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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

- June 2024 marks 12th month of global temperature rising 1.5°C above pre-industrial temperature. ([Copernicus](#), [Copernicus](#), [Euronews](#), [The Guardian](#), [Euractiv](#))
- Analyses on the future of the Green Deal: [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Eero Yrjö-Koskinen](#), [Antonia Leroy](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [PRI](#).
- 'Potentially historic' heatwave threatens more than 130 million people across US. ([The Guardian](#))
- Hurricane Beryl supercharged by 'crazy' ocean temperatures, experts say. ([The Guardian](#))
- Why are Europe's weather conditions so extreme and what can we do about it? ([Euronews](#))
- Environment ministers met on 11 and 12 July. ([Council](#), [Euractiv](#))
- From G20 to COP30, a pathway to climate ambition and just transition? ([IDDRI](#))
- Immediate actions needed to free up grid capacity for more wind energy. ([WindEurope](#), [Euractiv](#))
- Tripling renewable energy by 2030 requires annual growth rate of at least 16.4% ([IRENA](#), [Climate Home News](#))
- Solar industry proposes more robust cyber security rules for distributed energy. ([SolarPower Europe](#))
- France unexpectedly includes renewables target in its energy and climate plan. ([Euractiv](#))
- Buildings decarbonisation can make or break the Green Deal. ([Ben McWilliams](#), [Giovanni Sgaravatti](#), [Simone Tagliapietra](#) and [Ugnė Keliauskaitė](#))

- Low-carbon hydrogen definition: Commission's last chance to leave a hydrogen legacy. ([Jochen Bard](#))
- Barriers and policy challenges in developing circularity approaches in the EU battery sector: an assessment. ([CEPS](#))
- Extending the life of smartphones: How we can halve emissions. ([Wuppertal Institut](#))
- France's ban on short-haul flights one year on: Has it encouraged more people to take the train? ([Euronews](#))
- Decarbonise rail – yes, but above all prioritise its growth. ([Euractiv](#))
- Green steel can reduce climate impact of car production for just €57 per vehicle. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- EU socialists: Ban on petrol cars 'key demand' for next Commission. ([Euractiv](#))
- European Commission tariffs may encourage EV relocation to Europe. ([Euractiv](#))
- Global Automaker Rating 2023. ([ICCT](#))
- Air pollution can decrease odds of live birth after IVF by 38%, study finds. ([The Guardian](#))
- Lower air pollution may help preserve older people's independence – study. ([The Guardian](#))
- New development: Climate consulting and the transformation of climate governance. An [article](#).
- A European agenda to navigate uncertain times. How to steer the EU towards wellbeing for all, now and in the future. A [report](#).
- A new social contract – a way to wellbeing for all? ([Daniela Negruti](#))
- Climate capabilities: realising the green transition. ([Lisa Pelling](#))
- Ecological labour or why environmentally friendly practices struggle to become mainstream. An [article](#).
- Eco-nomy: A green industrial policy for the next European Commission. ([Susi Dennison and Mats Engström](#))
- How Europe can fix its competitiveness problem. ([Jakob Hafele](#))
- Relocations—tilting the capital-labour balance. ([Silvia Borelli](#))
- The future of work: ready today for tomorrow. ([Barbara Gerstenberger](#))
- Independent science-based taxonomy: A new tool for sustainable finance. ([WWF](#))
- Switzerland breaks promise to end international government funding for fossil fuels ([Oil International](#))
- Closing the blue loops: Responsible and sustainable innovation in the fields of water and ocean. A [study](#).
- Breaking the gridlock: Overcoming political challenges to restore nature. ([CAN Europe](#))
- Nature priorities for the new EU mandate: European Habitat Forum proposals for the European Commission and Parliament. ([EEB](#))
- Q&A: How Denmark plans to tax agricultural emissions to meet climate targets. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- 'We are the first impacted by climate change': Why Europe's rural farmers support green policies. ([Euronews](#))
- The Loss and Damage Fund must not abandon fragile states. ([Adrianna Hardaway](#))

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Activities

- 2024-07-16 | Online | [Investors and human rights: Ways forward in a time of complexity](#)
- 2024-07-18 | Webinar | [Circular economy: An enabler for responsible banking](#)
- 2024-09-22 – 2024-09-23 | [Summit of the Future](#)

- 2024-09-23 – 2024-09-25 | [Global Renewables Summit](#)
- 2024-10-03 | [Building a just green transition – challenges and opportunities of eco-social policies](#)
- 2024-10-03 | [Future Generations Conference](#)
- 2024-10-09 – 2024-10-10 | [The International Mobility Summit](#)
- 2024-10-15 – 2024-10-17 | [Energy Storage Global Conference](#)
- 2024-11-18 – 2024-11-22 | [European Hydrogen Week](#)

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Commission documents

- 2024-09-11 | [State of the Energy Union Report](#)
- 2024-09-25 | [Communication on the European Research Area](#)
- 2024-10-30 | [Communication on Energy and Climate Diplomacy](#)



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