



General

- 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

- Second warmest September for the whole world and Europe. ([Copernicus](#), [Copernicus](#))
- How hotter oceans can lead to fiercer Atlantic hurricanes. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- News on the COP29 climate conference: [Politico](#), [Euronews](#), [Council](#), [CarbonBrief](#), [CAN Europe](#), [Greenpeace](#), [The Guardian](#), [WEF](#), [Climate Home News](#), [Climate Home News](#), [Climate Home News](#), [Euronews](#), [Climate Home News](#).
- Environment ministers discuss COP29 and COP16 biodiversity conference on 14 October ([Council](#))
- Hearings with new commissioners being prepared: [Politico](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [Euractiv](#), [EP](#), [EP](#).
- There will be a meeting of the European Council on 17 and 18 October. ([Council](#), [Briefing](#))
- Earth's 'vital signs' show humanity's future in balance, say climate experts. ([The Guardian](#), [BioScience](#), [Euronews](#))
- Climate warning: rivers drying up faster than 30 years ago. ([The Guardian](#), [WMO](#), [Euronews](#))
- Data shows hurricanes like Helene are twice as likely to occur due to global warming. ([The Guardian](#))
- Green solidarity: Guiding principles for a truly just social climate fund. ([EEB](#))
- A multi-model assessment of inequality and climate change. An [article](#).
- Heat stress thresholds are not designed for vulnerable groups. ([Chloe Brimicombe et al.](#))
- How to minimise the risks of exceeding the 1.5°C limit. An [article](#).
- Antarctica 'greening' at dramatic rate due to warming climate. ([The Guardian](#), [CarbonBrief](#))

- Water in a heated world. A new report. ([WBGU](#))
- Trump's plan to withdraw (again) from the Paris Agreement threatens global green transition efforts. ([Green Central Banking](#))
- Could the EU's Green Deal bring security benefits? ([Fabian Battaglini](#))
- Energy and carbon in the new political cycle. ([CEPS](#))
- The new European Commission - Reading the tea leaves and what it means for energy democracy. ([REScoop](#))
- The huge global growth of renewables until 2030 is expected to match the entire current power capacity of major economies, bringing the world closer to tripling the target. ([IEA](#), [Euronews](#))
- An electrification action plan to secure the future of EU industry. ([E3G](#))
- Revitalising Europe and providing clean energy. ([Eurelectric](#))
- The crucial role of battery storage in Europe's energy grid. ([Mads Lykke Andersen](#))
- EU and UK need to strengthen energy cooperation. ([WindEurope](#))
- New study debunks fossil fuel proponents' claim of "transition fuel". ([Climate Home News](#))
- New study on carbon storage: risks and recommendations for action. ([Öko-Institut](#))
- Understanding the data - what determines our material footprint? ([EEA](#))
- Cement co-processing process avoids up to 1 tonne of CO₂ emissions per tonne processed. ([WindEurope](#))
- Exposing the invisible: life-cycle policies for climate-neutral buildings. ([EEB](#))
- Future-proof buildings for energy security and fiscal stability. ([E3G](#))
- Resourceful thinking: why we need a better approach to critical resources. ([ECOS](#))
- Transport in Europe: some signs of progress, but difficult road to sustainability. A report. ([EEA](#))
- Commission proposal to impose tariffs on electric vehicle imports from China gets backing from EU member states. ([Commission](#), [Euractiv](#), [The Guardian](#))
- Czechia plans to push for major changes to EU's car emissions goals. ([Euractiv](#))
- Politicians flying less or not eating meat is 'missing link' in climate action. ([The Guardian](#))
- EU loses €13.3bn by 2025 due to tax exemption on jet fuel. ([Stay Grounded](#))
- Five ways EU eco-label is good for people and planet. ([META](#))
- EU brings product liability rules in line with digital age and circular economy. ([Council](#))
- Competitive, but at what price? ([Carbon Market Watch](#))
- The EU should rethink work beyond competitiveness. ([Maria Nyman](#))
- For a competitive European industrial policy. A report. ([Notre Europe](#))
- A clean industrial deal that ensures decarbonisation and competitiveness. ([Bruegel](#))
- A European post-growth green industrial policy. ([EEB](#))
- The EU 'People, skills, preparedness' agenda: A risky shift in social policy. ([Amandine Crespy and Bastian Kenn](#))
- NGOs and businesses make urgent call for EU to adopt greener budget and successor to Next Generation EU. ([Transport & Environment](#), [BirdLife](#), [WWF](#))
- SFDR: Three changes to make disclosure on sustainable finance useful. ([Reclaim Finance](#))
- 'Greenlaundering': an explosive risk for central banks. ([Green Central Banking](#))
- Capital markets union is not a solution to finance the Green Deal. ([Reclaim Finance](#))
- 85% of banks are still open to financing new coal, according to an analysis by the TPI Centre. ([LSE](#))
- ECB must take responsibility and stop loans that harm nature. ([WWF](#), [Green Central Banking](#))
- Europe led the way in saving nature. Now its decline could threaten global progress. ([Ajit Niranjana](#))

- Global biodiversity conference COP16 begins on 21 October. ([BirdLife](#), [IISD](#), [CarbonBrief](#), [IUCN](#), [Arnaud Schwartz](#), [SEI](#), [IDDRI](#), [CarbonBrief](#))
- Collapsing wildlife populations approach 'point of no return', warns report. ([The Guardian](#), [Living Planet Report](#), [WWF](#))
- Delay EU deforestation law must not lead to dilution. ([Nicole Polsterer](#))
- 'Equivalent to 18 million cars': Environmental groups warn that delay of EU deforestation law will fuel climate crisis. ([ICJ](#))
- Deforestation 'roaring back' despite 140-country vow to end destruction. ([The Guardian](#))
- Guidelance and recommendations for ambitious nature restoration plans. ([EEB](#))
- From farmers for farmers - and for healthy societies on a liveable planet. ([Arc2020](#))
- Time for a rethink to reverse the rapid decline of agriculture in Europe. ([Arc2020](#))
- Biases in statistics of 'sustainable finance' could be a barrier to providing loans to those who need them most. ([Nature](#))

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Activities

- 2024-10-15 – 2024-10-17 | [Energy Storage Global Conference](#)
- 2024-10-15 | Webinar | [The state of EU right to repair: missing pieces to a thriving repair economy in Europe](#)
- 2024-10-15 | Online | [The role of circular economy and bioeconomy in supporting sustainable agri-food systems to promote sustainable rural/ urban development in the EU](#)
- 2024-10-15 | Online | [Launch event of EEA report "Europe's state of water 2024"](#)
- 2024-10-16 | Online | [The sustainability transition of EU Food Systems: making progress or taking time?](#)
- 2024-10-17 | Hybrid | [Conference on Radioactive Waste Management : A Civil Society Perspective](#)
- 2024-10-17 | Online | [EU-US trade relations – What does the future hold?](#)
- 2024-10-17 | [Workshop on EU Paris-aligned and EU Climate Transition benchmarks](#)
- 2024-10-22 | Online | [Getting ready for the European green bond standard - Stakeholder workshop](#)
- 2024-10-29 | Online | [State of transition in the banking sector 2024](#)
- 2024-10-30 | [The future of the European raw materials industry - How can Europe remain competitive on the global stage?](#)
- 2024-10-30 | [Unlocking Industrial Electrification - The EU Electrification Action Plan](#)
- 2024-10-31 | Hybrid | [The Global Plastic Treaty negotiations: The dynamic between the EU's multilateral and internal green agenda](#)
- 2024-10-31 | Hybrid | [Environmental Law Lecture #17: The Global Plastic Treaty negotiations](#)
- 2024-10-31 | [Nourishing Europe - Financing the path to resilient and sustainable food systems](#)
- 2024-11-07 | Online | [Civil Society Dialogue on the impact of EU FTAs on key environmental aspects, including climate](#)
- 2024-11-07 | [20 years after. Perspectives on industrial relations in Central and Eastern Europe since the 2004 EU enlargement](#)
- 2024-11-07 | Online | [The Clean Industrial Deal: Decarbonizing Europe's energy-intensive industries?](#)

- 2024-11-13 | [The path to the climate neutrality of district heating systems - Solutions, regulations, technologies](#)
- 2024-11-13 | [Financing the green transition of the economy](#)
- 2024-11-15 | Hybrid | [Supporting companies in applying the European sustainability reporting standards](#)
- 2024-11-18 – 2024-11-22 | [European Hydrogen Week](#)
- 2024-11-19 | [Minimum income schemes and their role in the eco-social welfare state](#)
- 2024-11-20 | Online | [Just transition in Europe and beyond: The role of EU policies](#)
- 2024-12-03 – 2024-12-05 | [Sustainable Future Week](#)
- 2024-12-05 – 2024-12-06 | Hybrid | [Rethink Circularity: European Circular Economy Summit 2024](#)
- 2024-12-12 | [4th European EnerGreenDeal Conference](#)

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Commission documents

- 2024-10-22 | [Communication on the European Research Area](#)
- Tbc | [Communication on e-commerce](#)



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