

## What's happening? How does it happen?

Cleantech, short for 'clean technologies', searches for ways to make use of technologies to better use our natural resources and minimalise the impact on the environment. All this combined with economical added value and environmental gains. The main aim is renewable materials and energy resources together with stimulating the switch from a linear to a circular economy.

# Why is this a interesting circular initiative for circular harbours?

Cleantech Cluster Region Ghent wants to connect economical, social and ecological considerations with clean technologies and therefore stimulate the switch from lineair to circular economies.

# More information



Workshop with companies

#### What is the relation with the port and water?

The region of Ghent has strong actors to make this transition, where the port plays of course an important role in order to enlarge collaboration with private companies and also to carry out the field research.



Companies collaboration

#### What are the ambitions?

Cleantech Cluster Region Ghent wants to connect economical, social and ecological considerations with clean technologies and therefore stimulate the switch from lineair to circular economies. The region of Ghent has all the assets to be a world player in cleantech, resource recovery and circular economy: many materials in the region can be used differently (building materials, plastics, CO2, textile...); strong actors in the field (companies, knowledge institutes, public actors and civilians); ambition to handle the transitions...

### What is the relation with the city?

### Who is behind it?

Cleantech Cluster Region Ghent is initiated by the city of Ghent, North Sea Port, University of Ghent, Province East-Flanders, Development Agency East-Flanders and Clean Flanderes.

Furthermore a research of the flows and value chains of building materials and plastics is done by VITO, with the aim to make new chains.

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# What is the timeframe?

Cleantech Cluster Gent Region was Iaunched	Gent Climate City, together to 2030 Stakeholder Event	Regio Gent organized the event 'The Cleantech Challenge: from innovation to implementation'
2016	2017	2018

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