



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

- There was a meeting of [energy ministers](#) on Friday 9 September. It is now up to the Commission to develop new proposals, as requested by ministers. Ursula von der Leyen explained the proposals during her 'State of the Union', at the European Parliament on 14 September. There will be another meeting of [energy ministers](#) on 30 September. ([Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Politico](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [EP](#), [State of the Union](#), [EP Briefing](#), [Politico](#), [Politico](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Politico](#), [Politico](#), [Euronews](#), [Euractiv](#), [Commission](#), [EP Briefing](#), [Climate Home News](#), [META](#), [Euronews](#), [Jonas Helseth](#), [Susi Dennison](#), [ETUI](#))
- The debate on energy prices and the electricity market continues: [Bruce Douglas](#), [Christoph Maurer](#), [Ingmar Schlecht](#) and [Lion Hirth](#).
- Global warming of more than 1.5C could lead to 'multiple' tipping points. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- The world is entering "uncharted territory of destruction", according to a climate report. ([The Guardian](#))
- Meeting climate targets: How can EU policies support a just transition? A [report](#).
- The European Parliament voted on a number of key components of the 'Fit for 55' package. ([Niels Fuglsang](#), [EUASE](#), [CAN Europe](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [The Guardian](#), [BirdLife](#), [WWF](#), [Euractiv](#), [EBA](#), [SolarPower Europe](#), [CAN Europe](#))
- Renewable Energy Directive revision: 'Fit for 55' package. A [briefing](#).
- EU prepares action plan to digitalise energy system. ([Euractiv](#))

- Experts warn that rising energy costs could jeopardise the future of electric cars. ([The Guardian](#))
- The closure of reactors in nuclear-dependent France shows the need for a diversified mix of renewables. ([Frank Bass](#))
- EU Parliament groups back plans to end biomass subsidies. ([Euractiv](#))
- Health groups call for global fossil fuel non-proliferation treaty ([The Guardian](#))
- Carbon dioxide removal in EU member states. A [study](#).
- Berlin launches €3bn district heating subsidy scheme. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU aims to reduce dependence on China with Raw Materials Act ([Euractiv](#))
- The transition to a circular economy. A framework for SMEs. An [article](#).
- Parliament backs e-fuels, higher EU target for decarbonising transport. ([Euractiv](#), [Transport & Environment](#), [Euractiv](#))
- 2035 end date for polluting trucks needed to put freight transport on path to carbon-free economy. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Drivers and barriers to the introduction of mobility services in Austria - Practice perspective. An [article](#).
- Smart cities: Mobility ecosystems for a more sustainable future. ([PWC](#))
- Scientists link car fumes to lung cancer, explaining why so many non-smokers get the disease. ([The Guardian](#))
- Healthy teenagers at risk of irregular heartbeats from air pollution, says study. ([The Guardian](#))
- The link between gas and health: a quick overview. ([E3G](#))
- Environmental and health impacts of war: implications for preparedness, response and recovery in Ukraine. ([The Lancet](#))
- EU parliament approves minimum wage directive. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU institutions move closer to agreement on status of platform workers. ([Euractiv](#))
- [Commission](#) bans products made with forced labour from the EU market. ([Euractiv](#), [Corporate Justice](#), [PRI](#))
- Why we need a social taxonomy. ([OMFIF](#))
- NGOs drop out of EU Sustainable Finance Expert Group due to political interference. ([Euractiv](#), [WWF](#), [Transport & Environment](#), [BEUC](#), [Reuters](#))
- Civil society comes up with criteria for greening ECB corporate bond portfolio. ([Green Central Banking](#))
- Performance of financial companies: a comparative analysis based on ESG metrics and net-zero legislation. An [article](#).
- More than 500 institutional investors urge governments to increase climate ambition. ([UNEPFI](#))
- The human right to a healthy environment gives a strong mandate to investors. ([PRI](#))
- Complex agricultural landscapes harbour more biodiversity than simple ones. An [article](#).
- MEPs balance economic and climate issues in new forestry strategy. ([Euractiv](#))
- European Parliament voted on deforestation-free products. ([Euractiv](#), [Fern](#), [Euractiv](#), [ClientEarth](#), [WWF](#), [Euractiv](#), [Eurogroup for Animals](#))
- Commission: It is too early to assess the impact of relaxing green farming measures. ([Euractiv](#))
- Germany halts exports of banned pesticides and urges EU-wide halt. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU criticised for failing to protect marine life from 'destructive' fishing. ([The Guardian](#))
- Post-2025 climate finance target: how much more and how much better? An [article](#).
- Five priorities for a meaningful post-2025 climate finance target. ([Pieter Pauw](#), [Richard J T Klein and Zoha Shawoo](#))
- Floods Pakistan "made up to 50% worse by global warming". ([The Guardian](#))

- Extreme hunger increases in the world's climate hotspots, says Oxfam. ([The Guardian](#))

Activities

- 2022-09-20 – 2022-09-22 | [Scaling up the energy transition whilst securing a stable supply](#)
- 2022-09-26 – 2022-09-30 | Hybrid | [European Sustainable Energy Week](#)
- 2022-09-29 | Hybrid | [Green bonds – State of play. What is in it for transition?](#)
- 2022-09-29 | [Duurzaamheidsgegevens van bedrijven: hoe Europese verslaggeving invoeren?](#)
- [Les données sur la durabilité des entreprises : comment mettre en œuvre le reporting européen ?](#)
- 2022-09-29 | [Local Integrated Home Renovation Services: how to make them viable?](#)
- 2022-10-05 | [Metals and Transition](#)
- 2022-10-06 | [Better integrating the EU's Green Deal and Pillar of Social Rights](#)
- 2022-10-10 – 2022-10-12 | [The European SDG Summit](#)
- 2022-10-11 – 2022-10-13 | [SBE22Delft Conference: Preparing for the European Renovation Wave](#)
- 2022-10-17 | Online | [The EU green deal status update: checking in on Fit for 55](#)
- 2022-10-25 | [Sustainable tax system: towards a green future](#)
- 2022-10-26 | Hybrid | [The matrix: sustainable reporting requirements](#)
- 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](#)
- 2022-11-14 | [A just green transition and a competitive Union: fair and effective taxation for a new era](#)
- 2022-11-29 – 2022-12-02 | [Sustainable Future Summit](#)
- 2022-11-30 | [Welke competenties voor een winnend team? Kansen voor jongeren](#) | [Quelles compétences pour une équipe gagnante ? Opportunités pour les jeunes](#)
- 2022-12-13 – 2022-12-14 | [Annual High Level Expert Forum for Sustainable Finance \(HLEF\)](#)

Commission documents

- 2022-09-28 | [Adapting liability rules](#) - Artificial intelligence liability directive / - Revision of the product liability directive | [Social pillar implementation](#) - Strengthening social dialogue in the European Union (tbc) / - Recommendation on minimum income / - Protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to asbestos at work
- 2022-10-12 | [Development of post-Euro 6/VI emission standards for cars, vans, lorries and buses](#)
- 2022-10-18 | [2023 Commission Work Programme](#)
- 2022-10-26 | [Zero pollution package](#) - Integrated water management – revised lists of surface and groundwater pollutants / - Revision of EU ambient air quality legislation / - Review of the urban wastewater treatment directive
- 2022-11-22 | [European Semester autumn package](#)
2022-11-30 | [Circular economy package II](#) - Proposal for a Regulation on substantiating environmental claims using the product/ organisation environmental footprint methods (green claims) / - 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 / - Measures to reduce the release of microplastics in the environment / - Sustainable consumption of goods – promoting repair and reuse (the right to repair) |

Climate package - Carbon removal certification / - Review of the CO2 emission standards for heavy-duty vehicles



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