



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

- Countries must close huge emissions gap in new climate pledges and take immediate action or 1.5°C will be lost. [Emissions Gap Report 2024](#). ([UNEP](#), [The Guardian](#), [Euronews](#), [New Scientist](#), [WWF](#), [CarbonBrief](#))
- News on the COP29 climate conference starting on 11 November ([UNFCCC](#), [ENB](#)): [EP](#), [Climate Home News](#), [Euronews](#), [The Guardian](#), [Climate Home News](#), [The Guardian](#), [Climate Home News](#).
- Commission takes further steps to help member states recover from climate disasters. ([Commission](#))
- Climate commissioner sees chance to reduce emissions through tax policy. ([Euronews](#))
- Climate change almost wipes out decline in global area burned by wildfires. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- What if. A socio-environmental agenda in a "security Europe"? ([ETUI](#))
- Council of Europe urges action on youth and climate change. ([Council of Europe](#))
- We don't know where the tipping point is: climate expert on possible collapse of Atlantic circulation. ([The Guardian](#), [Euronews](#))
- Solar surge will send coal power tumbling by 2030, IEA data reveals. ([CarbonBrief](#))
- North Sea countries set clear vision for wind power supply chain and grid expansion. ([WindEurope](#))
- What the boom in data centres and AI could mean for the power sector. ([IEA](#))
- Draghi report on energy issues: a confirmation of the European Commission's strategic agenda? ([Andreas Rüdinger](#))

- Electricity demand in Europe: growing or going? ([McKinsey](#))
- Heat pump manufacturers seek help from Commission for disappointing sales. ([Euronews](#))
- Q&A: Can “carbon border adjustment mechanisms” (CBAM) help tackle climate change? ([CarbonBrief](#))
- Europe’s prohibitive carbon capture and storage (CCS) plan could leave taxpayers with €140 billion bill. ([IEEFA](#))
- The EU's carbon removal certification framework. ([Ecologic](#))
- EU needs common standards to define ‘high-quality’ carbon credits, say emissions experts. ([Euractiv](#))
- Is carbon pricing becoming a taboo? ([Jean-Baptiste Vaujour](#))
- Strategies for reducing and removing greenhouse gas emissions throughout the life cycle of buildings: Impacts and diffusion potential in EU member states. An [article](#).
- Stakeholder perceptions and willingness to pay for circular economy in the construction sector. An [article](#).
- The missing consensus: An analysis of problem definitions and key motivations in the first zero draft of a global plastics treaty. An [article](#).
- Fossil fuel subsidies for company cars cost EU taxpayers €42 billion every year - new study. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- E-vans: All European capitals could be free of large petrol and diesel fleets by 2030. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- What's wrong with electric car prices? ([Lucien Mathieu](#))
- Europe's unspoken plan to decarbonise aviation. ([Euractiv](#))
- European Parliament approves more efficient and greener EU airspace. ([EP](#))
- Better use of rail infrastructure capacity. A [briefing](#).
- Smoke pollution from forest fires could cause an extra 12,000 deaths a year, new research suggests. ([The Guardian](#))
- Building water resilience. A briefing. ([Ecologic](#))
- EU drags its feet on tackling water pollution. ([EEB](#))
- EU delays ban on dangerous chemicals: Ombudsman. ([CAN Europe](#))
- Beyond safe limits: phasing out PFAS for a sustainable future. ([META](#))
- AI threatens more than creative jobs - it undermines our humanity. ([Daniel Mügge](#))
- Smart implementation of the European Green Deal. ([BirdLife](#))
- How the EU’s Green Deal is driving business reinvention. ([PWC](#))
- Sustainability and competition policy in Europe: recent developments. An [article](#).
- Deepening the single market in the light of the Letta and Draghi reports. A [briefing](#).
- Draghi says PPAs are good for EU competitiveness: all EU rules should reflect that. ([WindEurope](#), [SolarPower Europe](#))
- A blueprint for transforming EU industry through place-based innovation. ([CEPS](#))
- A just transition for the EU: what role for legislation? ([ETUI](#))
- Industrial relations, work and climate change. ([Valeria Pulignano, Jane Parker and Bianca Luna Fabris](#))
- EU Commission must intensify state aid checks for recovery and industrial policy. ([ECA](#))
- Why the ECB should consider green TLTROs once again. ([Green Central Banking](#))
- Making good on financial sector net zero commitments: building the road to policy. ([SEI](#))
- The COP16 global biodiversity conference began on 21 October ([CBD](#), [ENB](#)): [IPES Food](#), [Euractiv](#), [The Guardian](#), [The Guardian](#), [CIEL](#), [Commissie](#), [NPR](#), [WEF](#), [UN News](#), [DW](#), [WBCSD](#), [Greenpeace](#), [The Guardian](#), [An Lambrechts](#), [Cyril Kormos and Virginia Young](#), [CarbonBrief](#), [IEEP](#), [UN News](#), [Janice Weatherley-Singh](#), [The Guardian](#), [The Guardian](#), [META](#), [Laurel Sutherlin](#), [Jonathan Watts](#), [NPR](#), [Hailemariam Desalegn](#), [The Lancet](#), [Climate Home News](#), [Green Central Banking](#).

- Nature restoration as a means to meet LULUCF targets. ([CAN Europe](#))
- Nature restoration law: Austrian centre-right ÖVP abandons EU lawsuit. ([Euractiv](#))
- EUDR Delay: necessary or a step backwards? ([Jessica Scheimann](#))
- Biodiversity-friendly farming practices can contribute to sustainable, resilient agriculture. ([EEA](#))
- Bridging continents - Examining the state of nature-based solutions in the EU and Latin America and the Caribbean. A report. ([Ecologic](#))
- Cultivating sustainability: the role of European food systems in advancing the SDGs. ([JRC](#))
- European Central Bank holds back plan to boost climate finance for Africa, Latam. ([Climate Home News](#))
- Leveraging green industrialisation for a just transition - Africa-Europe cooperation. ([ETTG](#))
- Joint report explores options for coordinated approach to climate action, carbon pricing and policy spillovers. ([UNCTAD](#))

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Activities

- 2024-10-28 | Online | [Policy engagement to accelerate adaptation action](#)
- 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](#)
- 2024-10-31 | Online | [Cities and Buildings in Transition: Systems Change for a Resilient Future](#)
- 2024-11-04 | Webinar | [The Global Landscape of Climate Finance 2024: Insights for COP29](#)
- 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?](#)
- 2024-11-12 | [Circularity in the automotive sector - The end-of-life vehicles regulation proposal](#)
- 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](#)
- 2024-11-15 | Hybrid | [Organic food: good for farmers, workers, climate, and the environment](#)
- 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](#)
- 2024-11-20 | [Automated vehicles - A roadmap for the future?](#)
- 2024-11-21 | [Strengthening participation in Europe's energy transition](#)
- 2024-12-03 | [‘Made in Europe’: a fair industrial policy for wind power manufacturing](#)
- 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](#)
- 2025-02-13 – 2025-02-14 | [Cyborg workers 2.0. The past, present and future of automated labour - the social and environmental costs of big tech](#)

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Commission documents

- 2024-11-26 | [European Semester Package](#)



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