



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 2023](#).

Current affairs

- Sweden is the new president of the European Council. ([Presidency website](#))
- Platform Fit for Future demands EU countries set national climate neutrality targets. ([WWF](#))
- Derailing the Green Deal would reduce European power. ([Mats Engström](#))
- Environmental change or purely situational diplomatic success? Understanding the confluence of four key trends. ([Sébastien Treyer](#))
- Analysis: The most common climate papers in the media in 2022. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- Half of glaciers will be gone by 2100, even under the 1.5C Paris agreement, according to a study. ([The Guardian](#))
- Integrating mitigation of short-lived climate pollutants and air pollution into nationally determined contributions (NDCs). An [article](#).
- How can we better understand the role of social media in spreading climate misinformation? ([Max Falkenberg and Andrea Baronchelli](#))
- Germany's green energy transition enters a decisive year. ([Euractiv](#))
- Green hydrogen: Fuel of the future has 'great potential' but a worrying blind spot, scientists warn. ([Euronews](#))
- European Green Deal for Ukraine: The time to get started is now. ([Olga Bielkova](#))
- Energy poverty and low-carbon energy transition. An [article](#).
- Germany revises resource strategy to tackle dependency. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU welcomes correction to US green subsidies act. ([Euractiv](#))

- The impact of digital technologies and sustainable practices on circular supply chain management. An [article](#).
- Why victims of environmental disasters are heading to European courts. ([The Guardian](#))
- Why 2023 will be a turning point for climate litigation. ([The Guardian](#))
- Biggest climate toll in year of 'devastating' disasters revealed. ([The Guardian](#))
- An annual check-up for the climate movement. ([May Boeve](#))
- Climate action and sustainability - a unique opportunity for global cooperation. ([WEF](#))
- Risk of greenwashing as ESMA proposes to relax eco-labelling requirements. ([Better Finance](#))
- Sweden harbours one of Europe's largest carbon sinks - but is it being well looked after? ([Euronews](#))
- A new era for global biodiversity? ([IDDRI](#))
- EU ban on deforestation-related goods sets benchmark, say US lawmakers ([The Guardian](#))
- Analysis of key factors for food security. A new Commission [report](#).
- John Kerry: rich countries must respond to anger developing countries over climate. ([The Guardian](#))
- World Bank advocates stronger strategic focus on climate action. ([Climate Home News](#))

Activities

- 2023-01-11 | Online | [SEI Currents 2023](#)
- 2023-01-12 | Online | [#EUCircularTalk:"From local to global: how procurement could drive a just transition"](#)
- 2023-01-16 | Online | [#EUCircularTalks: The Taxonomy and Sustainable Finance - What does it mean for the Buildings & Infrastructure sector?](#)
- 2023-01-17 | Online | [Carbon removal certification](#)
- 2023-01-19 | Hybrid | [Innovation Fund: Financing Innovative Clean Tech Conference](#)
- 2023-01-20 | Hybrid | [Re-negotiate: A new social contract in an age of crises](#)
- 2023-01-20 | Online | [The EU's circular economy plan and European industry](#)
- 2023-01-26 | Hybrid | [Towards green collective bargaining in Europe: assessment of good practices and future prospects](#)
- 2023-01-31 | [Advancing renewable energy communities in Europe: Affordable energy. Local ownership. Resilience.](#)
- 2023-02-07 | Hybrid | [Empowering consumers for a successful green transition](#)
- 2023-02-08 | Online | [EU Energy transition - What role for critical raw materials?](#)
- 2023-02-08 | [Energy transition paths - What has the war in Ukraine changed?](#)
- 2023-02-08 | Online | [Restoring the Earth's lungs - How can forests support climate change mitigation?](#)
- 2023-02-08 | Online | [The social aspect of housing renovation](#)
- 2023-02-09 | [Digitalising development — not digitising the status quo!](#)
- 2023-02-15 | Online | [Delivering 'lighthouse' district renovation](#)
- 2023-02-22 | Online | [Technical innovation for the energy transition](#)
- 2023-02-28 – 2023-03-03 | [World Sustainable Energy Days 2023](#)
- 2023-03-10 – 2023-03-12 | [International Passive House Conference](#)
- 2023-05-15 – 2023-05-17 | [Raw Materials Summit](#)

Commission documents

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