

Welcome to Mechelen

World Circular Economy Forum

17 april 2024



Purpose

- 1. Stimulating circular entrepreneurship
- **2. Diversify** and **increase employment** for people at a distance from the labor market.



Partners

- 28 Rond vzw
- Ecoso vzw
- Provincie Antwerpen
- Stad Mechelen
- Switchrs
- Thomas More Research
- Toastmasters Mechelen
- Unizo Provincie Antwerpen

CIRCULAIRE ECONOMIE HUB - REGIO MECHELEN















Products

Annual Event

The future of social and circular entrepreneurship in Mechelen

Klimaatactie

klimaatneutraal.mechelen.be/klimaatactie

Newsflash

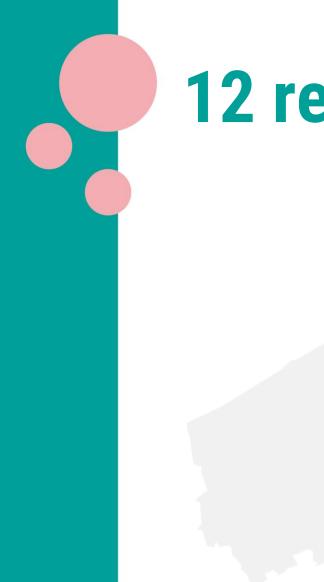
mechelen.be/nieuwsflash-circulairehub



Sluit de Cirkel

www.mechelen.be/sluitdecirkel2023





12 regional hubs in Flanders





Chain cooperation and ecosystem work

Mechelen wants to focus on the circular transition by 2030







Food, including packaging

Construction industry

Consumer goods











Daphne Storms

Consulent circulaire ondernemersnetwerken Stad Mechelen & Circulaire hub regio Mechelen E **CirculaireEconomie@mechelen.be**





WELCOME





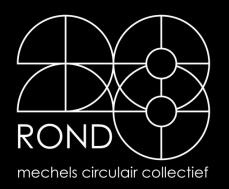


EARTH OVERSHOOT DAY

The day we consumed as much of the Earth can generate in 1 year.







BELGIUM OVERSHOOT DAY EARTH OVERSHOOT DAY





BELGIUM OVERSHOOT DAY

With the Belgian consumption behaviour we need 4 earths per year





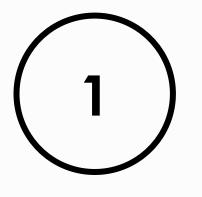
Who / What is 28 ROND

28ROND is a **community** of circular changemakers who want to **accelerate the circular transition** in the Rivierenland region.











Raise **awareness**, **inform & connect**

Space for experimentation and entrepreneurship



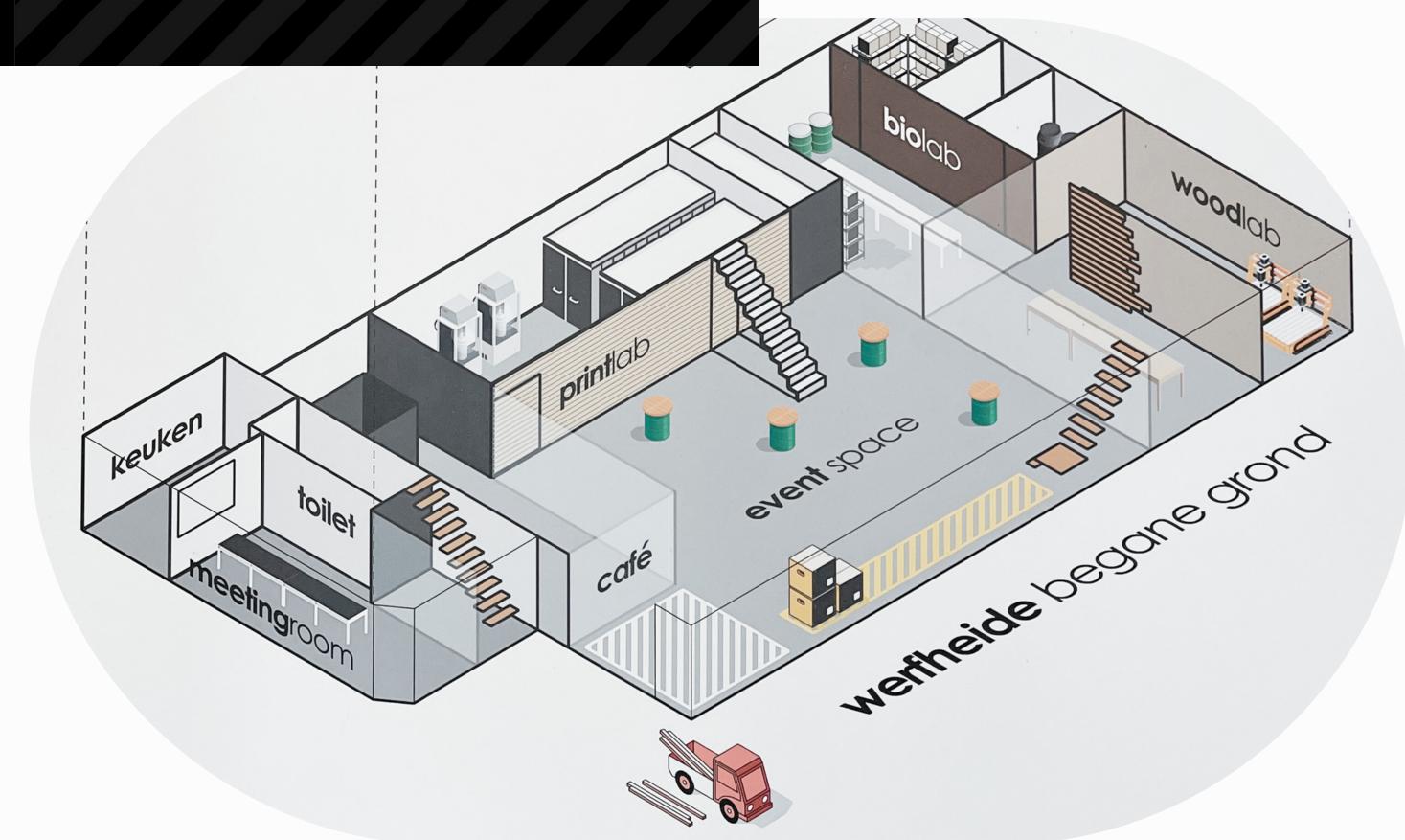
Events and **activities**



CAFÉ CIRCULAIR

Every 28th of the month





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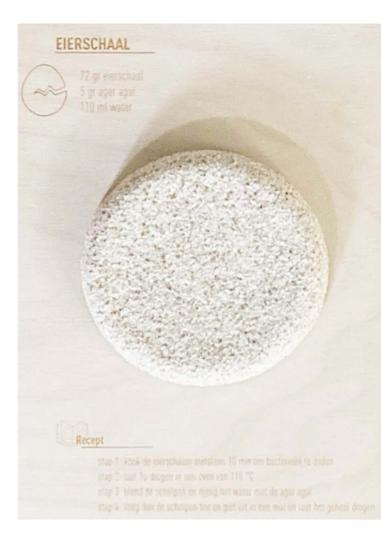




research and development of new materials and applications for organic residual flows



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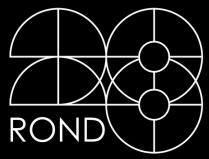




SCHELPEN

15 gr hingemalen messel 15 gr arabische gom 15 ml water





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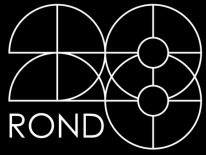




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Glasses





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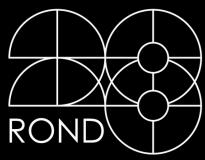




SUPERGOODS

Clothing





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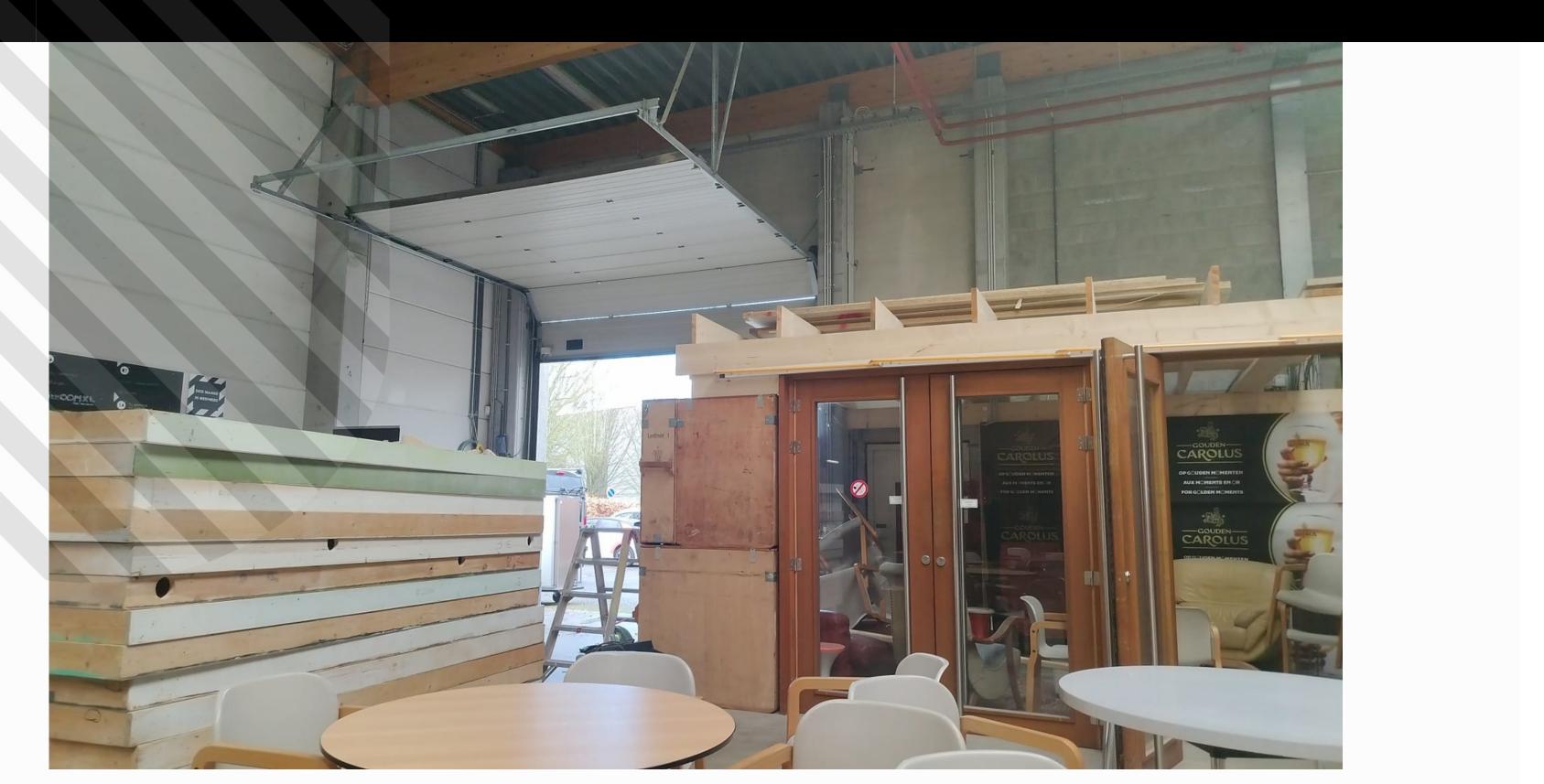




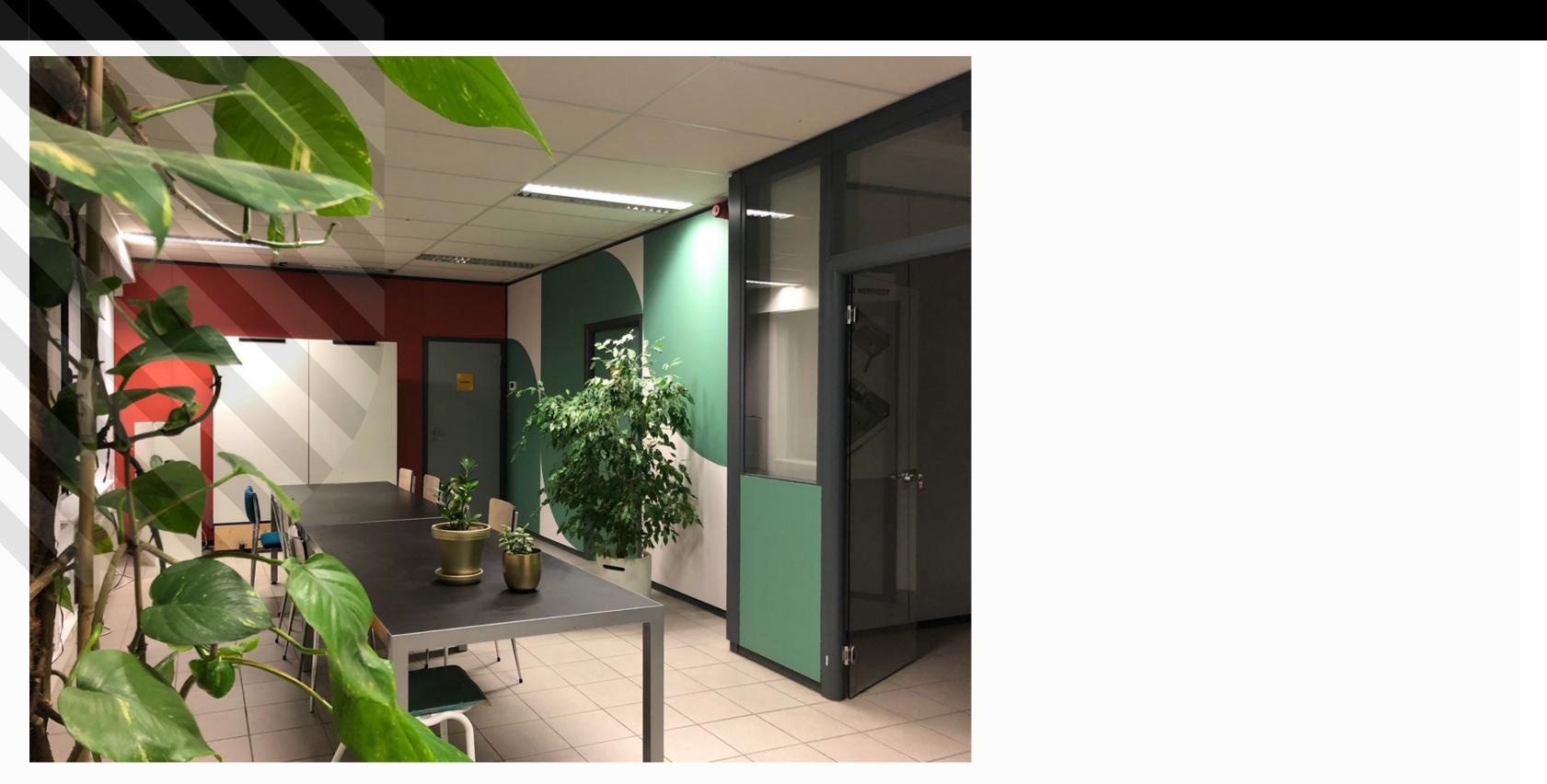




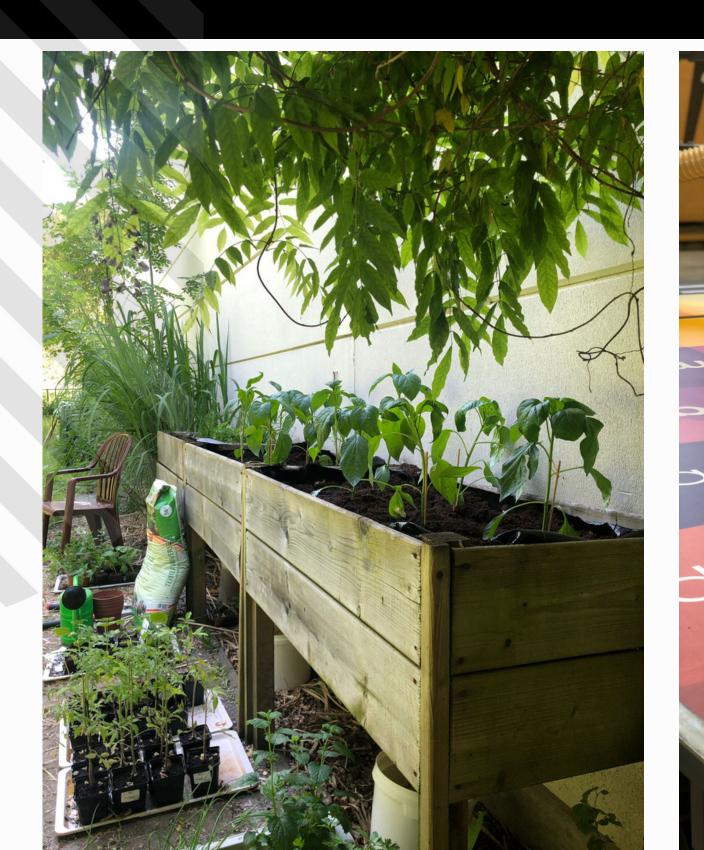


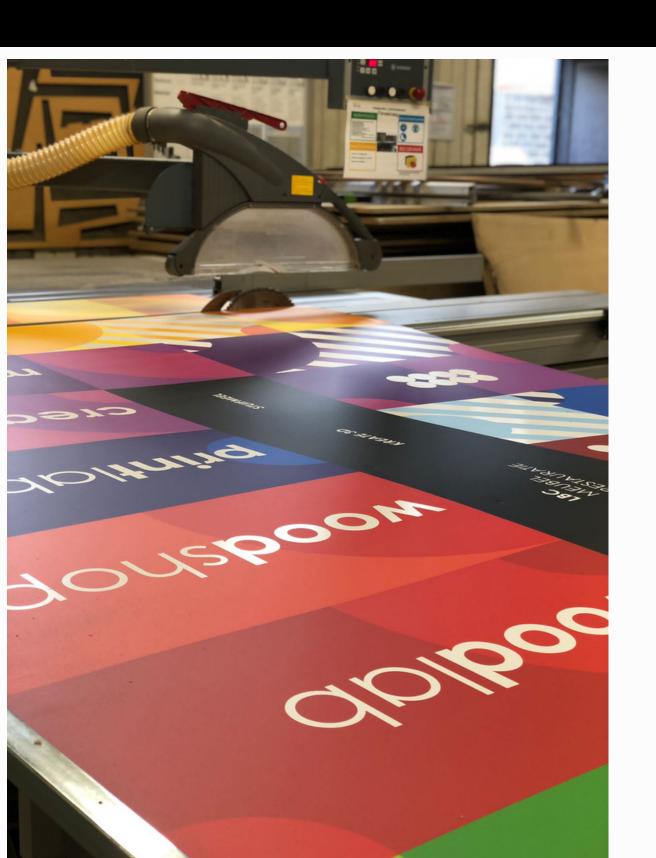








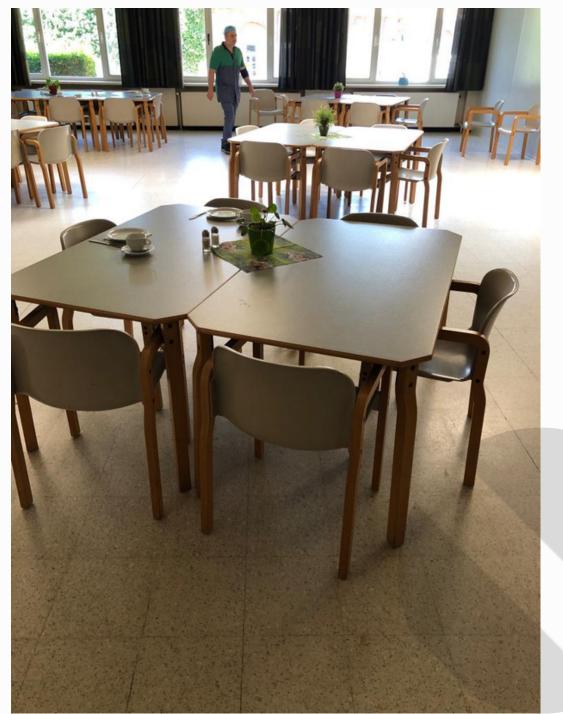










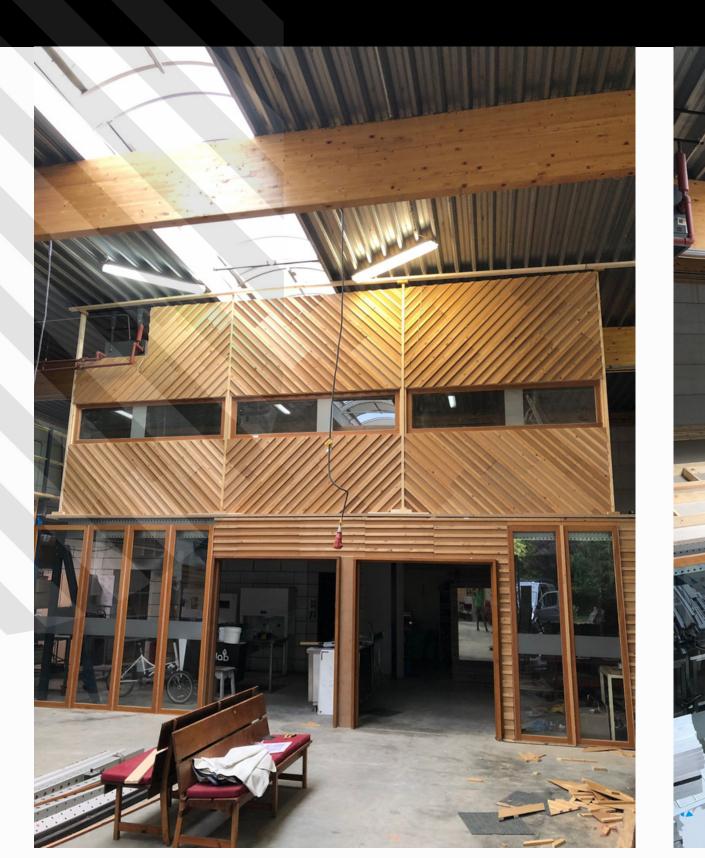


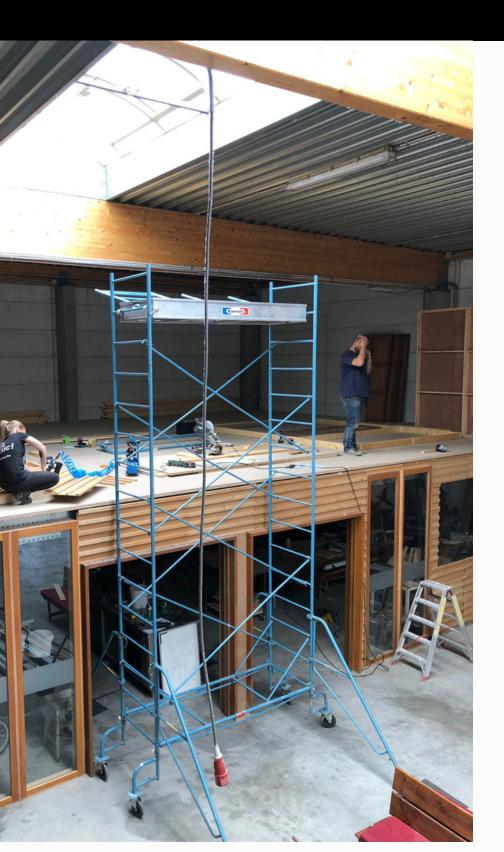






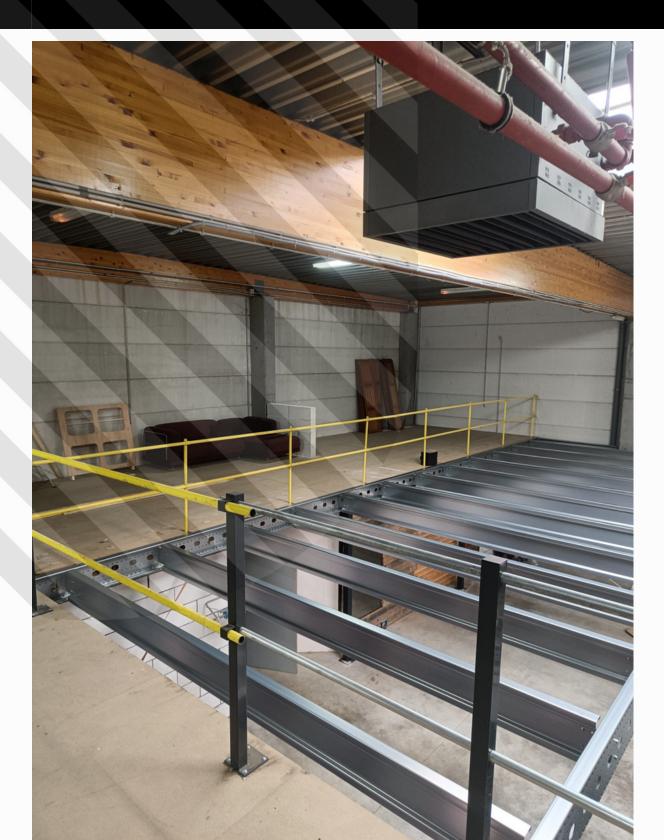






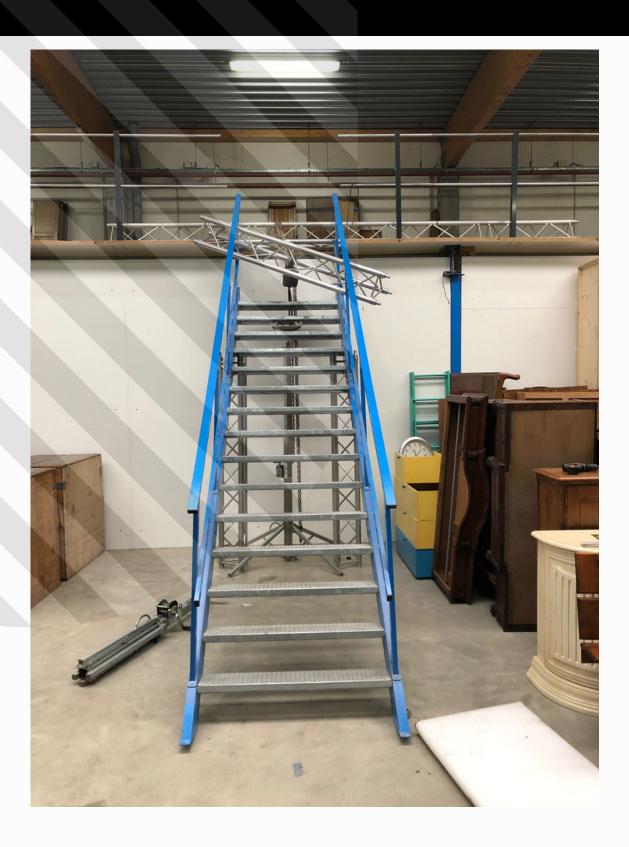


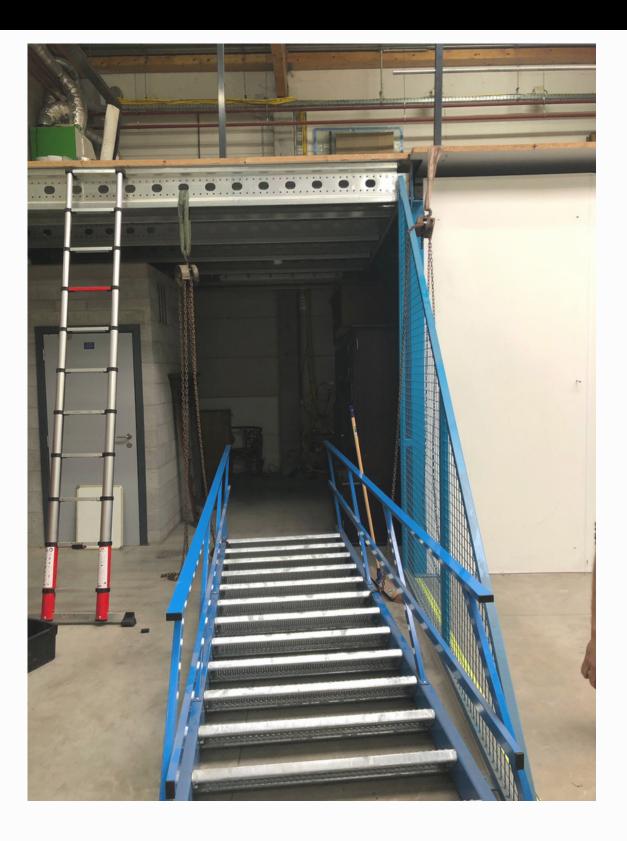






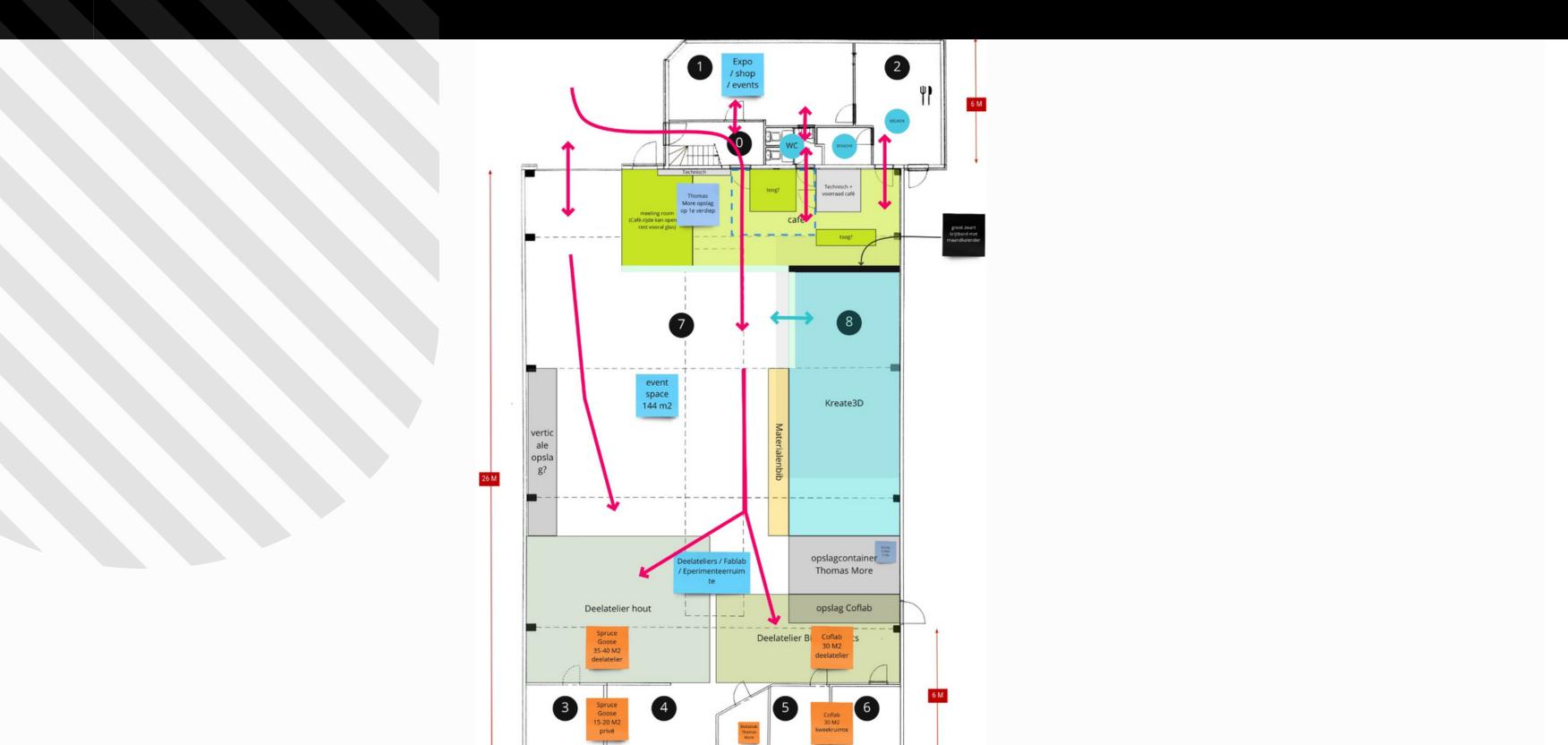






















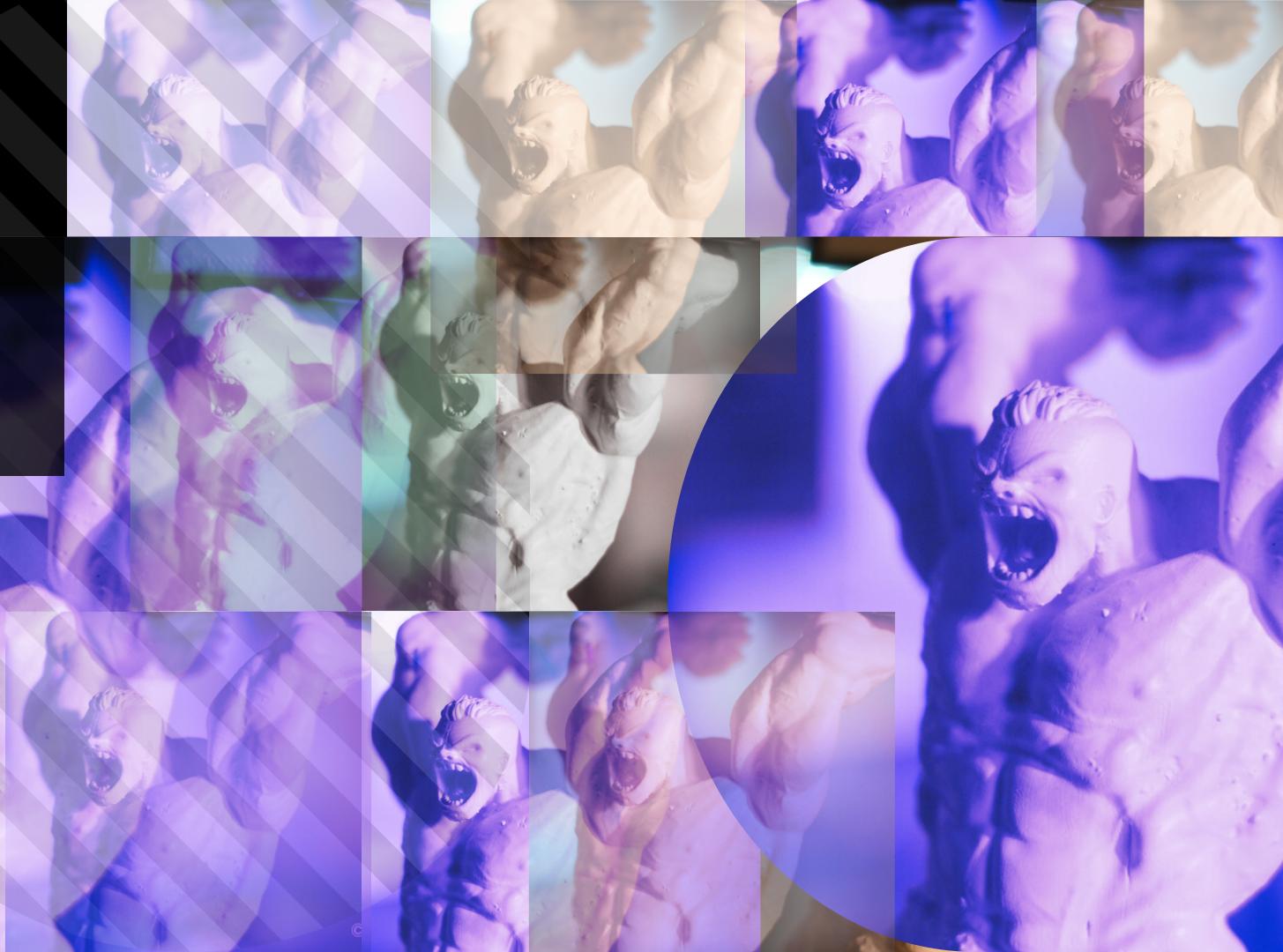
Let's get in touch!

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Klimaan cvso

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Energy cooperative originated from the Klimaan citizen movement to realize concrete, profitable and sustainable projects with citizen participation.



INVESTEER MEE

Burgers in beweging coop.klimaan.be





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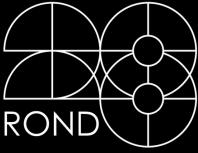
ENERGIE-BESPARING





WINDTURBINE

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SPRUCE GOOSE

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Value creation using **residual wood** flows.



COFLAB

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Biofablablab and **circular oyster mushroom farm** based on locally collected coffee grit

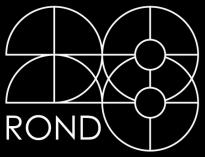


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STUIFMEEL VZW

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Transformative journeys towards planet's well-being.

- Nature-based art explorations for biodiversity, human well-being and transformative change.
- Little Impact Shapers workshops
- Art thinking workshops for Government & Organisations



KREATE 3D

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3D Custom print Design and production



welcome



We make people grow and set things into motion

- Social profit organisation
- Government-subsidised
- 260 FTE (187 payroll)
- Large diversity in jobs & workspaces
- Local, regional and innovative
- Social and circular economy







• 9 secondhand shops Cirkels

Willebroek, Mechelen (3), Reet, Schelle, Londerzeel, Sint-Katelijne-Waver, Niel/Boom wijzijncirkels.be

- Focus on re-use target of 8 kg per inhabitant / year
- Textile sorting center in Niel to recycle cloths and fabrics for re-use and remanufactoring reclaimed fabrics









Bicycle repair service & shop for second-hand bikes

Bicycle rental and maintenance

ecoso.be/fietsatelier-mechelen



 Shop for former lease e-bikes <u>e-bis.be</u>

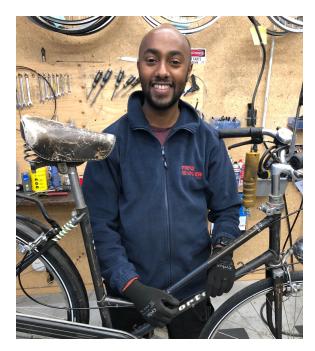


circulair mensenwerk

• Cleaning train station area Small repair services & Maintanance Blue bike

mechelen.be/fietsers/fietspunt







• Social distribution platform Foodsavers

Hub between food donators and social aid organisations

ecoso.be/realisaties/foodsavers



• Social grocery shop La Luna

mechelen.be/foodsavers-sociale-kruidenier







CAMP CAMP

• Recycle project in cooperation with Tomorrowland

Management of a sustainable campsite during the festival of TML re-using camping gear from previous years

Pop-up sales camping gear

camp2camp.be/Home/Campings







Collaborations & circular sustainable goals

Collaboration is fundamental to ECOSO's approach. By partnering with local communities, government agencies, businesses, and other non-profit organizations, we can leverage resources and expertise to maximize its impact.

Through these collaborative efforts, we aim to create innovative solutions to complex social and environmental challenges.

Overall, ECOSO plays a vital role in promoting sustainability and social & assisted employment in Flanders.

Through our dedication, passion, and commitment to positive change, we continue to inspire individuals and communities to work together towards a more inclusive and eco-friendly society.











Collaborations & circular sustainable goals

• Textile

Regio Greentex is a European project in collaboration with OVAM. Our goal is to keep discarded textiles in Europe upscaling eco-design in collaboration with CILab Mechelen.



• Hardware

Digibanken and Digibankatelier aim to reduce the risk of digital exclusion by focusing on increasing the availability of laptops and other hardware, strengthening digital skills and increasing digital access to essential services by giving guidance to citizens. This is a Flemish project in collaboration the city of Mechelen.

Glasses

Refaced's circular model is to collect used glasses in collaboration with secondhand shops like Cirkels and Kringwinkel Antwerpen .

Almost everything about the frame of glasses can be re-used or recycled. Clients can buy customised glasses at very budget-friendly prices in the shop-in-shops of Cirkels and Kringwinkel Antwerpen or at Den Brillenatelier.







CIRCULAR & HUMAN WORK What characterises Ecoso

+ We give chances, chances, ...

+ Customisation in terms of job content, participation, rotation, coaching ...

+ Double loop learning

+ Transparancy



= We have a big heart for our employees

- + Out of the box mindset
- + Innovative
- + Seeing opportunities
- + Collaboration & networking
- + Hounest



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= What you see is what you get

CIRCULAR & HUMAN WORK Focus on learning and development

- Learning needs analysis at organisational, team, and individual level which leads to a training plan at all levels
- Intensive onboarding and coaching programme
- Everyone receives the same training & development opportunities
- Being allowed and able to participate safely is essential for learning & development, not the other way around
- Self-reflection as a goal on itself on all levels



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The hub for local, social & circular collaboration