



BS 8001:2017

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for the circular economy

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BSI has launched a ground-breaking standard on the circular economy: **BS 8001: 2017 - Framework for implementing the principles of the circular economy in organizations – guide.**

The 'circular economy' is a concept which challenges organizations to re-think how they manage their resources to create financial, environmental and social benefits. BS 8001 outlines guiding principles for organizations and individuals to consider and implement more sustainable practices.

### What is this standard about?

In contrast to the 'take, make, dispose' model of the linear economy – the circular economy concept looks for materials to be repeatedly recovered and reused for as long as possible. The standard provides a practical framework which:

- Standardizes the use of terms
- Helps businesses identify their potential role
- Provides clarity and direction on key issues

### Who is this standard for?

This standard can be used by any organization, regardless of sector, size, location or type.

### Why should you use this standard?

The standard provides:

- Guidance and recommendations that will help an organization turn the concept and theory of the circular economy into practical action
- Guidance on the key factors organizations will need to consider

This new standard is available at a special price from the BSI Shop and a **free-to-download BS 8001 Executive Briefing** has also been produced aimed at senior-level decision makers.

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