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THE PLACE OF CIRCULAR ECONOMY IN TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES

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Development can no longer be understood without taking into account the dimensions of sustainability, such as climate change, the loss of biodiversity or soil erosion and the depletion of natural resources. But how can the slogan "Think global and act local" be made concrete? How can we really act at the local level? In this context, the circular economy appears to be a credible solution, because it spares as much as possible the objectives of sustainable development and the preservation of the planet. In a way, it makes it possible both to setup production activities and therefore to maintain or develop jobs at the local level, and also to limit the use and transport of resources, thanks to a system of control of uses and recycling of materials, which remains virtuous in environmental terms, because they are grounded and territorially based.

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André Torre is Distinguished Professor of Economics, University Paris-Saclay, INRAE, AgroParistech. His research was for a long time at the crossroads of spatial and industrial economics. It has now become more multi-disciplinary and increasingly focused on questions related to territorial development processes and land use planning. He has published several articles and 25 books, mostly on issues related to spatial coordination between people or groups of people. His research currently focuses on the analysis of proximity relations and on their importance in processes of territorial development. It centers on three main areas: local interactions between innovative firms and organizations; land use, urban-rural and political conflicts; local dimensions of circular economy.



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