MERIT CRITERIA – STAGE I

Project concept evaluation criteria	Score	
1. Compliance of the project with the assumptions of circular economy *		
Justification of the scope of the project in the light of the EU and the national strategic documents**- the need for project implementation is consistent with EU and national documents in the area of circular economy, the proposed activities are consistent with the assumptions of circular economy. *definition of circular economy (based on the Roadmap for the transition to a circular economy been explained in the applicant's manual. **e.g. the circular economy package: Closing the loop - An EU action plan for the Circular Report on the implementation of the Circular Economy Action Plan etc., Roadmap for the a circular economy.	ar Economy,	
2. Feasibility and probability of the project implementation (project over	erall logic)	
Diagnosis of needs based on current data - the results of the diagnosis indicate the existence of a problem. Determination of the project objective and alternative possible ways of solving the problem - a description of the main objective of the project has been presented and the proper method/s has/have been chosen, adequately justifying the way of achieving the assumed objective. Appropriateness/adequacy of the proposed activities - the activities form a logical and coherent whole, are appropriate for achieving the results and the assumed ecological effect of the project. Project budget and schedule - the financial plan has been realistically estimated and corresponds to the values set out in the call for proposals, the project is possible to implement within the proposed time period. Indicators - the choice of indicators is justified, it results from the material scope of the project, the achievement of target values is realistic in the light of planned project activities.	0 - 10	
3. Potential scale of project impact		
Dissemination of solutions used in the project. Possibility for the applicant to disseminate the activities and solutions planned in the project among the identified target group(s).	0 - 10	
4. Project impact on raw materials criterion		
Reducing the consumption of raw materials - the implemented solution(s) will contribute to: - increase the amount of raw materials that can be reused; or - reduce the amount of raw materials used by the entity in processes directly related to its activities; or - reduction of the amount of raw materials remaining from the processes related to the entity's activity.	0 - 10	
Quantitative and qualitative assessment considering both the scale of environmental impact and cost-effectiveness of proposed solutions. The effects caused by the project on entities other than applicant shall also be considered.		

5. Project educational activities	
Information and education activities - the target group(s) has/have been identified and	0 - 10
the planned activities are relevant to its/their needs, ensuring that the target group(s) is/are	
effectively reached and are linked to the other activities included in the project	
TOTAL	0 - 50

The minimum score in criteria 1 and 2 qualifying the project concept for the subsequent proceeding is 1.