



# WMRIG

Western Cape

THE WASTE MINIMISATION AND  
RECYCLING INTEREST GROUP



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### Newsletter - March 2016

#### **WMRIG Seminar: Thermal technologies in the waste economy: 7 April: 8.30am -1.30pm**



Participants hear about the pyrolysis plant funded by the Japanese-government sited at the Kraaifontein MRF.



Please join in our next event on the 7th April 8:30am - 1:00pm where the question "Do thermal technologies have a role to play in the South African waste economy?" will be under the spotlight. This follows the well-attended IWMSA event at the Kraaifontein Waste Management Facility's new Pyrolysis Plant which drew 85 people from industry and government. To reserve your place, contact Linda Campbell on [westerncape@iwmsa.co.za](mailto:westerncape@iwmsa.co.za).

#### **'Landfill Harmonic' opens CT Eco-Film Festival**

Musicians in the Recycled Orchestra of Cateura, a Paraguayan musical group, play instruments made entirely out of garbage. When their story goes viral, the orchestra is catapulted into the global spotlight. However, natural disaster strikes, so they must find a way to keep the orchestra intact and a source of hope for their town.

The film is a testament to the transformative power of music and the resilience of the human spirit. 31 March 2016, 18.15pm. Also on

Saturday 2 April 2016, 12:00pm. To reserve tickets at The Labia Theatre, 021 424 5927, or [Webtickets.co.za](http://Webtickets.co.za).



#### **Share your burning research questions and challenges**



WMRIG is looking to link up with research institutions and students to investigate key issues in our industry. We invite all members to share in pinpointing your burning questions and challenges in growing the waste and recycling industries. Send them in to our chairperson Kirsten Barnes on [kirsten@greencape.co.za](mailto:kirsten@greencape.co.za)

## SATMC calls for review of REDISA governance structures



The 2016 Budget includes steps for the replacement of the existing funding model for tyre waste management by October 1. The South African Tyre Manufacturers Conference (SATMC) said there also a need to review representation by government and the tyre manufacturing industry within the Redisa governance structures.

“The SATMC is unable to assess whether funds paid by the industry has enabled the fulfilment of the Redisa-legislated mandate and our industry’s obligation to meet certain waste tyre management and recycling obligations,” their spokesperson said. SATMC would now engage with the National Treasury and Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan on these and related issues. More at: [http://www.engineeringnews.co.za/article/tyre-industry-body-to-engage-treasury-post-positive-budget-2016-03-07/rep\\_id:3182](http://www.engineeringnews.co.za/article/tyre-industry-body-to-engage-treasury-post-positive-budget-2016-03-07/rep_id:3182)

## WMRIG Narrative Report

Read about the good work that your WMRIG has achieved over the past year. Download a review of the group’s activities in the latest annual narrative report by emailing a request to Linda at [westerncape@iwmsa.co.za](mailto:westerncape@iwmsa.co.za)

## Sustainable Brands Cape Town-14-17May 2016



The biggest and best gathering of sustainable marketing communications practitioners. First in the US, then in UK and Europe, now in Cape Town. On 14 May, PETCO and PackagingSA will host a three hour session on product stewardship “where everyone involved in the lifespan of the product is called upon to take an active role to reduce its impacts.” Facilitated by Janine Basson of Petco. More at: <http://events.sustainablebrands.com/sb16ct/programme-overview/>

## Be the change you want to see in the world !

WMRIG Western Cape is seeking corporate sponsors to partner in our aim to “discover, inspire together – a world without waste”. For R3500 per year your company will benefit by being associated with this active local industry network. Contact Tom McLaughlin on 021 407 2484 or email [TomMcLaughlin@woolworths.co.za](mailto:TomMcLaughlin@woolworths.co.za) to learn more.



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