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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 2024](#).

Current affairs

- New reactions to Strasbourg Court's Swiss climate ruling: [Euronews](#), [The Guardian](#), [Aoife Daly](#), [Chatham House](#).
- Climate crisis: average world income falls by almost a fifth by 2050. ([The Guardian](#), [Nature](#), [Euronews](#))
- 'Grownup' leaders are pushing us towards catastrophe, says former US climate chief. ([The Guardian](#))
- Local Alliance urges EU to stay the course on Green Deal implementation. ([Eurocities](#))
- Cities are vital for ongoing climate action - early engagement and co-benefits strengthen cities' climate commitments. ([Victoriya Kuz](#))
- Why climate action is a human rights issue for older people worldwide. ([SEI](#))
- Literature-based probabilities of future emissions and temperatures. An [article](#).
- Emissions from plastic production could triple to a fifth of Earth's carbon budget - report. ([The Guardian](#))
- There was a meeting of the European Council on 17 and 18 April. ([European Council](#), [Euractiv](#), [WWF](#), [Euractiv](#), [Greenpeace](#))
- Green Deal 2.0: Spain's Ribera lays down vision for next Commission. ([Euractiv](#))
- A new uncomfortable truth: Europe's global plans all require money no one has. ([Politico](#))
- Europe misses its targets for cross-border network connections, warns watchdog. ([Euractiv](#))
- Letta report: What's in the box for Europe's energy sector. ([Euractiv](#))

- Scaling up innovative clean energy technologies needed to meet net zero emissions targets globally. ([IEA](#))
- Commission welcomes European Citizens' Panel recommendations on energy efficiency. ([Commission](#))
- Solar Charter unites EU governments and solar industry in commitment to relocate solar power generation in Europe. ([SolarPower Europe](#), [ESIA](#))
- GWEC statement on promoting a fair, open and transparent trading environment for global wind energy. ([GWEC](#))
- Energy transition at a glance: Infographic with key data. ([IRENA](#))
- EU to world: Don't rely solely on China to meet renewable energy targets. ([Euractiv](#))
- The oil crash is coming faster than we think. ([Rachel Donald](#))
- Controversial EU law on green buildings passed. ([Euractiv](#), [Commission](#))
- World Green Building Council calls on EU policymakers to take bold action on the built environment. ([WGBC](#))
- ECB and cheap gas to blame for slump in heat pump sales, says lobby group. ([Euractiv](#), [EHPA](#))
- French battle plan to produce one million heat pumps a year. ([Euractiv](#))
- Healthy Buildings Barometer 2024: How to deliver healthy, sustainable and resilient buildings for people. ([BPIE](#))
- Leaks, pollution and emissions: New lab tests debunk claims about the benefits of hydrogen for homes. ([ECOS](#))
- Northwest Europe's ambitious targets for low-emission hydrogen require rapid scale-up of investment and policy support. ([IEA](#))
- Carbon price in the EU: regulatory intervention, economic cycle, market fundamentals. ([ERCST](#))
- Yes to EU legislation for sustainable resource management. ([EYF](#), [CAN Europe](#))
- When less is more: reducing Europe's material footprint. ([Diego Marin](#))
- A call for resilience for European raw materials. ([Eurometaux](#))
- WCEF2024: Europe urgently needs a circular single market to ensure economic security. ([WCEF](#))
- Circular Cities Declaration Report 2024 offers insight into circular impacts on the ground. ([Circle Economy](#))
- Circular solutions tackle biodiversity loss and unlock business growth - check out Europe's top 30 list. ([WCEF](#))
- 4 innovations helping the fashion industry embrace the circular economy. ([WEF](#))
- Bioplastics are not the solution. ([Julia Cohen and Erica Cirino](#))
- Promoting climate, environmental and social goals through public procurement. ([RREUSE](#))
- Euro 7: Council adopts new rules on emission limits for cars, vans and trucks. ([Council](#))
- Most EU countries on track to meet charging targets. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Carbon pricing for international shipping, equity and WTO law. An [article](#).
- Low cost airlines pollute more than ever, latest emissions data shows. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Net-zero aviation: How it started and how it's going now. ([ICCT](#))
- Can citizens trust sustainable jet fuel? ([Euractiv](#))
- The EU need not be scared by aviation climate action. ([Ed Hodgson](#))
- Transport and the battle for Europe's future. ([Euractiv](#))
- Automated mobility in Europe: where are we now? ([Commission](#))
- EU agencies: more work needed to make chemicals safe and sustainable. ([EEA](#))
- Are the Paris Olympics winning the race against the climate clock? ([Carbon Market Watch](#))
- Revision of the ozone regulation. A [briefing](#).

- Industrial emissions: Council signs off on updated rules to better protect the environment. ([Council](#), [EEB](#), [ClientEarth](#))
- Time for a European industrial strategy. ([Linda Kalcher and Neil Makaroff](#))
- The Green Deal Industrial Plan. ([EUI](#))
- The gap between the EU and China deepens as Vestager launches an investigation into clean technology subsidies. ([Euractiv](#))
- Trade unions, collective bargaining and the green transition in the next EU legislative period. ([Béla Galgóczi](#))
- The impact of climate change on cultural heritage. A [briefing](#).
- Do climate lawsuits lead to action? Researchers assess their impact. ([Nature](#))
- Climate-washing litigation: towards greater corporate accountability? ([LSE](#))
- Leading environmental and climate organisations assess European Parliament performance in protecting Green Deal. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Support public investment for a stronger, more resilient and sustainable economy. ([EEB](#), [CAN Europe](#))
- Report - Transition planning for insurers: A tool for regulators to improve climate risk resilience. ([Finance Watch](#))
- How the ECB legitimises its green monetary policy. ([Green Central Banking](#))
- Why financial regulations needs an update in the age of energy transition. ([Green Central Banking](#))
- A symposium on central banks and the climate crisis - from financial stability to price stability in sustainable central banking. ([LSE](#))
- 'A huge, huge, huge mistake' Teresa Ribera warns against rejection of the Nature Restoration Act. ([Euractiv](#))
- Our ocean is bearing the brunt of the climate crisis. More protection is urgently needed. ([Alberto van Klaveren Stork and Patricia E. Harris](#))
- Climate crisis increasing frequency of deadly ocean upwells, study finds. ([The Guardian](#), [CarbonBrief](#))
- Global warming pushes coral reefs towards worst ever mass bleaching on Earth. ([The Guardian](#))
- World faces nature's 'dead silence' as wildlife disappears, experts warn. ([The Guardian](#))
- Parliament pushes for dismantling green CAP rules. ([Arc2020](#))
- Stopping the export of pesticides banned by the EU does not harm the European economy and benefits third countries. ([EEB](#), [PAN](#), [EEB](#))
- EU experts are increasingly concerned about impact of extreme weather on food security. ([Euractiv](#))
- Healthier ready-to-eat meals would have 'huge' EU climate benefits – report. ([The Guardian](#), [Fern](#), [EEB](#))
- More actions needed to make organic farming competitive, say stakeholders. ([Euractiv](#))
- Alternative protein sources for food and feed. A [study](#).
- The choice between development or climate finance is false. ([Saliem Fakir](#))
- High debts mean climate spending could push countries to the brink of insolvency. ([Reuters](#), [Euronews](#))
- The EU and debt-for-climate swaps: Geopolitical ambitions and development implications. ([ECDPM](#))
- Fossil fuel debts are illegitimate and should be cancelled. ([Lidy Nacpil](#))
- Billions more in overseas aid needed to avert climate disaster, say economists. ([The Guardian](#))
- Africa takes the lead for innovative approach to energy transition. ([IRENA](#))

- Alternatives for a fair and sustainable EU-Mercosur partnership: scenarios and guidelines. ([IEEP](#))

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Activities

- 2024-04-20 | Hybrid | [Workshop for journalists: How to report on corporate net zero targets: telling greenwashing apart from real ambition](#)
- 2024-04-22 | Hybrid | [Financing the transition to a climate-neutral economy](#)
- 2024-04-23 | Webinar | [Finance and the Global Biodiversity Framework: navigating the road to COP16](#)
- 2024-04-23 – 2024-04-24 | [Adaptation and resilience conference](#)
- 2024-04-24 | Webinar | [The air we breathe: Regional and local perspectives on air quality policy in the EU and UK](#)
- 2024-04-25 | Hybrid | [Environmental Law Lecture #13: The Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism](#)
- 2024-04-25 | Online | [The social-ecological dimension of the European Green Deal](#)
- 2024-04-26 | Hybrid | [AI — environment & social good?](#)
- 2024-04-30 | Online | [Value addition in the context of mineral processing](#)
- 2024-05-02 | [Sustainable Investment Forum Europe](#)
- 2024-05-02 | [Accelerating renewable energy deployment](#)
- 2024-05-06 | [A blueprint for a socially just EGD 2.0](#)
- 2024-05-06 | Online | [Revival of EU Single Market - Defining the road ahead](#)
- 2024-05-08 | Online | [A roadmap to EU forest resilience - Tackling climate change and forest disturbances](#)
- 2024-05-09 | Online | [Investing for nature: building investor action on biodiversity loss](#)
- 2024-05-23 | Online | [Surfing green policies: opportunities for sustainable businesses](#)
- 2024-05-23 | Online | [Building a sustainable future - The revision of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive](#)
- 2024-05-29 | [EU's climate action - What's the way forward?](#)
- 2024-06-03 – 2024-06-04 | Hybrid | [Unpacking the Green Deal: Redefining approaches, shifting methodologies](#)
- 2024-06-11 – 2024-06-13 | [European Sustainable Energy Week 2024](#)
- 2024-06-18 – 2024-06-20 | Hybrid | [Nature-based Solutions Conference 2024](#)
- 2024-06-21 | [2nd Conference on Sustainable Banking & Finance CSBF 2024](#)
- 2024-06-26 | Hybrid | [Conference on Affordable Energy: Turning civil society views into action](#)

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Commission documents

- 2024-05-22 | [Discussion on the future of EU agriculture – with Prof. P. Strohschneider](#)
- 2024-06-12 | [2025 Draft budget](#)
- 2024-06-19 | [European Semester spring package](#)



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