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Sustainable production: what role for EPR?

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- the best product is no product: EPR fees should cover all externalities of products throughout their lifecycle – environmental and social
- Criteria for fee modulation should be harmonised and should reflect waste hierarchy and features that **extend products' lifetimes**
 - Durability
 - Reusability and reparability
 - Toxic-free products & materials

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- Bonus/malus systems & fee structure can help **take** ecodesign criteria to the next level:
 - Modular design
 - Assembly/ disassembly
 - Homogeneous material streams
 - Substances of concern/driving chemical substitution

Unlocking the higher tiers of the CE

- Establish infrastructure and systems to enable large scale re-use (e.g. PRO-owned pool systems, enabling the retention of used textiles, ...)
- Progressive fees based on new items put on the market
- Support circular business models based on sharing/leasing as well as localized production&consumption

Thank you

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