

The 10 RS for a sustainable circular economy are opportunities to rethink your processes and materials, reduce costs, and create products and business models for your future.

1. Refuse



Avoid the use of unnecessary resources or materials. This can be achieved by not producing or consuming items that are harmful or not needed.



2. Rethink



Reconsider the way products are designed, used, and consumed. This involves questioning current systems and coming up with innovative solutions that are more sustainable.



3. Reduce



Minimize the amount of resources and energy consumed in the production and use of goods. This can be achieved through efficient design, manufacturing, and consumption practices.



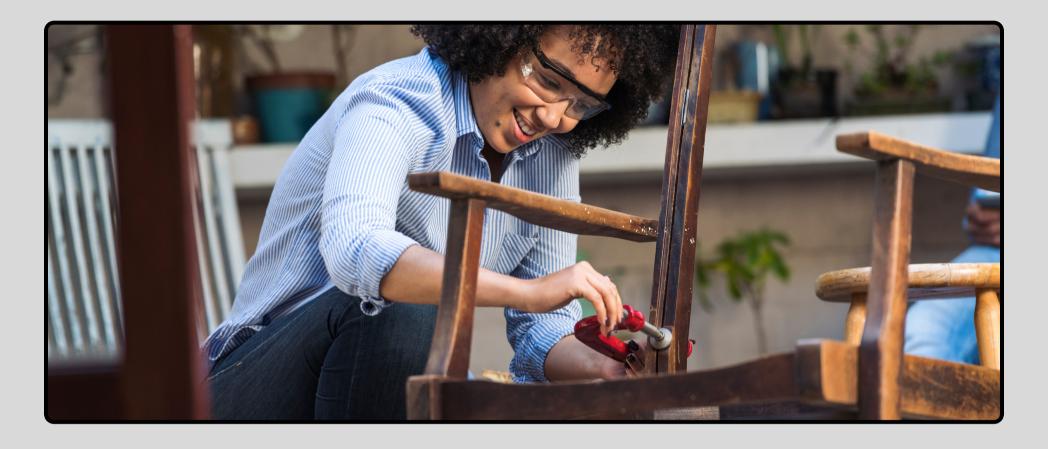
4. Reuse



Use products or components multiple times for the same purpose.



5. Repair



Fix broken or worn-out products or components to extend their lifespan, rather than discarding them.



6. Refurbish



Restore old or used products to a good condition, often improving their functionality or appearance in the process.



7. Remanufacture



Take apart used products and use the components to make new products. This often involves restoring parts to their original quality and specifications.



8. Repurpose



Alter or adapt products to serve a different function than they were originally designed for.



9. Recycle



Convert waste materials into new materials or products. This is often the most commonly known 'R', but it's important to note that recycling should be **a last resort** after all other options have been exhausted.

10. Recover



Extract or recover energy from waste materials that cannot be reused, refurbished, or recycled. This can be done through methods like incineration for energy recovery.



Use these approaches to rethink your current doing and create new products and business models.

I help you find sustainable customer-focused ideas and business models that align with your organization so that you can confidently bring them to market!

