establish product-specific or horizontal requirements on

- Durability
- Reparability
- Upgradability
- Design for disassembly
- Ease of reuse and recycling

Improve the methodological basis for material efficiency requirements in product Regulations

Mandate M/543 to standardisation organisations on

- Extending product lifetime
- Reuse of components and recycling materials
- Use of reused components and recycled material

WG3 under JTC10 working on reparability, reusability, upgradability

- WG Document under consultation
- Standard expected in March 2019

- *Study to support Ecodesign measures to improve reparability of products (Deloitte, 2016 and 2018)*
  - **Socio-economic analysis of the repair sector in 10 MS**
  - **Product scope includes white goods and electronics**
  
- *Ecodesign and other product policies for Circular Economy (JRC, 2018)*
  - **study on reparability and upgradability of televisions**
  - **study on material efficiency (incl. reparability) of smartphones**
  
- *Behavioural Study on Consumer's engagement in the Circular Economy (DG JUST, 2018)*
  - **Consumer survey and experiment including repair (dishwashers, vacuum cleaners, televisions, mobile phones, clothes)**

- *Study on a possible scoring system on reparability to support Ecodesign in a Circular Economy (JRC, 2018)*
  - **Stage 1: development of a general approach for the assessment of products reparability**
  - **Stage 2: test of the general approach on specific product groups: laptops, washing machines, vacuum cleaners**
  
- *To be followed by a consumer survey and experiment to test the understanding of the reparability scoring and influence on decisions (2019)*
  
- *If the results are convincing, the next step could be to integrate the scoring system in product Regulations (from 2019 on)*

## Some initiatives in EU Member States

- *Austria: label of excellence for durable, repair-friendly designed electrical and electronic appliances (2014)*
- *Germany: Roundtable on repair (Berlin, 2015) and Öko-Institute study on obsolescence (2016)*
- *Benelux: reparability criteria and test methods, applied to washing machines and vacuum cleaners (2018)*
- *Sweden: tax refund allowing to claim back from the income tax up to 50% of the labour cost of appliances repair (2017)*

**Thank you for your attention!**

**Have a good meeting!**

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