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General

- The European Commission presented the <u>European Green Deal</u> proposal (<u>communication +</u> <u>roadmap</u>) on 11 December 2019.
- The European Council of <u>12 December 2019</u> confirmed the principle of climate neutrality.
- The European Parliament on 15 January 2020 adopted <u>a resolution</u> 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 2024.

Current affairs

- COP28 will take place from 30 November to 12 December. (<u>UNFCCC</u>, <u>UAE</u>, <u>ENB</u>). A 'pre-COP' took place in Abu Dabi. Comments on COP28: <u>Politico</u>, <u>Euronews</u>, <u>Euronews</u>, <u>Euractiv</u>, <u>Euractiv</u>, <u>Euractiv</u>, <u>Earactiv</u>, <u>Euractiv</u>, <u>Euractiv</u>,
- Climate crisis: carbon emissions budget now minuscule, say scientists. (<u>The Guardian</u>, <u>Euronews</u>)
- Global warming accelerates, warns scientist who sounded climate alarm in 1980s. (<u>The</u> <u>Guardian</u>)
- Doctors from around the world together call for urgent climate action. (<u>The Guardian</u>)
- Climate's 'Catch-22': Cutting air pollution is warming the planet. (Euractiv)
- Rich countries must allocate more money for adaptation as climate risks increase, warns UN report. (Euronews, The Guardian, UNEP, Reuters, CarbonBrief, SEI)
- Research says the world is ill-prepared to prevent climate crisis from reversing health progress. (<u>The Guardian</u>, <u>WMO</u>)
- Renewable energy to triple and energy efficiency to double by 2030. (IRENA)
- EU countries behind schedule with 2030 energy efficiency targets: report. (<u>Euractiv</u>, <u>Coalition for Energy Savings</u>)
- Facing China, EU rushes to strengthen weakened wind sector. (Politico)
- China objects to UN fund warnings on risks of forced labour solar power. (<u>Climate Home</u> <u>News</u>)

- Renewable energy cooperation mechanisms in the EU: Lessons learned and future prospects. An <u>article</u>.
- Removing barriers to green hydrogen deployment. (IRENA)
- Do heat pumps work in winter? Experts explain why Nordic countries have installed the most devices. (<u>Euronews</u>)
- Balancing heat savings and heat supply in local energy planning: Insights from buildings 1970-1989 in three European countries. An <u>article</u>.
- Reducing plastic waste easier said than done. (ECA)
- Circularity gaps of the European Critical Raw Materials Act. A report. (<u>IEEP</u>)
- Key drivers for introducing circular economy in the tourism accommodation sector. An <u>article</u>.
- Weights and dimensions law is crucial to accelerate sales of zero-emission trucks. (<u>Transport</u> <u>& Environment</u>)
- France invests in electric car charging infrastructure to meet EU targets. (Euractiv)
- Transport sector companies call on governments to support stricter air pollution limits. (<u>Transport & Environment</u>)
- Spain says adios to short-haul flights. (Politico)
- The Dutch government confirmed on Thursday that it will reduce the number of flights at Schiphol Airport to reduce noise pollution. (<u>Politico</u>)
- Less is more time for a hydrogen reality check. (William Todts)
- A revolution on the road: How sustainable, autonomous and connected vehicles are changing business models for digital mobility. An <u>article</u>.
- Air pollution increases risk of type 2 diabetes, according to pioneering Indian research. (<u>The</u> <u>Guardian</u>)
- Why Europe must "local proof" its Green Deal and how to achieve it. (Covenant of Mayors)
- Social services in Europe: Public-private partnerships offer a way out. (Deloitte)
- Making the twin transition: skills first. (<u>Patricia Velicu and Isabelle Barthès</u>)
- Transatlantic cooperation on clean transition no time to stop. (E3G)
- Moving from pledges to implementation: a guide for corporate just transition action. (LSE)
- Holding oil and gas producers accountable. (E3G)
- Banks pump more than \$150 billion into companies with 'carbon bomb' projects in 2022. (<u>The Guardian</u>)
- Data shows France is Europe's biggest supporter of 'carbon bomb' projects. (The Guardian)
- New report: EU financial institutions cause environmental and human rights damage. (WWF)
- Finance Watch warns: Economic models underestimate climate risks. (<u>Euractiv</u>, <u>Finance</u> <u>Watch</u>)
- Sustainable Food System Act paves the way for ambitious CAP reform. (Arc2020)
- Trade-offs between higher productivity and lower environmental impacts for biodiversityfriendly and conventional cattle-oriented systems. An <u>article</u>.
- Deforestation has major impact on regional temperatures, study of Brazilian Amazon shows. (<u>The Guardian</u>)
- Rich countries must stop forcing fossil fuels on Africa don't we deserve a renewable future too? (<u>Vanessa Nakate</u>)

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Activities

• 2023-11-06 | Hybrid | The Common Agricultural Policy post-2027

- 2023-11-07 | Implementation and usability of the EU Taxonomy: What can the EU Platform on Sustainable Finance do?
- 2023-11-07 | Online | <u>Unlocking finance to advance a circular economy for plastics: Insights</u> and tools for financial decision-makers
- 2023-11-08 | Online | <u>Crowdfunding as a driver for the EU's energy transition What</u> <u>difference can it make?</u>
- 2023-11-08 | Hybrid | <u>Identifying the circularity gaps of the European Critical Raw Materials</u> <u>Act</u>
- 2023-11-08 | <u>Social Investments for resilient economies and societies: EU fiscal rules fit for</u> <u>future</u>
- 2023-11-09 | Hybrid | Environmental Law Lecture #8: Access to justice in environmental matters at EU level
- 2023-11-09 | Hybrid | <u>10 policy choices for a Renewed Social Contract for Europe</u>
- 2023-11-09 | Online | The Solar Stewardship Initiative: join the future of sustainable solar
- 2023-11-13 | The Future of EU Public Finances
- 2023-11-14 | Online | Analysing the Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive What are the implications for our forests?
- 2023-11-15 | The role of state aid in the transition to a net-zero industry
- 2023-11-15 | Wind Power Action Plan Winds of change?
- 2023-11-16 | <u>The battery passport as an enabler for sustainability and transparency across</u> <u>supply chains</u>
- 2023-11-16 | Online | <u>Hydrogen emissions What implications for the green transition?</u>
- 2023-11-17 | Online | Post-pandemic transformations and the re-casting of development
- 2023-11-21 | <u>Studiedag EU Green Deal</u>
- 2023-11-22 | Hybrid | <u>Stakeholder-driven energy scenarios for a just transition: Dialogue</u> with the scientific community
- 2023-11-22 | Online | <u>Our fragile moment: how lessons from Earth's past can help us</u> <u>survive the climate crisis</u>
- 2023-11-28 | Online | PFAS and the green transition how can we strike a balance?
- 2023-11-29 | Hybrid | The oceans, the blue economy and implications for climate change
- 2023-11-30 | Online | <u>Sustainable and Impact Investments International Conference</u>
- 2023-11-30 | Hybrid | <u>Towards a sustainable future What is the potential of the EU's</u> <u>bioeconomy?</u>
- 2023-11-30 | Organics Europe Meets Business 2023
- 2023-11-30 | Are European automotive jobs resilient in the global electromobility race?
- 2023-12-05 | Hybrid | Road to Net Zero: Standards for the All-Electric Society
- 2023-12-05 2023-12-06 | OSH Conference 2023 Incoming challenges ahead: Climate Change & Green Transition
- 2023-12-07 | Symposium Reducing agricultural greenhouse gas emissions & the role of law
- 2023-12-14 | Sharing Summit. Van koopkracht naar deelkracht.
- 2024-01-15 2024-01-18 | Belgian Renovation Week: Innovation in Building Renovations

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Commission documents

• 2023-11-21 | European Semester autumn package | Forest monitoring framework

 2023-11-29 | <u>Mobility package</u> / - A common European mobility data space / - Revision of package travel / - Review of Passenger's rights framework | <u>Action plan to facilitate grids</u> <u>roll-out</u>



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