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SMART GROUND Team is pleased to welcome you to the 2nd issue of SMART GROUND newsletter!

SMART GROUND is a H2020 project, that intends to foster resource recovery in landfills by improving the availability and accessibility of data and information on Secondary Raw Materials in the EU, while creating synergies among the different stakeholders involved in the SRM value chain. SMART GROUND is creating a single EU database to integrate all the data from existing databases and new information collected during project activities.

The collection of SMART GROUND Platform "*start-up capital*" is started.

The investigation & characterization of the selected target pilot landfills has started in partner countries, for the screening of the most common elements and metals found in municipal, mining and industrial landfills.

Let's discover pilot landfill activities in *Finland!*

Metsäsairila hosted pilot scale investigation, VTT led the piloting activities. After mechanical sampling, waste material was manually sorted to different fractions (metal, plastic, wood, energy waste etc) and a more detailed analysis of samples continued in the laboratories of Mikkeli University of Applied Sciences (MAMK) and VTT.

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Events attended:

- [SMART CITIES in SMART REGIONS](#) 10th May 2016 - Lahiti (FINLAND)
- [SUM 2016](#) 24th May 2016 - Bergamo (ITALY)
- [New InnoNet Cluster Meeting](#) 09th June 2016 Brussels (BELGIUM)

Synergies with other EU Institutions

- In order to assure interoperability between SMART GROUND Platform and the JRC [Raw Materials Information System](#) (RMIS), SMART GROUND representatives attended a round table hosted in JRC - ISPRA headquarters last 24th May
- Last June, during the Project Consortium meeting, a panel with the Hungarian Office for Mining and Geology was held in Pécs

Upcoming Events:

- **SMART GROUND** will be presented Tuesday 10th November 2016, during *ECOMONDO - Green and Circular Economy 2016*. [Click here and find out more](#)
- **SMART GROUND** at [ProSUM Project Information Network Event](#) 18th October 2016 - Brussels

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