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- 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

- Commission announces Green Deal industrial plan. Before the publication: [Euractiv](#), [Politico](#), [Euractiv](#), [The Guardian](#), [Reuters](#), [Euronews](#), [CAN Europe](#), [Politico](#), [SolarPower Europe](#), [The Guardian](#), [Wind Europe](#), [Reuters](#), [Anna-Michelle Asimakopoulou](#).. The [Commission's proposal](#). Comments: [Politico](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Reuters](#), [EEB](#), [Orgalim](#), [SolarPower Europe](#), [Politico](#), [Modern Diplomacy](#), [ESG Today](#), [ACEA](#), [Bellona](#), [PVTech](#), [DW](#), [Luis Garicano and Guy Verhofstadt](#), [Euractiv](#), [Energy Storage](#), [IDDRI](#), [EHPA](#), [Euronews](#), [Hydrogen Europe](#), [ETUC](#), [Eurometal](#), [Offshore Energy](#), [E3G](#).
- There will be a [special European Council](#) on 9 and 10 February. At that meeting, the green industrial plan will be discussed, among other things.
- Earth is heading for more than 1.5C warming in the next decade, according to a study using AI. ([The Guardian](#))
- US lawmakers urge removal of oil boss from leadership COP28 climate talks. ([Politico](#))
- A strong mandate for the EU's foreign climate policy in 2023. ([E3G](#))
- Difference in emissions within countries now greater than between countries - study ([The Guardian](#))
- Auditors highlight shortcomings in EU attempt to integrate electricity markets. ([ECA](#), [Euractiv](#))
- EU carbon border tax - panacea or recipe for trade war? A briefing. ([Clean Energy Wire](#))
- Renewables surpass gas for first time in 2022: study. ([Euractiv](#), [Ember](#), [CarbonBrief](#))

- Strengthening the competitiveness of the EU clean energy sector. ([Innovations News Network, Commission](#))
- Wind energy projects in Germany could get faster approval with new measures. ([Euronews](#))
- French MPs approve renewable energy bill despite opposition. ([Euractiv](#))
- #Exxonknows: Why the oil giant is really taking Europe to court. ([Transport & Environment, Euronews](#))
- Australia ready to become EU 'powerhouse', climate minister says. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU Buildings Directive in turmoil over push for hydrogen heating. ([Euractiv](#))
- Buildings directive: EU parliament takes steps to save mandatory energy performance standards. ([Euractiv](#))
- Integration of heat pumps in existing residential buildings. A [review article](#).
- How the EU's new Bauhaus movement can contribute to climate change. ([WEF](#))
- Building better for climate-neutral cities. ([André Sobczak](#))
- Planting more trees in cities can reduce deaths from summer heat, says a study. ([The Guardian](#))
- How can nature-based solutions help cities reach their climate goals? ([CarbonBrief](#))
- Five ideas that demystify the circular economy. ([Farah Doumit](#))
- In search of the circular economy: A problematising overview. An [article](#).
- A common charger for electronic devices: Review of the Radio Equipment Directive. A [briefing](#).
- Car repairers condemn automakers for unwillingness to share data. ([Euractiv](#))
- Electric car sales rise despite hurdles. ([Transport & Environment, Euractiv](#))
- How sustainable is the transformation of road freight transport? ([SEI](#))
- New diesel trucks allowed until at least 2040. ([Euractiv](#))
- Revision of the guidelines for trans-European transport networks. A [briefing](#).
- EU parliament takes position on platform workers directive. ([Euractiv, EP](#))
- European industry and the ecological transition. ([Charlotte Bez and Lorenzo Feltrin](#))
- Climate action, social justice and democracy: Europe's new trilemma. ([Richard Youngs and Namita Kambli](#))
- EU rules on due diligence should include finance, he says. ([Euractiv](#))
- Corporate sustainability due diligence directive: A potential Game-Changer for business and the planet. ([WWF](#))
- Can a change in mindset change everything? ([WEF](#))
- The role of finance ministries in driving and shaping the low-carbon energy transition. A report. ([LSE](#))
- EIB Group pledges record funding to support EU energy security and green economy. ([EIB](#))
- ECB outlines balance sheet deleveraging to further favour greener companies. ([Euractiv](#))
- Addressing EU taxonomy usability problems. ([PRI](#))
- Biodiversity and finance: Managing dual materiality. A report. ([Frankfurt School](#))
- EU biodiversity plan aims to ban bottom trawling in protected areas. ([Euractiv, Climate Home News](#))
- How does the post-2020 global biodiversity framework relate to the EU biodiversity strategy? ([IEEP](#))
- Global biodiversity agreement is not pandemic-proof. ([The Lancet](#))
- Revising the LULUCF Regulation: Strengthening the role of the land use, land use change and forestry sector in climate action. A [briefing](#).
- An EU certification framework for carbon removal. A [briefing](#).
- EU agriculture ministers push for more environmental powers. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU ministers want to curb the Commission's ambition to reduce emissions from livestock. ([Euractiv](#))

- EU ministers step up fight against ban on animal transport. ([Euractiv](#))
- Farm to Fork: System change or more of the same? ([META](#))
- 'Social' CAP pillar launched despite concerns over sanctions. ([Euractiv](#))
- The role of the EU budget in international climate finance. A [briefing](#).
- Meet the Kenyan teacher who turns old laptops into e-bike batteries. ([Euronews](#))
- EU-Mercosur deal faces the hour of truth. ([Politico](#))
- Preparing for the perfect storm of conflict and climate change. ([Nickolay Mladenov](#))

Activities

- 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](#)
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- 2023-02-15 | Hybrid | [Unnoticed and ungoverned: How nanomaterials are slipping through the cracks](#)
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- 2023-02-21 | Online | [Assessing Sovereign Climate-related Opportunities and Risks \(ASCOR\) project consultation](#)
- 2023-02-21 – 2023-02-23 | Hybrid | [Right to Energy Forum 2023](#)
- 2023-02-22 | Online | [Technical innovation for the energy transition](#)
- 2023-02-22 | Online | [Climate Justice and the Role of International Law](#)
- 2023-02-27 – 2023-02-28 | Hybrid | [Circular Economy Stakeholder Conference 2023. Recovery, Open Strategic Autonomy and Resilience.](#)
- 2023-02-28 | Online | [The Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation – The role of closed loop circularity](#)
- 2023-02-28 – 2023-03-03 | [World Sustainable Energy Days 2023](#)
- 2023-03-09 | [Tackling Microplastics in the Environment](#)
- 2023-03-10 – 2023-03-12 | [International Passive House Conference](#)
- 2023-03-21 | Hybrid | [CO₂, H₂ and O₂ - Cornerstones of the energy transition?](#)
- 2023-03-21 | [Law and the End of Anthropocentrism](#)
- 2023-04-20 | Online | [EU energy and climate governance and the future of the Green Deal](#)
- 2023-05-15 – 2023-05-17 | [Raw Materials Summit](#)
- 2023-05-25 – 2023-05-26 | [The Future of Food Law](#)

Commission documents

- 2023-02-14 | [Review of the CO₂ emission standards for heavy-duty vehicles](#)
- 2023-03-01 | [Road safety package](#)
- 2023-03-08 | [European critical raw materials act](#)
- 2023-03-22 | [Consumers package](#) / - Substantiating environmental claims / - Sustainable consumption of goods – promoting repair and reuse (the right to repair)
- March tbc | [Revision of EU's internal electricity market design reform](#)

- 2023-04-18 | [Digital skills and education package](#) / - Recommendation on enabling factors for digital education / - Recommendation on improving the provision of digital skills in education and training
- 2023-05-17 | [EU Hydrogen Bank](#) | [Measures to reduce the release of microplastics in the environment](#)
- 2023-05-24 | [European Semester spring package](#)
- 2023-06-07 | [Sustainable agri-food systems and use of resources](#) / - Soil Health Law / - Regulation on plants produced by new genomic techniques / - Revision of food waste and textiles aspects of the EU waste framework Directive / - Revision of legislation on seeds and other plant and forest reproductive material
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- 2023-06-28 | [2023 Strategic foresight report](#)



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