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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

- July was world's hottest month ever, climate scientists confirm ([The Guardian](#))
- Study shows tree line in mountains rising due to climate crisis ([The Guardian](#))
- Dry rivers in Europe jeopardise climate ambitions. ([Politico](#))
- Why we need a 2040 climate target. ([Chiara Corradi](#))
- Long-term strategies in a changing climate. A report. ([SEI](#))
- Measuring the success of climate adaptation. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- Executive Vice-President Timmermans steps down. Vice-President Šefčovič takes over his duties. Wopke Hoekstra likely to be new Dutch commissioner. ([Commission](#), [Politico](#), [Euractiv](#), [Politico](#), [Climate Home News](#), [Politico](#), [Euractiv](#))
- Campaigners threaten EU with lawsuit over climate policy. ([CAN Europe](#), [Reuters](#), [Euronews](#))
- Cross-border cooperation is key to building interconnected electricity systems of the future. ([IEA](#))
- From polluter to grid service provider: How your car can help the energy transition. ([IRENA](#))
- Co-simulation of a cellular energy system. An [article](#).
- EU countries' solar power targets for 2030 rise 63% - but reality outstrips ambition. ([SolarPower Europe](#))
- Empowering people - the role of local energy communities in the transition to clean energy. ([IEA](#))
- How can we maximise the social benefits of clean energy policies for low-income households? ([IEA](#))

- Germany misses net zero target by 2045 due to faltering climate efforts ([Climate Home News](#), [Euractiv](#))
- New oil map: EU replaces Russian oil barrel for barrel as continent fails to reduce demand. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- How innovation in heat pumps can transform heating and cooling. ([IRENA](#))
- Phased renovation and the time perspective: What other metrics should be used to assess the climate optimality of renovation activities? An [article](#).
- Think tank says public money still flows to industry despite agreement to phase out 'inefficient' subsidies. ([The Guardian](#))
- Fossil fuels are subsidised by \$13 million a minute, says IMF. ([IMF](#), [The Guardian](#))
- Speculators with carbon credits could lose billions if offsets deemed 'worthless' ([The Guardian](#))
- Commission adopts detailed reporting rules for transition phase of carbon border adjustment mechanism (CBAM). ([Commission](#))
- New EU carbon tariff: German industry slams bureaucratic burden. ([Euractiv](#))
- 'We face dependence on China': EU fights to support green industry. ([The Guardian](#))
- Commodities regulation could reshape Green Transition, but more ambition is needed. ([EEB](#))
- The Critical Raw Materials Act: An EU attempt to combine quality and speed. ([Julia Poliscanova](#))
- Report: Embracing Circularity: A path for strengthening the Critical Raw Materials Act ([CLG](#)).
- Standing up for the rights of communities in the rush for raw materials ([META](#))
- The impact of mining: how much raw materials do we really need? ([META](#))
- The Jeans Redesign Insights 2021-2023 report. ([Ellen MacArthur Foundation](#))
- Promoting the repair of consumer goods. A [briefing](#).
- Not OK computers - where ICT waste ends and policy begins. ([ECOS](#))
- 33 organisations to European Commission: 'We need to extend the life of all electronics'. ([EEB](#))
- European Parliament votes for ambitious eco-design rules that bring us closer to a circular economy ([ECOS](#))
- How Kenya and the EU can close the loop on textiles. ([ECDPM](#))
- Circular economy in SMEs in the European Union: Multi-level implications for sustainability. An [article](#).
- Clean and lean: Demand for battery metals for the electrification of cars, vans and buses. A study. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Smaller cars could reduce demand for critical metals by almost a quarter. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Provisions for transport fuels in the European Union's finalised 'Fit for 55' package. A briefing. ([ICCT](#))
- Sustainable mobility for all. ([Eltis](#))
- The shocking extent to which people are encouraged to fly in Europe. ([Greenpeace](#))
- Climate action requires more pressure on aviation. ([Carbon Market Watch](#))
- European shipping will continue to rely on fossil fuels beyond 2050, study. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Risk of heat-related deaths 'increasing rapidly' in last 20 years. ([CarbonBrief](#), [Nature](#))
- Pioneering Commission proposal to ban hormone-disrupting chemicals in toys should become law. ([BEUC](#))
- Why the EU should ban climate-neutral claims now. ([Roberta Arbinolo](#))
- Montana's historic climate ruling: three key conclusions. ([The Guardian](#))
- Europe's path to a new industrial policy. ([META](#))
- EU internal market's barriers to a just climate transition. ([Olivier Hoedeman](#))

- Implementing and delegated acts - CSRD. ([Commission](#), [Q&A](#), [ECOS](#), [WWF](#))
- Big Six leadership lacks in action on climate reporting and audit. ([ClientEarth](#))
- EU due diligence proposal raises hopes for activists, worries foreign companies. ([Euractiv](#))
- What does Article 2.1(c) of the Paris Agreement mean for central banks? ([LSE](#))
- European Central Bank fails with own climate action plan. ([Greenpeace](#))
- Climate-related systemic risks and macroprudential policy. A report. ([LSE](#))
- European Parliament regulation on fossil fuel risks to insurers falls short. ([WWF](#))
- The importance of global cooperation on green taxonomies. ([Bloomberg](#))
- Countries launch biodiversity fund to protect nature. ([DW](#), [WWF](#))
- Exploring policy options for financing nature restoration in the next MFF ([IEEP](#))
- Developed countries urgently need to give money to developing countries on the front line of biodiversity crisis, says WWF. ([WWF](#))
- Top environmental fund manager calls on countries to discourage activities that 'destroy' nature. ([Politico](#))
- Tropical forests face 'massive leaf death' due to global warming, according to research. ([The Guardian](#), [CarbonBrief](#))
- Will the EU achieve its green agriculture ambitions before the 2024 elections? ([Euractiv](#))
- Dispute over 'veggie burger' name settled by EU court ruling. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU protein strategy. A [briefing](#).
- EU launches investigation into Indonesian biodiesel evading import duties. ([Euractiv](#))
- Rich countries 'trap' poor countries in fossil fuel dependence ([The Guardian](#))
- US wants to limit 'loss and damage' fund. ([Climate Home News](#))
- Mediterranean becomes a tinderbox: EU should focus on climate, not migration. ([François Gemenne](#))

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Activities

- 2023-09-04 – 2023-09-08 | [The evolution of spatial planning law for environmental protection and climate transition](#)
- 2023-09-05 | Hybrid | [Sustainable future for European transport: levitating MagRail trains on existing railways](#)
- 2023-09-06 | Hybrid | [The EU's directive on corporate sustainability due diligence - Striking the right balance for business, consumers, investors?](#)
- 2023-09-07 | Online | [Human rights due diligence: how should investors identify and prioritise risks?](#)
- 2023-09-19 – 2023-09-21 | [Power to the Peatlands. European Peatland Conference](#)
- 2023-09-20 | Hybrid | [Navigating the Energy Transition - Implementing clean hydrogen initiatives in the EU](#)
- 2023-09-20 | [Transforming EU land use and the CAP: a post-2024 vision](#)
- 2023-09-21 | Hybrid | [Environmental Law Lecture #6: Freedom of Environmental Information](#)
- 2023-09-21 | Hybrid | [The EU's directive on corporate sustainability due diligence - Striking the right balance for business, consumers, investors?](#)
- 2023-09-21 | [What role will storage play in Europe's future energy system?](#)
- 2023-09-21 | Online | [Fueling the Future: Developing skills for the hydrogen revolution](#)
- 2023-09-26 | [How can district heating help meet EU climate neutrality targets?](#)
- 2023-09-26 | [Tackling the global climate crisis with local solutions](#)
- 2023-09-28 | [IEA Critical Minerals and Clean Energy Summit](#)

- 2023-09-28 – 2023-09-29 | Hybrid | [Annual Conference on Law and Sustainable Finance in the EU 2023](#)
- 2023-10-05 | [Transformative pathways towards a new European eco-social model](#)
- 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](#)
- 2023-10-11 | [Boosting circularity and seeking industrial-urban symbiosis through local-regional collaboration](#)
- 2023-10-23 | Hybrid | [Sustainable mines in my backyard? Analysis and debate on a controversial topic](#)
- 2023-10-24 | [Hydropower: a key player of the European energy transition](#)

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