



# Waste to Wealth Action Plan

## Introduction

On 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018, BITC convened the Waste to Wealth Summit at Veolia’s Southwark Plant. In the presence of HRH The Prince of Wales, with The Rt. Hon. Michael Gove, Secretary of State for Defra, more than 200 leaders came together to explore how we can harness the opportunities to create wealth by doubling the nation’s resource productivity and eliminating avoidable waste by 2030. Since the summit we have consulted with the signatories of the Waste to Wealth Commitment and have developed an action plan to support businesses, which is set out here.

## Our Ambition

Our ambition is to create a movement that puts resource productivity at the heart of creating wealth, whether that be through the materials in products, services and operations, the energy that drives our economy or restoring the health of the ecosystems we depend on. To achieve this ambition, we need many organisations to be part of this movement. By 2025 we aim to have 5000 signatories.

**We encourage signatories to invite their suppliers, clients and customers to sign up.**

## 2019 Key Priorities

- and encourage more companies to sign up to the Circular Office initiative (100 so far)
- Develop a Best Practice Guide for Resource and Waste Management
- Set up an online Waste to Wealth Resource Hub to share knowledge and learnings with signatories and provide links to related activities
- Host Waste to Wealth workshops to provide support, knowledge sharing and networking opportunities for signatories
- Collate baseline data on resource productivity and waste, and publish a Year 1 Progress Report.





# Resources

Please find below a list of useful resources.

## Business in the Community

Resource Productivity and the Circular Economy: Laying the foundations and accelerating the pace of change

<https://www.bitc.org.uk/resources-training/resources/research/resource-productivity-and-circular-economy-laying-foundations>

The Circular Office Guide

<https://www.bitc.org.uk/resources-training/resources/research/circular-office-guide>

## Cambridge Institute for Sustainability leadership

Towards Sustainable Packaging



## World Economic Forum

A New Circular Vision for Electronics

[http://www3.weforum.org/docs/WEF\\_A\\_New\\_Circular\\_Vision\\_for\\_Electronics.pdf](http://www3.weforum.org/docs/WEF_A_New_Circular_Vision_for_Electronics.pdf)

## Wrap

Courtauld 2025

<http://www.wrap.org.uk/food-drink/business-food-waste/courtauld-2025>

The UK Plastics Pact

<http://www.wrap.org.uk/content/the-uk-plastics-pact>

