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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

- Scientists conclude that Earth is 'far beyond safe operational space for humanity' ([The Guardian](#))
- On Wednesday 20 September, the UN [Climate Ambition Summit](#) took place in New York ([Euronews](#), [Euractiv](#), [Politica](#), [Euronews](#), [Euractiv](#), [The Guardian](#), [Solidar](#), [WMO](#), [WWF](#), [The Guardian](#), [CAN International](#)).
- Global warming made floods in Greece and Libya more likely, according to research. ([The Guardian](#))
- How are Libya's 'medicane'-fuelled floods linked to climate change? ([CarbonBrief](#))
- The green case for von der Leyen 2.0. ([Euractiv](#))
- Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) as a governance tool - accountability of policies, negotiating progress and related mechanisms under the Paris Agreement. An article. ([LSE](#))
- Although price shocks hurt, installed renewable energy saved Europe €100bn between 2021-23. ([IEA](#))
- Offshore renewable energy: EU auditors highlight green dilemma ([ECA](#), [Euractiv](#))
- WWF briefing urges EU to ensure equal place for women in offshore wind transition. ([WWF](#))
- France must triple renewable energy capacity by 2035, says grid operator. ([Euractiv](#))
- European power industry warns that ageing grids jeopardise green goals. ([Euractiv](#), [Euronews](#))
- What will it take for countries to get their energy sector on track for 1.5°C? An analysis. ([New Climate Institute](#))

- Green hydrogen: a key factor to increase the potential of renewable energy solutions in difficult sectors. ([IRENA](#))
- Lagging policy support and rising cost pressures put low-emission hydrogen investment plans at risk. ([IEA](#), [The Guardian](#))
- Electricity market reform and the approaching CfD storm ([Mike Parr](#))
- Oil and gas industry fatally flawed: Russia-Ukraine only delayed relentless price drop. ([EnergyPost](#))
- Energy poverty in the EU. A [briefing](#).
- Former MEP: Brussels must not abandon EU green buildings law. ([Euractiv](#))
- Joint statement on the definition of zero-emission buildings in the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD) ([EHPA](#))
- Member States should prepare for the new planning obligation for local heating and cooling. ([Adrian Hiel and Mélanie Bourgeois](#))
- Berlin considers 95% tax cut on electricity to encourage use of heat pumps. ([Euractiv](#))
- Leak: EU may become as addicted to Chinese batteries as Russian energy. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU green strategic autonomy: The challenge of combining two goals. A [briefing](#).
- EU bank chief warns of 'colonialism 2.0' as green transition progresses. ([Euractiv](#))
- Reactions to the vote on the Critical Materials Act: [EEB](#), [Right to Repair](#).
- Right to Repair: Germany calls for more ambitious EU rules. ([Euractiv](#))
- Right to repair: New consumer rights. A [briefing](#).
- Recommendations from European Recyclers for a Circular Economy in the EU: exploring chemical recycling if no better recycling alternative is available. ([EURIC](#))
- Europe lost 15,000 km of track, built 30,000 km of motorway since 1995. A study. ([Greenpeace](#), [Euractiv](#), [The Guardian](#))
- Europe's electric vehicle research in China risks collateral damage. ([Politico](#))
- France introduces new incentives for electric cars and targets China ([Euractiv](#))
- Market monitor: European car and van market and charging infrastructure development by quarter: January 2023 - June 2023. A briefing note. ([ICCT](#))
- How US and EU proposals can drive the transition to zero-emission trucks and buses. ([ICCT](#))
- How to prevent a loophole for e-fuels from undermining EU CO₂ legislation for cars. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Euro 7 pollution standards for cars "effectively killed" by proposals Spanish EU presidency. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Vision 2050: Update on global transition to zero-emission vehicles by 2023. ([ICCT](#))
- Just transitions in the transport sector: insights from Sweden. ([SEI](#))
- European shipping emissions back to high pre-pandemic levels. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Revision of the ship-source pollution directive. A [briefing](#).
- France wants minimum price for flights in Europe. ([Euractiv](#))
- Flying via Istanbul: escaping climate measures? ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Council and Parliament reach preliminary agreement to empower consumers for green transition. ([Council](#), [Euractiv](#), [EP](#), [Carbon Market Watch](#), [BEUC](#))
- Green consumerism: between ambition and action. ([SciencesPo](#))
- People with respiratory diseases are increasingly affected by pollen and heat waves ([Euractiv](#))
- Revealed: almost everyone in Europe breathes toxic air. ([The Guardian](#), [The Guardian](#))
- Why a Belgian insurer is studying the impact of air pollution on health. ([The Guardian](#))
- MEPs agree on wastewater rules, but fall short on micropollutants. ([EEB](#))
- Exposure to 'forever chemicals' linked to higher cancer risk in women. ([The Guardian](#))
- Twitter scores worst in report on climate change disinformation. ([The Guardian](#))
- Learning for a greener and more sustainable future. A [briefing](#).

- Public procurement for climate neutrality - a transformative policy tool? A study. ([Ecologic Institute](#))
- New science-based targets for steel will accelerate decarbonisation, but more is needed. ([ECOS](#))
- Germany considers new energy price subsidy for industries. ([Politico](#))
- IRA one year on - is Europe getting sidetracked? ([ETUI](#))
- Industrial carbon capture: only for truly 'unavoidable emissions'. ([Antoine Grall, Dominika Floriánová, Ella Oksala and Leon de Graaf](#))
- The cumulative impact of due diligence EU legislation on SMEs. A [study](#).
- Funds and the state of European sustainable finance. ([Green Central Banking](#))
- Few global banks are committed to ending fossil fuel financing, report shows. ([Green Central Banking](#))
- High seas treaty moves closer with first signatures. ([Euractiv](#))
- Mutilating the tree of life: Wildlife loss accelerating, scientists warn. ([The Guardian](#))
- Biodiversity protection not on track to meet Sustainable Development Goals - [IUCN report](#).
- According to UNEP, what are the 5 main causes of biodiversity loss? ([WEF](#))
- Business case for investing in nature restoration. A briefing note. ([CLG](#))
- New biodiversity initiatives and funding announced as leaders start implementing global nature agreements. ([WWF](#))
- No more trade-offs: Pitting humans against the planet is dangerous and not how we will thrive. ([Astrid Schomaker and Francine Pickup](#))
- Rebalancing power and empowering farmers in the EU food system? An analysis of the Farm to Fork strategy. An [article](#).
- 'Finally': EU agriculture ministers welcome von der Leyen strategic dialogue. ([Euractiv](#))
- EU Commission proposes to re-approve glyphosate for 10 years. ([Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Arc2020](#))
- EU policies do not promote sustainable production or consumption - new report. ([WWF](#))
- Innovative carbon agriculture initiatives: recent and ongoing projects in the EU. ([IEEP](#))
- Land use transformation in the EU and the CAP: a post-2024 vision. ([IEEP](#))
- Lawmakers call for 'global and ambitious' EU protein strategy ([Euractiv](#))
- Revealed: top carbon offset projects may not reduce greenhouse gas emissions. ([The Guardian](#))
- What scientists need to do to make faster progress on the SDGs. ([Nature](#))
- Why public funding must be central to universal energy access. ([IRENA](#))
- What climate finance needs. ([Nouriel Roubini and Reza Bundy](#))
- New sources for public climate finance and for the Loss and Damage fund. ([CAN Europe](#))
- Rich countries 'confident' in \$100bn climate finance by 2023. ([Climate Home News](#))
- Green Climate Fund must curb ambition as funding stagnates. ([Climate Home News](#))
- Ethics watchdog urges Brussels to disclose secret Mercosur protocol. ([Politico](#))

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Activities

- 2023-09-25 | Online | [Advancing human rights and environmental due diligence regulations for banks](#)
- 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 | Online | [Powering the future: Charting Europe's climate and energy sovereignty](#)
- 2023-09-28 – 2023-09-29 | Hybrid | [Annual Conference on Law and Sustainable Finance in the EU 2023](#)
- 2023-10-02 | Online | [Corporate climate integrity: what role for the EU?](#)
- 2023-10-02 – 2023-10-03 | Hybrid | [OECD Forum on Green Finance and Investment](#)
- 2023-10-05 | [Transformative pathways towards a new European eco-social model](#)
- 2023-10-06 | Online | [Global resource flows and their environmental impacts](#)
- 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](#)
- 2023-10-10 | Online | [The Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation \(SFDR\) - What next?](#)
- 2023-10-10 | Online | [Combining energy efficiency & renewable energy sources](#)
- 2023-10-11 | [Boosting circularity and seeking industrial-urban symbiosis through local-regional collaboration](#)
- 2023-10-11 | Hybrid | [Empowering consumers on climate change](#)
- 2023-10-12 | [Shaping a future-proof corporate ecosystem](#)
- 2023-10-19 | Hybrid | [Environmental Law Lecture #7: Public Participation in the EU and other legal frameworks](#)
- 2023-10-23 | Hybrid | [Sustainable mines in my backyard? Analysis and debate on a controversial topic](#)
- 2023-10-24 | [Aligning capital investment with the European Green Deal](#)
- 2023-10-24 | [Hydropower: a key player of the European energy transition](#)
- 2023-10-27 | [The European Climate Stocktake - EU and global progress towards the goals of the Paris Agreement](#)
- 2023-11-29 | Hybrid | [The oceans, the blue economy and implications for climate change](#)
- 2023-11-30 | Online | [Sustainable and Impact Investments International Conference](#)

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