

## Press Release

### EAA reinforces its recycling dimension

**Brussels, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2013:** The European Aluminium Association (EAA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Magdalena Garczynska as the Director of its new Recycling Department. This new position will strengthen the expertise of EAA on an industry segment that is a cornerstone of the aluminium industry's sustainability.

*"The appointment of Magdalena comes at a crucial time as the EU starts to revise its waste legislation. Being a recycling champion, the aluminium industry has a significant role to play in this revision"* EAA's Director General Gerd Götz stated. *"We want the future waste legislation to contribute to secure access to secondary raw materials for the recycling industry and to unlock the recycling potential of our industry. I am delighted that Magdalena accepted this challenge."*

Magdalena Garczynska underlined: *"I am pleased to join a sector that has such a positive and innovative contribution to the EU's sustainability objectives. I look forward to working with our members and all the actors of the recycling value chain to ensure that EU decision-makers recognise the infinite recyclability of this material".*

Magdalena – a Polish national – has over 10 years' experience in engineering and public affairs. Prior to joining the EAA, she was a technical manager at the European Association of the Machine Tool Industries (CECIMO) where she guided the association's work on environmental, energy and other issues. She also worked at the NSF International and the Berlin University of Technology. Magdalena holds a M.Sc. degree in mechanical engineering and a post-graduate degree in Fluid Dynamics.

The EAA has enlarged its membership to recyclers that were previously represented by the Organisation of the European Aluminium Recycling industry (OEA), and consequently founded a new Recycling Department to be headed by the Recycling Director.

*For more information on the EAA position on the EU waste legislation, please read our [press release](#) and [position paper](#).*



**About the European Aluminium Association:**

The European Aluminium Association, founded in 1981, represents the whole value chain of the aluminium industry in Europe, from alumina and primary production to semi-finished, end-use products and recycling. The European aluminium industry directly employs about 255,000 people and yields an annual turnover of 39 billion €. *For information, please visit [www.alueurope.eu](http://www.alueurope.eu)*

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