



## General

- The European Commission presented the [European Green Deal](#) proposal ([communication + roadmap](#)) on 11 December 2019.
- The European Council of [12 December 2019](#) confirmed the principle of climate neutrality.
- The European Parliament on 15 January 2020 adopted [a resolution](#) supporting the Green Deal by a large majority.
- The roadmap accompanying the Commission's communication gives an indicative timing of the expected initiatives.
- The Commission has published the [work programme for 2022](#).

## Current affairs

- The [Stockholm+50](#) conference will take place on 2 and 3 June.
- Comments on Russia's energy dependence and accelerating the energy transition: [Chloé Mikolajczak](#), [Power Technology](#), [Climate Home News](#).
- Comments on RePowerEU: [Glass for Europe](#), [CAN Europe](#), [Linklaters](#), [Social Europe](#), [Cycling Industries](#), [CEO](#), [RGI](#), [Susi Dennison](#).
- How the EU wants to end its dependence on Russian fossil fuels. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- The [Commission and the IEA](#) are making a joint effort to reduce the EU's dependence on Russian fossil fuels.
- There is a special meeting of the [European Council](#) on 30 and 31 May. ([Politico](#), [Euractiv](#), [CAN Europe](#), [Politico](#), [Politico](#))
- Sharp fall in methane now could help avert worst climate crisis. ([The Guardian](#))
- Egypt says climate finance must be top of agenda at COP27 talks ([The Guardian](#), [WEF](#), [EuroNews](#))
- 200 million displaced by storms in next 20 years - what awaits us in Europe? ([EuroNews](#))
- CBAM, climate impact and competitiveness. A [briefing](#).
- Solar energy that usually escapes the Earth at night can now be captured, scientists say. ([EuroNews](#))
- Campaigners hail 'historic breakthrough' on revised EU biomass rules. ([Euractiv](#))

- Commission launches consultations on regulatory framework for renewable hydrogen. ([Commission](#), [Euractiv](#), [Transport & Environment](#), [Corinna Klessmann](#), [Felix von Blücher](#) and [Malte Gephart](#))
- Fit for 55: EU framework to decarbonise gas markets and to promote hydrogen. A [briefing](#).
- The battle for dominance of heat pump markets reaches Europe. ([Euractiv](#))
- Integration of heat pumps in buildings and district heating systems - Assessment at building and energy system level. An [article](#).
- [SMEunited](#) on the recast of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD).
- Are there viable insulation alternatives to green building? ([Construction21](#))
- A framework to discover and assess the climate change potential of cities. An [article](#).
- EU steps up efforts for strategic autonomy in raw materials ([Euractiv](#))
- Different mentality needed on domestic raw material mining, says EU body. ([Euractiv](#))
- Why the circular economy is the business opportunity of our time. ([WEF](#))
- The politics of market change towards sustainability: A review of Germany's renewable energy policy framework. An [article](#).
- 3 ways we can work better together for a stronger circular economy. ([WEF](#))
- We need compostable packaging, but it is still single-use. ([Ellen MacArthur Foundation](#))
- Car-sharing research and innovation in Europe. A [report](#) from JRC.
- Toxic particles from brakes to be included in "Euro 7" emission rules. ([Euractiv](#))
- NGOs call on EU to refuse LNG trucks in AFIR. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- The road ahead to be Fit for 55 ([Raluca Marian](#))
- Platform workers: French presidency sticks to criteria approach. ([Euractiv](#))
- The EU digital market. What do people in think tanks think? An [overview](#).
- Three priorities to accelerate industry decarbonisation. ([WEF](#))
- Economic policies for a green and equitable transition. ([HBS](#))
- Towards a socially just green transition in the EU? An analysis of the Just Transition Fund. An [article](#).
- The Commission presented the Spring Package of the European semester. ([Commissie](#), [CAN Europe](#), [RREUSE](#))
- Improving the quality of public spending in Europe - Green transformation policies. A [briefing](#).
- New report concludes that recovery from global shocks requires cooperation between countries and companies. ([LSE](#))
- Why ESG reporting must balance 'purpose and profit' for real impact. ([WEF](#))
- EU needs to put oil, gas and mining companies in the spotlight. ([Elisa Peter](#) and [Robert Pitman](#))
- For a stronger EU sustainability due diligence directive. ([E3G](#))
- Align the EU green taxonomy with the new geopolitical realities. ([E3G](#))
- [ECOS](#) on taxonomy.
- Finance for Europe's low carbon transition. ([E3G](#))
- Money and action are needed to avert a biodiversity crisis. ([Nature](#))
- Two years after the publication of the EU Biodiversity Strategy to 2030, [IEEP](#) takes stock of the implementation of the targets and commitments and the progress made since.
- The EU is eating the world. So says a [new WWF report](#).
- Green Deal is not dead, says Czech Agriculture Minister ahead of EU presidency. ([Euractiv](#))
- European fruits with traces of most toxic pesticides "up 53% in nine years". ([PAN](#), [The Guardian](#), [EuroNews](#))
- Food and energy billionaires \$453 billion richer than two years ago, says Oxfam. ([Oxfam](#), [The Guardian](#))
- New report exposes intentional use of microplastics on food crops. ([CIEL](#))

- How has the EU progressed towards the SDGs? ([Eurostat](#))
- The EU's global crisis response: from eurocentrism to stronger international partnerships? ([ETTg](#))

## Activities

- 2022-05-30 – 2022-06-05 | [EU Green Week](#)
- 2022-05-31 | Hybrid | [European EnerGreenDeal Conference](#)
- 2022-05-31 | Online | [RE-VALUE- Realizing circularity in the tech industry](#)
- 2022-05-31 | Hybrid | [Halting biodiversity loss through the circular economy](#)
- 2022-05-31 | Hybrid | [Advancing circular trade: Next steps for the EU and its partners](#)
- 2022-05-31 | Online | [Accelerating renewable energies in Europe: How to ensure a win-win for climate and biodiversity?](#)
- 2022-06-01 | Webinar | [The role of sustainable finance in the Decade of Action](#)
- 2022-06-01 | Hybrid | [Fit for 55: The Road Ahead](#)
- 2022-06-01 | Hybrid | [Towards a Circular Economy: Competences for Youth](#)
- 2022-06-01 | Online | [Environmental law and just transition under the EU Green Deal](#)
- 2022-06-02 | Hybrid | [IRU/EU Conference, Fit for 55: The Road Ahead](#)
- 2022-06-02 | [Green skills in the eyes of European businesses](#)
- 2022-06-02 | Hybrid | [Russia's war in Ukraine: Why doubling down on the Green Deal is the best strategy](#)
- 2022-06-02 | Hybrid | [Decarbonizing energy intensive industries: what are the risks and opportunities for jobs?](#)
- 2022-06-02 – 2022-06-03 | [Stockholm+50](#)
- 2022-06-09 | [The Green Deal as a solution to our crisis-riddled times](#)
- 2022-06-09 – 2022-06-10 | [Civil Society Forum for Sustainability - Shaping the European Green Deal](#)
- 2022-06-09 – 2022-06-12 | [The New European Bauhaus Festival](#)
- 2022-06-10 | Online | [A green recovery: Empty rhetoric or a just transition? - Eurodad's 2022 Conference](#)
- 2022-06-14 | Hybrid | [Climate and Energy Summit](#)
- 2022-06-14 | Hybrid | [Implementing the National Recovery and Resilience Plans](#)
- 2022-06-14 | Online | [Green ICT - How can the digital sector accelerate the green transition?](#)
- 2022-06-15 | Hybrid | [Rethinking our Disposable Society: how to build a circular economy](#)
- 2022-06-16 | Webinar | [Biodiversity: the next big area in green finance](#)
- 2022-06-16 – 2022-06-17 | [European Organic Congress 2022](#)
- 2022-06-21 | Online | [European bioeconomy's role in reaching the EU Green Deal targets](#)
- 2022-06-21 | Hybrid | [Reducing European methane emissions – The potential of EU livestock](#)
- 2022-06-28 | Online | [Shaping the CAP - How to ensure food security and green ambitions in times of crisis](#)
- 2022-06-29 – 2022-06-30 | [A future-proof European Green Deal. Overcoming crises, increasing ambition](#)
- 2022-06-30 | Hybrid | [Global Trends in Climate Litigation](#)
- 2022-06-30 | Webinar | [The potential of European Standards to support the European strategy towards a Green and Sustainable Environment](#)
- 2022-09-26 – 2022-09-30 | Hybrid | [European Sustainable Energy Week](#)
- 2022-10-10 – 2022-10-12 | [The European SDG Summit](#)

- 2022-10-11 – 2022-10-13 | [SBE22Delft Conference: Preparing for the European Renovation Wave](#)
- 2022-10-27 | [Making sense of transitions in an age of crises: A new social contract for a new era](#)
- 2022-11-09 – 2022-11-10 | Hybrid | [Transport Innovation Summit 2022](#)
- 2022-11-29 – 2022-12-02 | [Sustainable Future Summit](#)

### Commission documents

- 2022-06-07 | [Draft general budget](#)
- 2022-06-15 | 2022 Strategic Foresight Report
- 2022-06-22 | [Joint Communication on international ocean governance](#) | [Nature protection package \(tbc\)](#): - Sustainable use of pesticides – revision of the EU rules / - Protecting biodiversity: nature restoration targets
- 2022-07-05 | [A new European innovation agenda](#)
- 2022-07-20 | [Circular Economy Package II](#): Policy framework for bio-based, biodegradable and compostable plastics / - Review of the Packaging and packaging waste directive to reinforce the essential requirements for packaging and establish EU level packaging waste prevention measures and targets / - Review of the Urban Wastewater Treatment directive / - Proposal for a Regulation on substantiating environmental claims using the Product/Organisation Environmental Footprint methods (green claims) | [Development of post-Euro 6/VI emission standards for cars, vans, lorries and buses](#)
- 2022-07-27 | Proposal on implementation of the OECD global agreement on re-allocation of taxing rights



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