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- The [Political Guidelines 2024-2029](#).
- The Commission has published [the work programme for 2026](#).

Current affairs

- How much closer has the world come to 1.5°C of global warming since the Paris Agreement? ([Copernicus](#))
- Greenhouse gas concentrations have once again reached record levels. ([WMO](#))
- The UN's COP31 international climate conference will take place from 9 to 20 November. ([COP31](#), [ENB](#), [WWF](#), [UNCC](#), [Oil Change International](#), [Climate Home News](#), [2026 NDC Synthesis Report](#), [Jurema Werneck](#), [Ruhut Sena Akşener](#) and [Samantha Klintworth](#), [E3G](#), [Tanuj Samaddar](#), [Global Witness](#), [Oil Change International](#), [CarbonBrief](#))
- The Commission presents a framework for climate resilience to ensure a better-prepared and better-protected Europe. ([Commission](#), [WWF](#), [EU Research & Innovation](#), [BirdLife](#), [Politico](#), [Wetlands International](#), [CAN Europe](#), [ESG Today](#), [Insurance Europe](#), [EEA](#), [E3G](#), [EEB](#), [WRI](#), [Adèle Tanguy](#))
- Amending the Methane Regulation. A [briefing](#).
- Respecting the boundaries: balancing climate adaptation and Earth system resilience. ([Stockholm Resilience Centre](#))
- Managing systemic climate risks: comparative insights into cascade effects, extreme outcomes and policy coherence. An [article](#).
- Climate change must be declared a health crisis, as the health risks can no longer be ignored. ([Euronews](#), [WHO](#))
- Integrating health into climate adaptation at sub-national level. ([EEA](#))
- 'Hybrid weapon of war': Why climate disinformation could pose a growing threat to public health. ([Euronews](#), [Global Climate & Health Alliance](#))
- A report reveals that the super-rich are benefiting from a 'double dividend' by profiting from both the causes and the costs of the climate crisis. ([The Guardian](#), [Oxfam](#), [Euronews](#))
- The oil industry is making an extra 36 billion euros in the EU thanks to fuel prices driven up by the war in Iran. ([Greenpeace](#))
- The climate crisis will destroy our economies – we've known this for twenty years. When are we finally going to do something about it? ([Fiona Harvey](#))
- Energy ministers met on 29 October. ([Council](#), [ehpa](#), [SolarPower Europe](#))

- Europe's energy security requires a renewable energy target for 2040. ([Walburga Hemetsberger and Tinne Van der Straeten](#))
- New Solar Balance of System report uncovers the hidden components with a rising role. ([SolarPower Europe](#))
- The need to maintain the stability of the Renewable Energy Directive within the post-2030 energy framework. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Workforce needs of the European Green Deal: the case of solar and wind power installations. An [article](#).
- Power Struggles: Green Energy's Missing Workers. ([Samir Jeraj](#))
- Energy prices were the driving force behind the rise in inflation across the eurozone against the backdrop of the war against Iran. ([Greenpeace](#))
- Cost-optimal versus policy-driven scenarios for a low-carbon European energy system. An [article](#).
- Revision of the EU Emissions Trading System. ([EESC](#))
- Why the integration of carbon credits into the ETS undermines the EU's climate ambition. ([Carbon Market Watch](#))
- The climate cost of a loose ETS cap. ([Carbon Market Watch](#))
- What is the 'polluter pays' principle, and how does it work? ([Global Witness](#))
- How far is the European Union still from a carbon-free building stock? An [article](#).
- Proposal for heating efficiency standards for Europe. ([Bruegel](#))
- Structural improvements to tackle energy poverty had the greatest impact on thermal comfort and health. An [article](#).
- Recycling carbon pricing revenues for a socially just transition – Good practices and lessons for Social Climate Plans. ([BPIE](#))
- EIB signs framework agreement with Canada on critical raw materials. ([Politico](#))
- Expanding European battery recycling through the Circular Economy Act. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- Every year, criminals earn billions of dollars from the illegal trade in natural resources. This was discussed at a major conference in Vienna. ([UNTOC](#), [ENB](#))
- EU-wide criteria for the end-of-waste status in the recycling of textiles and textile-related waste. ([JRC](#))
- Putting the pieces of the puzzle together: a systems-oriented approach to the transition to a circular economy. An [article](#).
- The challenge for the circular economy in Europe lies not in a lack of ambition, but in a lack of systems. ([Elisabeth Hoffmann](#))
- A Change Is a Change Is a Change - or Is It? Reframing Transition Scenarios through Socio-Metabolic Substitution. An [article](#).
- The circular economy as a moderator of the relationship between green innovation and industrialisation: findings based on environmental performance in the EU-27 countries, 2000–2024. An [article](#).
- The circular economy could save trillions and boost Europe's competitiveness. ([EESC](#))
- Why an agreement between France and Germany will not save the European car industry. ([Politico](#))
- From barrel to battery: what will Europe's clean car debate decide. ([Lucien Mathieu](#))
- Boosting employment: employment in the context of the EU CO₂ standards for passenger cars. ([ICCT](#))
- European Car Market Monitor: September 2026. ([ICCT](#))
- What Europe can learn from China if it wants to save its industry. ([William Todts](#))
- The zombie engine: how Brussels bureaucrats are breathing new life into the internal combustion engine. ([Lucien Mathieu](#))

- Misconceptions about mobility growth. ([Arie Bleijenberg](#))
- According to an influential Dutch researcher, it will be just ten years before you can book a flight on an electric aeroplane in Europe. ([Euronews](#))
- Greenhouse gas emissions from commercial aviation in 2023. ([ICCT](#))
- Multimodal bookings: proposed EU rules to help travellers plan and book journeys. A [briefing](#).
- The EU demonstrates how regional maritime regulations can support a global framework within the IMO. ([Transport & Environment](#))
- More targeted measures are needed to tackle the unequal impact of noise pollution on vulnerable groups. ([EEA](#))
- The big tech companies' campaign to undermine data protection in Europe. ([CEO](#))
- AI sell-off would rattle global economy, EU watchdog warns. ([Politico](#))
- Chips Act 2.0: A boost for the EU's semiconductor industry. A [briefing](#).
- Data centres for grids: the potential impact of flexibility. ([Ember](#))
- Electric shocks, 'psychological terror' and withheld wages: the exploited workers building Europe's data centres. ([Investigate Europe](#), [The Guardian](#))
- Will humanity be destroyed by AI or by the climate crisis? We can ensure that neither happens. ([Adam McKay and Philip Eubanks](#))
- The power dividend: lessons from China for the EU's technological sovereignty. ([Ahana Datta Fasel](#))
- 'Made in Europe': yet another missed opportunity in the Mediterranean region. ([Guillaume Duval](#))
- Reducing demand in sectors that are difficult to electrify can limit the risks of resistance. ([Stockholm Resilience Centre](#))
- Unlocking green steel without being tied to gas. ([IEEFA](#))
- Measuring the Right Things Reveals a Stronger Europe. ([Magalí Brosio and Enrico Giovannini](#))
- 'Beyond GDP': a policy guide for sustainable and inclusive well-being in Europe. ([MERGE](#))
- Is Europe lagging behind? A comparison between the EU and the US using an interdisciplinary well-being framework. An [article](#).
- What if more spending isn't always the solution? Preventing damage before it occurs. ([Katherine Trebeck](#))
- Recovery and Resilience Facility: Annual Report 2026. A [briefing](#).
- The EU–Canada Summit took place on 29 and 30 October. ([Council](#), [Politico](#), [Politico](#), [Euronews](#), [Rapporteur](#), [EUObserver](#), [The Guardian](#), [Politico](#), [Politico](#), [Rapporteur](#), [Varg Folkman](#), [Ilke Toygür](#))
- 'Don't focus on the Chinese trade surplus', warns the president of the European Chamber of Commerce in China. ([Rapporteur](#))
- Making imported emissions count – Strengthening the climate dimension of EU trade and external economic policy. ([IEEP](#))
- The EU Platform on Sustainable Finance warns against less stringent rules on sustainability reporting for companies outside the EU. ([WWF](#), [Platform on Sustainable Finance](#))
- A reshuffle in the ECB's leadership jeopardises the ECB's green objectives. ([Politico](#))
- Climate risks and sustainable finance: bridging the gap between policy, research and practice. ([BDE](#))
- How climate transition planning could help reduce a company's cost of debt. ([E3G](#))
- From retail-accessible to retail-facing: green finance for EU households. ([CEPS](#))
- 1.25 million people are telling the EU: stop watering down nature conservation legislation. ([WWF](#), [ClientEarth](#))
- Roswall: 'Simplification does not mean we have to scale back our ambitions'. ([Rapporteur](#))

- The International Biodiversity Conference COP17 took place from 19 to 30 October. ([CBD](#), [ENB](#), [Greenpeace](#), [Stockholm Resilience Centre](#), [UNEP FI](#), [WWF](#), [The Guardian](#))
- Marine Protected Areas in the EU: the challenge of moving from paper to the sea. ([ECA](#), [WWF](#), [Client Earth](#))
- Ensuring high-quality urban nature across Europe. ([EcoLogic](#))
- Taking action for nature: the role of business and the circular economy. ([International Resource Panel](#), [UNEP](#))
- Payments for ecosystem services and their effects on health and well-being: a systematic review. An [article](#).
- Encouraging private-sector contributions to multilateral funds for biodiversity conservation. ([LSE](#))
- Trump has set his sights on the deep sea. Will Europe stop him? ([Monica Verbeek](#))
- MFF 2028–2034: Council strengthens its negotiating position for a robust and forward-looking Common Agricultural Policy. ([Council](#))
- The Council publishes figures on international climate finance for 2025. ([Council](#))

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Activities

- 2026-11-02 | [NetworkNature Science-Policy Dialogue: Nature Restoration](#)
- 2026-11-03 | Webinar | [COP31: Can we boost electrification and shift away from fossil fuels?](#)
- 2026-11-04 | [Climate Change Stocktaking: How the EU is tackling the new climate reality](#)
- 2026-11-05 | [Simplification, implementation and enforcement of EU law](#)
- 2026-11-05 | [Worn to Last: Designing Circular Fashion](#)
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- 2026-11-12 | [EU ETS – Foundation for a Green Steel Ecosystem](#)
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- 2026-11-18 | [From ambition to action - Is the Critical Raw Materials Act delivering for nickel?](#)
- 2026-11-19 | [The clean tech challenge: How to fuse R&I, energy and decarbonisation strategies?](#)
- 2026-11-19 | [Warm en koel genoeg, voor iedereen - Le confort thermique pour toutes et tous](#)
- 2026-12-01 | [Job quality in a turbulent era](#)
- 2026-12-03 | [Energy & Environment Policy Conference 2026](#)
- 2026-12-03 | [Drought as a systemic hazard: Understanding and Managing Complex Climate Risks](#)
- 2026-12-08 | [Capital today, higher emissions tomorrow? New indicators for climate resilience in the financial sector](#)
- 2026-12-10 | [EU-China relations - Rebalancing trade while keeping Europe competitive](#)
- 2027-04-28 | [Sustainable Finance Conference 2027](#)

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Commission documents

- 2026-11-04 | [2027 Commission work programme](#) | [2026 annual overview report on simplification, implementation and enforcement](#) | [Education and skills package](#) | [European strategy on sustainable tourism](#)
- 2026-11-11 | [Consumer package](#) - Digital Fairness Act - Consumer enforcement initiative
- 2026-11-18 | [Circular Economy Act](#) - [Quantum Act](#) - [Advanced Materials Act](#)
- 2026-11-24 | [European Semester autumn package](#)



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