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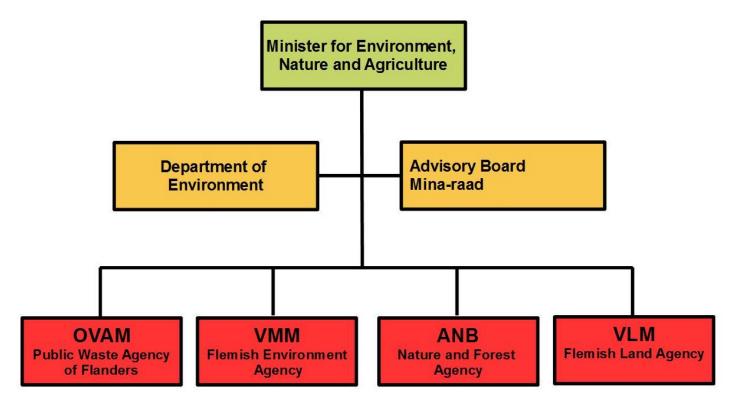
- Public Waste Agency of Flanders
- Environmental Agency headed by the Flemish Minister of Environmental Affairs
- Established in 1981 (State reform of 1980)
- Competent Authority for:
 - Waste Management;
 - Sustainable Material Management;
 - Circular economy;
 - Soil Remediation.
- Staff: approx. 310 FTE (40/60 m/f)
- Offices : Mechelen Belgium
- www.ovam.be







OVAM in the environmental policy arena

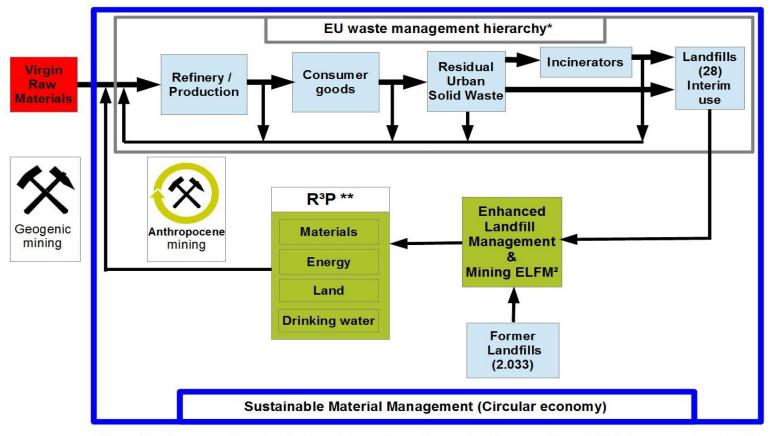






Resource Management version 2.0

Enhanced Landfill Management & Mining (ELFM2)



*Prevention (Ecodesign, dematerialisation,...), Reuse/ Recycling, Incineration, Landfilling (EU Waste Framework Directive)

^{**} R³P = Recycling of Materials, Recovery of Energy, Reclaiming of Land, Preserving Drinking water supplies





OVAM and international cooperation















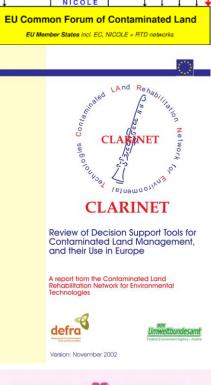










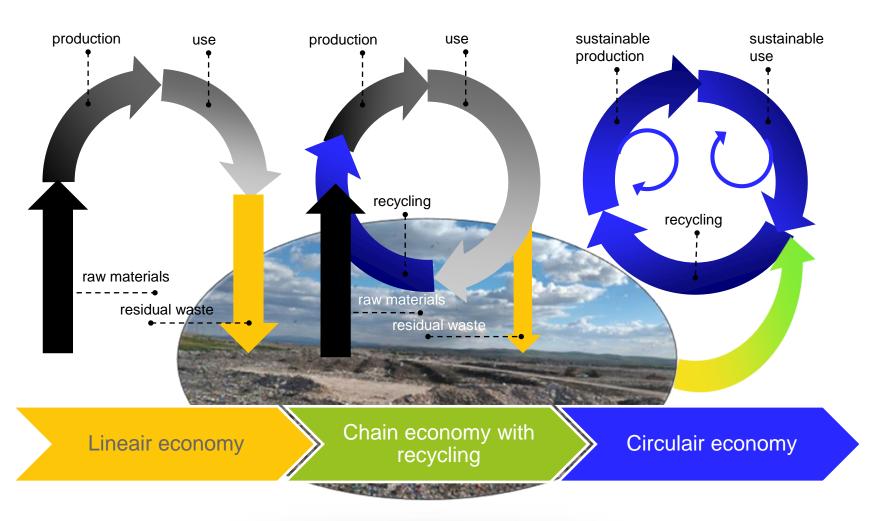






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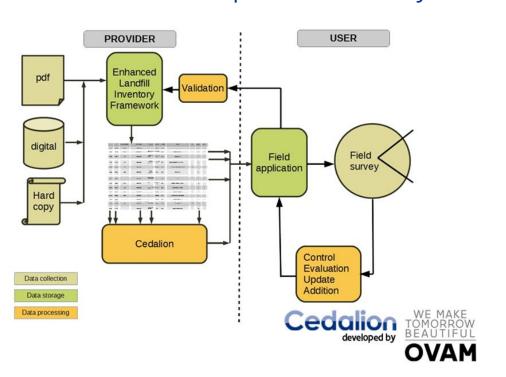
Transition of Landfills: Dynamic Landfill Management from waste to resources

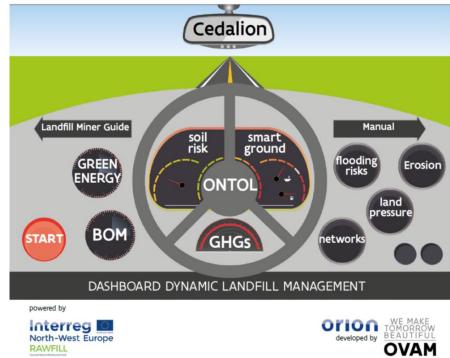


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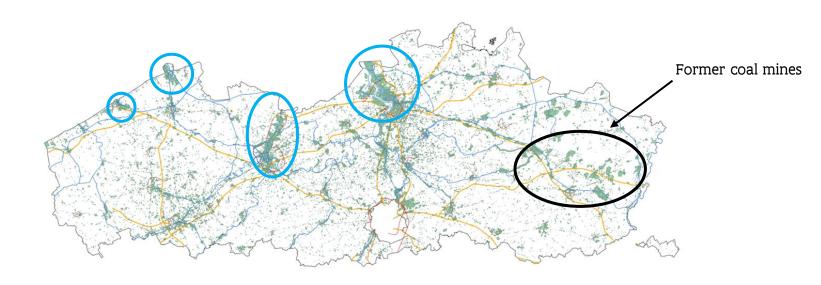


Objective: Getting actors interested in landfills by providing information and viable options which they can evaluate and customize.





Soil remediation Introduction



Land Information Register (OVAM):

- Approx. ca. 45.000 locations investigated; approx. 3.500 remediations completed;
- Estimated risk locations: 85.000 (12.000 sites potentially require remedial actions);
- Links to industrial axes, harbours, mining areas.





Brownfield covenant Act

March 22, 2007

Definition of brownfield:

- former abandoned or under-used industrial site
- (perceived) soil contamination
- redevelopment is a complex process
- active potential for reuse

Advantages:

- single contact point (Agency for Entrepreneurship)
- negotiator appointed by the Government
- guided participation process
- integrating multiple governmental permits
- follow-up and monitoring by steering committee
- tax reduction (10%) at land acquisition
- no financial guarantee on soil remediation
- covenant: signed agreement

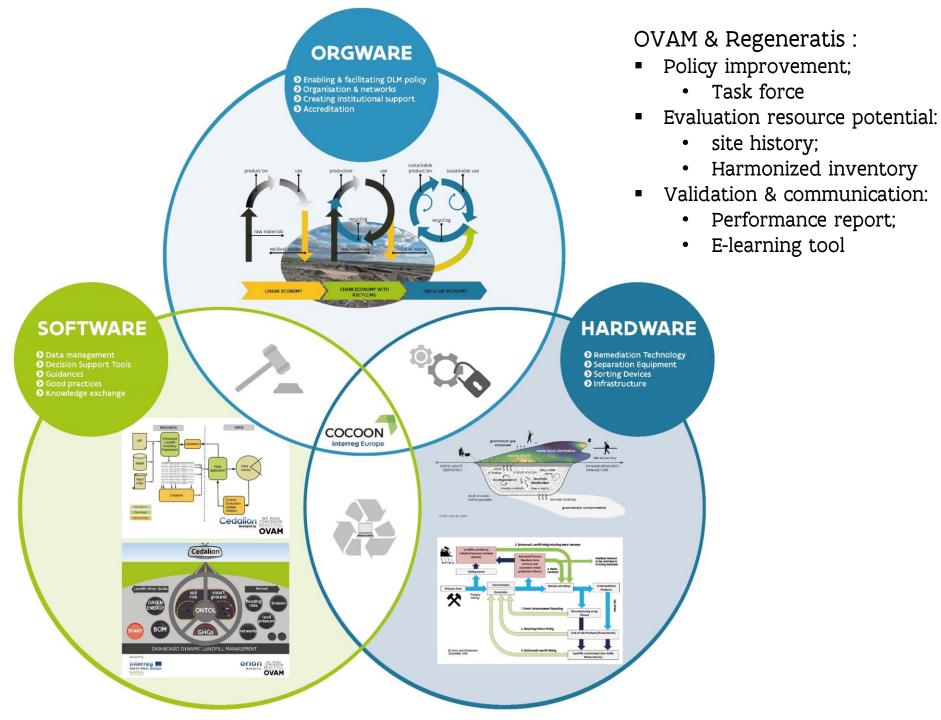
Results (June 2018):

- 9 calls -> 220 proposals introduced
- 82 signed covenants
- 1.700 ha redeveloped









Thanks for your attention

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