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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

- Results of climate negotiations In Bonn: [ENB](#), [Climate Home News](#), [Climate Home News](#), [Carbon Brief](#), [Climate Home News](#), [CAN Europe](#).
- Europe is the world's fastest-warming continent, warns a report by WMO and Copernicus. ([Euronews](#), [WMO](#), [Copernicus](#), [WEF](#))
- Switzerland backs net-zero climate law in referendum. ([DW](#), [Euractiv](#))
- EU must constitutionalise climate policy to stabilise climate transition. ([Kati Kulovesi and Sebastian Oberthür](#))
- CAN Europe's position on EU climate targets and a fair greenhouse gas budget for the EU. ([CAN Europe](#))
- 'Frustrated' EU countries resolve renewable energy feud. ([Politico](#), [Euractiv](#))
- Annual renewable energy needs to triple by 2030. ([IRENA](#))
- 46 GW of new solar power by 2022: Europe celebrates its first European Solar Day ([SolarPower Europe](#))
- Achieving the Green Deal while creating jobs? Electrification is the answer. ([SolarPower Europe](#))
- Powering the energy transition with smart electrification. A report. ([IRENA](#))
- Skills shortage could be 'Achilles heel' of Green Deal. ([Politico](#))
- Power in unity: Doubling electricity interconnection can boost Europe's green transition ([EEB](#))

- Late push for coal subsidies upsets EU agreement on electricity market reform. ([Euractiv](#), [SolarPower Europe](#))
- EU countries fail to agree on electricity market reform. ([Euractiv](#), [Council](#), [Euractiv](#))
- Fast-track to energy union is the best consumer protection there is. ([Morten Helveg Petersen](#))
- Europe will add more than 43 million heat pumps by 2030, providing heat to half of its buildings. ([EHPA](#))
- Heat pump 'readiness indicator' to evaluate savings for consumers. ([Euractiv](#))
- German boiler 'culture war' threatens over EU buildings directive. ([Euractiv](#))
- Building efficiency: cars have an 'eco-mode' button. Why not our homes? ([Maximilian Auffhammer](#))
- Building a green future: Exploring the employment potential of electricity, heating and storage in low-carbon buildings. An [article](#).
- Creating value by decarbonising the built environment. A study. ([McKinsey](#))
- [Orgalim](#) on the European Critical Raw Materials Act.
- Europe's green transition: securing the material base. ([Mike Hemsley](#))
- Circular economy: new rules to make phones and tablets more sustainable, energy efficient and easier to repair, so consumers can make sustainable choices. ([Commission](#), [Euronews](#))
- EU single-use beverage packaging industry unlikely to meet climate targets. ([Zero Waste Europe](#))
- Can EU sustainable finance taxonomy unlock circular economy? ([Jack Barrie and Patrick Schroeder](#))
- The circular economy as a requirement for smart information systems design. An [article](#).
- Circular economy and donut economy. ([Energy Cities](#))
- Lack of EU-produced batteries could delay end of fossil fuel cars. Report. ([Euractiv](#), [ECA](#))
- Average emissions from new cars and vans in Europe continue to fall, according to preliminary data. ([EEA](#))
- Ready or not: Who are the frontrunners in the global race to make trucks cleaner? ([Transport & Environment](#), [Transport & Environment](#))
- Some call for 'ambition', others for 'realism' in the debate over CO₂ standards for trucks. ([Euractiv](#))
- Leading EU lawmaker wants zero emissions target for trucks by 2040. ([Euractiv](#))
- No new EU money for green technology in latest budget review. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Consumer groups file EU-wide complaint against 17 airlines for greenwashing. ([BEUC](#), [Euractiv](#))
- Why the era of cheap flights in Europe may be over. ([DW](#))
- Climate impact of shipping increasingly under scrutiny ahead of key meeting. ([The Guardian](#), [Carbon Market Watch](#))
- Saving energy through urban mobility measures. ([Eltis](#))
- EU invests €6.2bn in sustainable, safe and efficient transport infrastructure. ([Commission](#))
- Promoting a healthier environment for healthier lives. ([EEA](#))
- Less pollution would significantly reduce heart attacks and strokes in Europe. ([EEA](#))
- Artificial intelligence. What think tanks think. A [briefing](#).
- Improving working conditions of platform workers. A [briefing](#).
- Lessons from Portugal: how EU green industrial policy can benefit all member states. ([Aleksandra Waliszewska and Artur Patuleia](#))
- Rebooting the European Union's Net Zero Industry Act. ([Bruegel](#))
- A reality check on the Industrial Emissions Directive. ([META](#))
- European Green Deal Barometer 2023. ([IEEP](#))

- European Investment Bank should not waste public money on 'unrealistic' hydrogen market. ([CAN Europe](#))
- Commission proposal for ESG regulation should focus on rating providers. ([Aurore Lalucq](#), [Jonas Fernandez](#) and [Paul Tang](#))
- Position on the reform of EU budget rules. ([EEB](#))
- Central banks under pressure to demand cheap loans for energy renovation. ([Reclaim Finance](#))
- A common path to better European climate risk stress testing and scenario analysis. A new report. ([AFME](#))
- If the EU is to deliver on its climate finance ambitions, ethical banks must be at the table. ([Tom Cummings](#))
- What if fiscal policy was driven by climate and social justice? ([Seden Anlar](#))
- New sources of public climate finance: discussion paper on global and EU taxes, levies and carbon pricing. ([CAN Europe](#))
- Serious concerns about scaling back the European Green Deal, including the EU Nature Restoration Act. ([EEB](#))
- On 20 June, there was an important meeting of environment ministers. They reached an agreement on the nature restoration law. ([Council](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [ClientEarth](#), [Seas at Risk](#), [BirdLife](#), [Euronews](#), [EEB](#), [WWF](#), [Council](#), [Arc2020](#), [ClientEarth](#), [Triodos](#))
- UN environment chief condemns EU nature law opponents. ([Politico](#))
- Nature at risk of degradation if COP15 promises are not kept, world leaders warned. ([The Guardian](#))
- Research shows ecological tipping points can occur much sooner than expected. ([The Guardian](#))
- Mapping the state of Europe's forests based on an international statistical standard. ([Nature](#))
- Historic agreement approved by UN for conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in more than two-thirds of the ocean ([UN](#), [Euronews](#), [UNEP](#), [IUCN](#))
- The EU and UK exported 1,000 tonnes of a banned pesticide to poorer countries, research shows. ([Euronews](#))
- How ending gender-based violence will help achieve conservation goals. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- New report on boosting finance for sustainable food systems. ([UNEPFI](#))
- Halfway point: to what extent is the EU budget supporting the transition to resilient and sustainable agriculture? ([IEEP](#))
- Member states push for more agri-environmental exemptions by 2024. ([Euractiv](#))
- Expert: Future animal welfare standards should include positive indicators. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU's powerful lender wants first 'debt-for-nature' swap. ([Euractiv](#))
- Paris summit wants global pact on climate and debt reform. ([Euractiv](#), [WWF](#), [Euractiv](#), [Germanwatch](#), [Climate Home News](#), [Euractiv](#), [The Guardian](#), [Climate Home News](#))
- A wealth tax could help poorer countries tackle the climate crisis, economists say. ([The Guardian](#))
- Macron and world leaders call for private finance to help fight global poverty. ([The Guardian](#))
- Debt relief urgent for poor countries hit by climate shocks, says IMF chief. ([The Guardian](#))
- To tackle the climate crisis, finance must go hand in hand with action. ([Jorge Moreira da Silva](#))
- The climate crisis is the biggest threat of this century. We need a global financial pact that reflects the task ahead. ([Chris Bowen](#), [Steven Guilbeault](#) and [James Shaw](#))
- French farmers ask Macron to 'stand firm' on EU-Mercosur deal. ([Euractiv](#))
- Turning the European Green Deal into a global Green Deal. ([WFTO](#))

- Geopolitical case for EU-Africa climate cooperation ([Alfonso Medinilla and Poorva Karkare](#))
- Senegal signs €2.5 billion green energy deal with EU, UK and Canada. ([Euractiv](#), [Climate Home News](#))
- How climate change is affecting health in Africa. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- World Refugee Day: How will climate change force us to rethink our stance on mass migration? ([Euronews](#))

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Activities

- 2023-06-26 | Online | [CAP reform - Is 'social conditionality' the answer for agri-workers?](#)
- 2023-06-27 | Hybrid | [Integrated thinking for a climate-resilient Europe](#)
- 2023-06-27 | Hybrid | [What are the challenges and opportunities for a European 'hydrogen corridor'?](#)
- 2023-06-27 | Hybrid | [Governing the EU's Transition towards Climate Neutrality and Sustainability](#)
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- 2023-06-28 | [Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation - How can we make it work?](#)
- 2023-06-28 | Webinar | [How do we finance more renewables in Africa? The role of risk mitigation](#)
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- 2023-07-04 | Hybrid | [How can a shift to a circular economy in the EU contribute to a climate-neutral Europe?](#)
- 2023-07-04 | Online | [Chemical risk management - What is the role of the Essential Use Concept?](#)
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- 2023-07-19 | [Tackling energy poverty for a just transition](#)
- 2023-07-19 – 2023-07-20 | [Oxford Sustainable Finance Summit](#)
- 2023-09-04 – 2023-09-08 | [The evolution of spatial planning law for environmental protection and climate transition](#)
- 2023-09-06 | Hybrid | [The EU's directive on corporate sustainability due diligence - Striking the right balance for business, consumers, investors?](#)
- 2023-09-28 | [IEA Critical Minerals and Clean Energy Summit](#)
- 2023-10-09 | [Jongeren willen deel van de oplossing zijn - Les jeunes veulent faire partie de la solution](#)
- 2023-10-10 | Online | [Circular Diversity: Creative solutions to promote the re-use of second-hand goods – Re-use Berlin](#)

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Commission documents

- 2023-06-28 | [Joint Communication on climate change, environmental degradation, and security and defence](#)
- 2023-07-05 | [Food and biodiversity package](#) / - 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 | [Response to European citizens' initiative: 'Stop Finning – Stop the Trade!'](#)
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