

## **BIODEGRADABILITY SENSE OR NONSENSE**

Biodegradability is repeatedly discussed as a possible form of disposal procedure of special products. But what is biodegradability and how is it defined?

In this presentation, various possibilities of degradability are discussed and standards are briefly presented, which are used to investigate the degradability of substances. This form of disposal is then considered in a holistic sense, taking into account circular economy legislation as well as various directives and laws. It also takes into account different statements made by market participants involved in this form of disposal. At the same time, it also points out the dangers that can arise very quickly for people and the environment. The form of public discussion on this disposal route is also taken into account.

In the final conclusion it will be shown where the alternatives can be found in the sense of an ecological variant and how a cradle to cradle can actually be implemented.