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### **OVERVIEW**

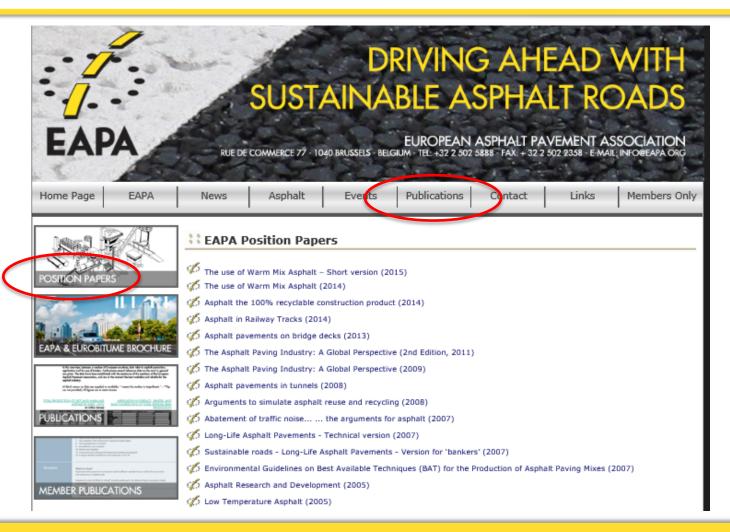
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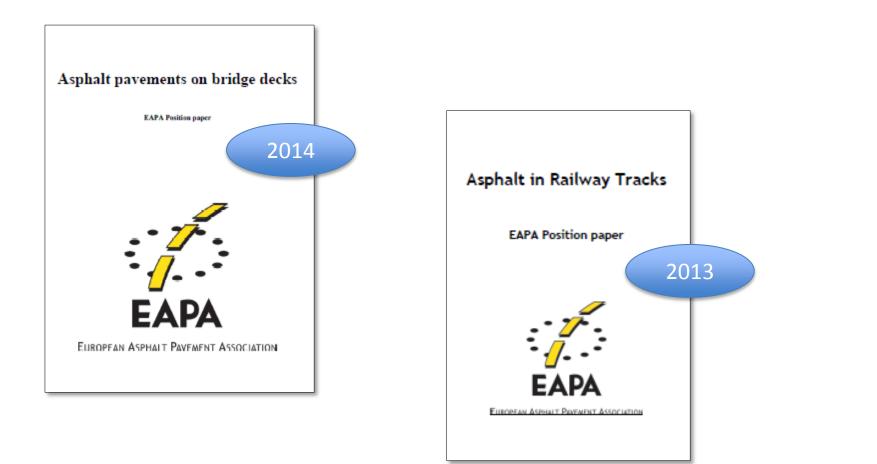
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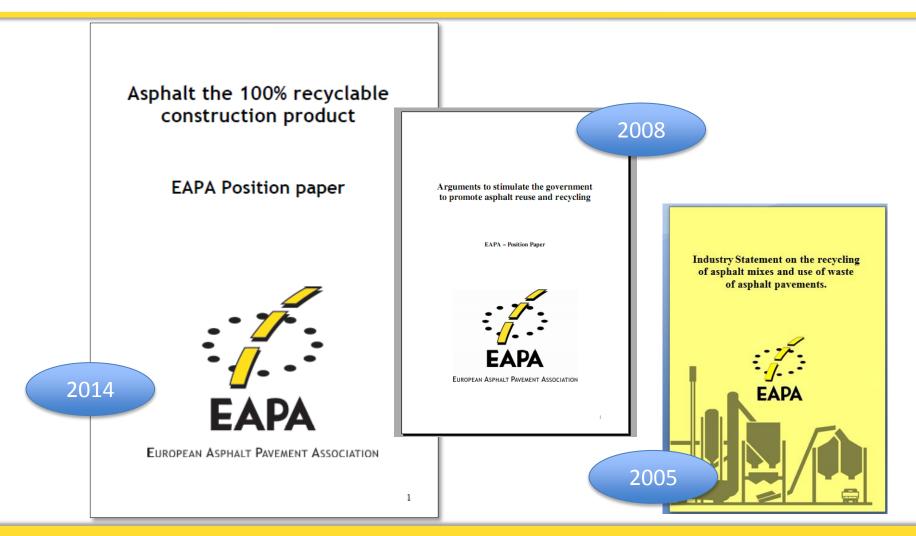


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- In-situ Processes Recycling roads
  - repave, remix, retread
- Ex-situ Processes Recycling materials
  - Ex situ processes are employed when asphalt materials are excavated from the road and transported (even short distances) to processing units or plants in order to be used as an ingredient (raw material) in fresh/new asphalt mixtures
- Processes in stationary asphalt mixing plants
  - Cold recycling, Batch mixing or drum mixer plant (hot) re-use
  - For high percentages of re-use: Plant with parallel drum (hot) re-use
  - For Details go to EAPA website: EAPA Position Papers and Presentation A. Täube on "Asphalt recycling- Recycling practice in the European Asphalt Industry" at EAPA Symposium 2015



- The industry strongly supports Asphalt Recycling
  - Increasing of the re-use of RA
  - Re-use of RA at the highest possible level
- European Standards
  - allow / give the possibility to use RA in the asphalt mixtures, there is a European standard for RA: EN 13108-8

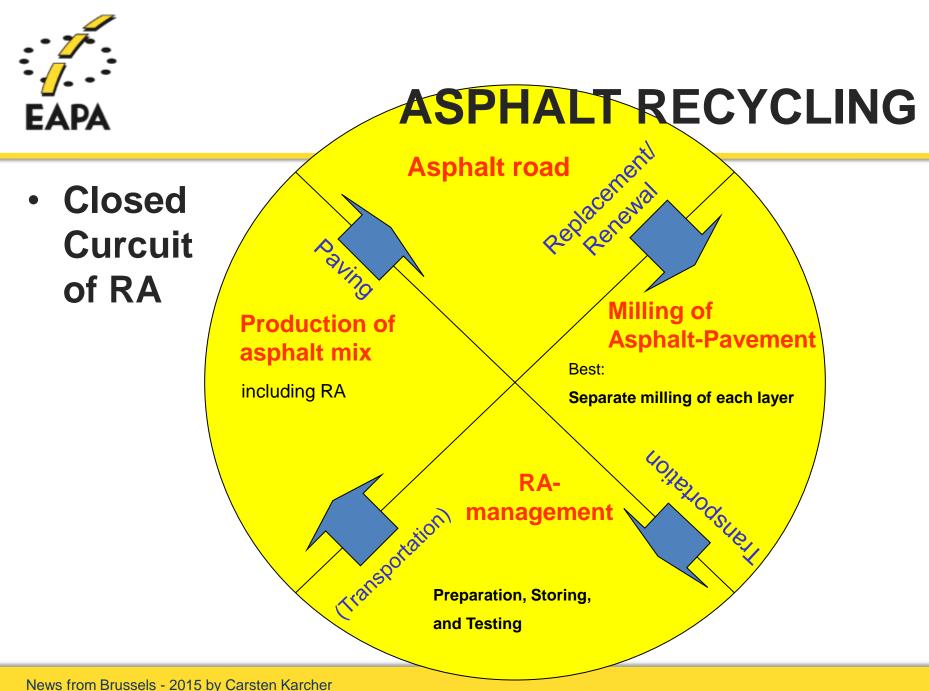
#### • European Commission

- Circular Economy
- CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions reduction
- Green Public Procurement





- EC Directive 2008/98/EC hierarchy on waste (Waste Framework Directive) shall apply
  - (a) prevention;
  - (b) preparing for re-use;
  - (c) recycling;
  - (d) other recovery, e.g. energy recovery; and
  - (e) disposal.
  - 're-use' means any operation by which products or components that are not waste are used again for the same purpose for which they were conceived;
  - 'recycling' means any recovery operation by which waste materials are reprocessed into products, materials or substances whether for the original or other purposes.



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- Examples for the technical progress in the last few years
  - Selective recovery and storage of RA
  - Screening and sieving of RA
  - Selective feeding of RA
  - Dry storage of RA
  - Use of parallel drum for gentle heating of RA







Country	Available reclaimed asphalt (tonnes)	% of available reclaimed asphalt used in			
2013		hot and warm recycling	half warm recycling	cold recycling	unbound layers
Austria	750.000	95		3	2
Belgium	1.500.000	61	No data	No data	No data
Czech Republic	1.450.000	18	0	25	20
Denmark	790.000	83			17
Finland	860.000				
France	6.900.000	04	No data	No data	No data
Germany	11.500.000	90			10
Greece	No data				
Great Britain	4.000.000-5.000.000				
Hungary	88.000	80	0	10	10
Iceland	15.000				
Ireland	150.000				
Italy	10.000.000	20			
Luxembourg	300.000	90	0	10	0
Netherlands	4.500.000	76			
Norway	686.268	21	0	5	74
Romania	22.000	20	20	20	30
Slovakia	26.000		· · · · · · ·		5
Slovenia	26.000	In total: >85% recycled in Europe			54
Spain	205.000				30 years 8
Sweden	900.000	of experience and re-use rates of >90%			10
Switzerland	1.370.000	Of e	experience and re-l	use rates of >90%	8
Turkey	1.200.000	3		1	96



• It may even be possible to remix up to 100% RA

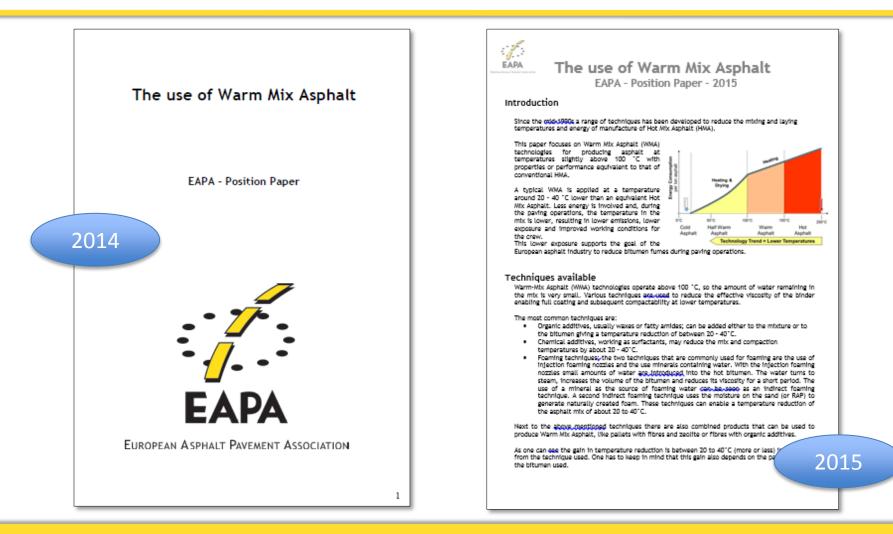




- Summary and Conclusions
  - Asphalt is 100% re-usable / recyclable
  - Re-use / recycling is important
  - RA covered by European Standard EN 13108-8
  - Road authorities can stimulate re-use and recycling
  - They are the road-owner = product-owner of RA (and also responsible for it)
  - Tender documents should give possibilities to re-use RA
  - Legislation can stimulate re-use / recycling, End of Waste criteria



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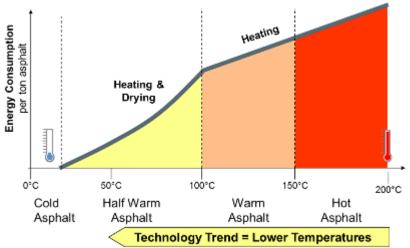


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## WHAT IS WMA?

- WMA is a procedure not a product
  - Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA), Half-Warm Mix, Cold Mixes
  - In recent years, up to 45 different WMA techniques have been developed, WMA is a specific procedure and not a product.
  - Procedures allow the production and paving 20 to 40 °C lower (or even more) than traditional hot-mix asphalt.
  - Low Temperature Asphalt (LTA)
    or Temperature Reduced Asphalt
  - "Bituminous mixtures" standard (EN 13108-1 to -7) can be applied no minimum temperature given





## WHAT IS WMA?

- General techniques to produce WMA
  - Organic additives
  - Chemical additives
  - Foaming techniques
    - Using mineral additives
    - Using water-based mechanical systems
  - Combined products for WMA like pallets with fibres and zeolite or fibres with organic additives



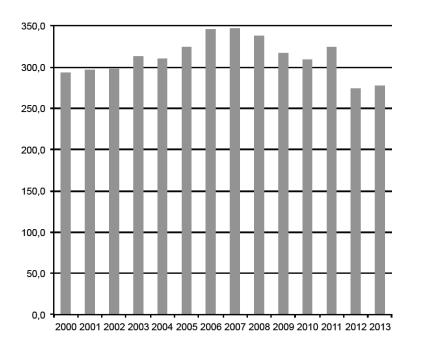
## WHY USING WMA?

- The use of WMA is beneficial with respect to
  - Asphalt workers:
    - reduced exposure to fumes and odours and a cooler working environment
  - Environment:
    - less energy needed and less emissions, Carbon Footprint / environmental aspects will become more important
  - Economic issues:
    - Less fuel needed at asphalt mixing plant
  - Paving operations:
    - better workability, extending the construction season and earlier opening of the road, reduced ageing of the bitumen during the production stage



## **STATISTICS WMA**

• Production Figures in Europe and US



Total Production of Hot and Warm Mix Asphalt in Europe in million tonnes [from: Asphalt in Figures, EAPA 2014]







## **APPLICATION OF WMA**

- Czech Republic
  - Experiences with WMA technology are available and in some tunnel projects WMA had been obligatory (e.g. the tunnel Blanka in Prague)
  - In 2012 the Czech Ministry of Transport has published preliminary national specifications for WMA (TP 238). This specification is also valid for mastic asphalt.





WMA by use of the chemical additive Evotherm 6 km – 3 asphalt layers

35 mm SMA 85 mm binder course 20 mm thin asphalt layer All with highly modified SBS bitumen 30 °C reduction in production temperature.





#### **SUMMARY WMA**

- Many techniques available
- No limitations for the use in the European asphalt standards
- The use is growing in many European countries and industry becomes more and more experienced
- The overall experiences with the material show equivalent performance and durability compared with Hot Mix Asphalt.
- Many advantages: WMA is the future
- For more details check the EAPA Position Papers

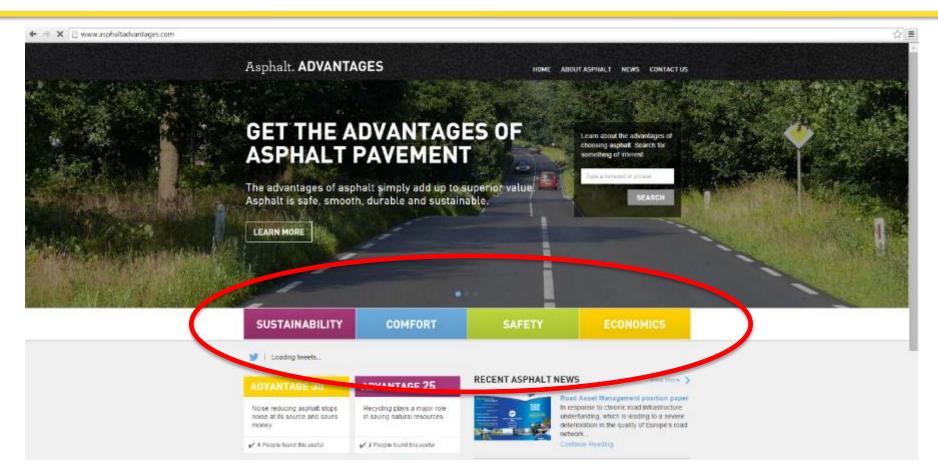


- Communication is important
- Raise awareness to get better image
  - We have to inform people about the importance of roads
  - We have to inform people about the benefits that asphalt roads bring to their everyday life
  - We have to inform politicians and stakeholders about it
  - And especially road users
- If they do not hear our message, they do not realise the role of asphalt roads in their lives



#### Asphalt. ADVANTAGES





#### **4 Themes for the Asphalt Advantages**

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#### SUSTAINABILITY

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reduced.

2	Hot Mix Asphalt protects the environment by providing impermeable caps for abandoned landfills and deposits of hazardous materials.				
	Learn More				
6	Asphalt payements require about 20% less energy to produce and construction other pavements.				
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2	Aspbalt is 100% recyclable				
3	Learn More				
5	Up to 100% reclaimen apphalt is re-used in high quality asphalt.				
J	Learn More				
6	Bituminous asphalt pavements with intrinsic visco-elastic properties can several times be re- used at the highest performance level, even in new asphalt roads having the same performance level.				
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8	Asphalt is the quiet pavement.				
	Leam More				
5	Recycling plays a major role in saving natural resources				
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9	Only the necessary pavement thickness depending on traffic and the climate must be applied to get a durable, cost-effective and sustainable road.				
-	Learn More				
0	Asphalt is used in domestic water reservoirs, fish rearing ponds, and canal liners.				
U	Learn More				
4	Recent research in the Netherlands showed the potential of asphalt pavements to reduce rolling resistance and depending on that reducing fuel consumption				
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#### ADVANTAGE 15

#### UP TO 100% RECLAIMED ASPHALT IS RE-USED IN HIGH QUALITY ASPHALT

A major advantage of asphalt is its ability to be recycled back into asphalt. Other materials used in road construction can also be recycled, but only into another product: for example, concrete is recycled as an aggregate substitute. In Germany and The Netherlands the percentage of reclaimed asphalt being re-used in asphalt again is now at 87% and 95% respectively, which is an astonishing record!

Essential maintenance frequently requires replacement only of the topmost layer of the road. Higher-grade surface material can be reused in situ by being planned off, treated and re-laid during maintenance reducing energy costs to a minimum (no transport, no storage, no reproduction, no transport to jobsite again)

#### From: EAPA publications and position papers:

#### EAPA asphalt in figures:

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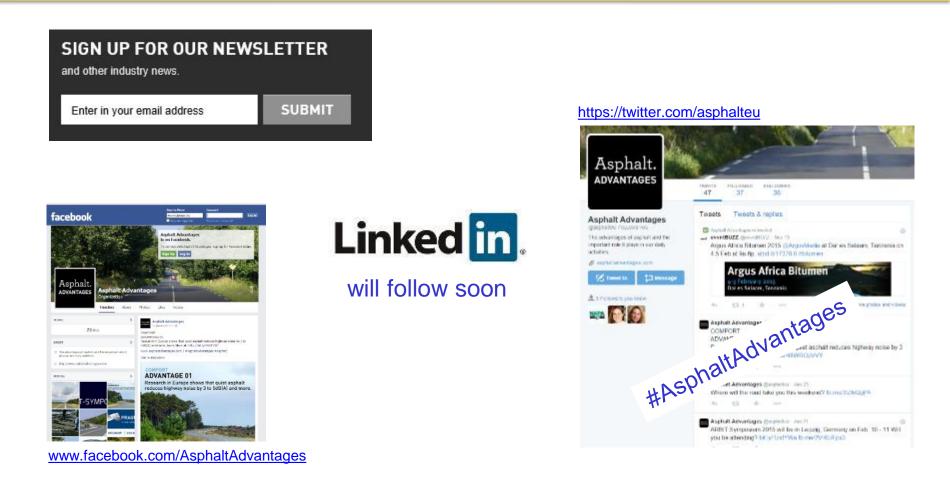
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