

## **FEAD BULLETIN**

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Hello from Brussels. As always, we bring to you all the latest news on circular economy in Europe and beyond. Big news: FEAD experts have finalised and submitted four informal documents to next week's Joint Meeting of the RID Committee of Experts and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, in Geneva (international agreements for technical rules of the transport by road (ADR)/rail (RID) of dangerous goods, also applying to waste).

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# **Last call for Speakers!**

FEAD is looking for a speaker/expert to participate at the Product Sustainability Summit 2022 on 24-25 October in Amsterdam. The speaker will present on "Traceability from a recycler's perspective including the role of the SCIP dissemination portal".

Please provide us with the name of interested persons by <u>13 September COB</u>.

# **EU** institutions monitoring

Renewable Energy Directive (REDIII): Ahead of the vote in the plenary next Tuesday, 13 September, FEAD voices concerns over the legal consequences of some EP amendments regarding the status of biowaste on the revision of the REDIII revision, to ensure that the definition of biomass continues to cover "the biodegradable fraction waste". See more at

the <u>interview</u> of FEAD Secretary General, Valerie Plainemaison by the Dutch Waste Management Association.

### **Waste Shipment Regulation**

MEPs' meeting (shadows) on the revision of the Waste Shipment regulation of 7 September was cancelled. With a compromise among political groups being still an uncertain scenario, MEPs have postponed voting in the ENVI committee in principle in November, instead of October. The vote in the plenary could thus possibly take place in December.

**ESR:** Technical negotiations on the "effort sharing regulation" were held this week on 8-9 September, and are scheduled to continue next Tuesday. COREPERI Ambassadors were also debriefed on Tuesday on the outcome of the trilogue.

**Protection of the environment through criminal law:** Europe's lawmakers are divided over the absence of an autonomous definition of environmental offences. The Council of the EU's Working Party on Judicial Cooperation in Criminal Matters (COPEN) held discussions on the draft directive on 7 September.

#### **Textile Strategy**

Shadow rapporteurs have been appointed in the Environment Committee. EPP Pernille Weiss, Susana Solís Pérez from Renew Europe and Pär Holmgren from the Greens will be negotiating with Delara Burkhardt from the S&Ds, to draft the EP report on the textile strategy.

#### **Batteries Regulation:**

Three meetings were held between teams from the European Parliament, the Czech Presidency of the EU Council and the European Commission, as battery and battery waste regulation negotiations have resumed at technical level.

## **FEAD Events calendar**

- 12-16 September, Geneva: RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting: Joint Meeting of the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and the RID Committee of Experts.
  - During the meeting, FEAD will present four informal documents, to receive further input from the national delegations. The proposals will then be fined-

tuned accordingly and, where appropriate, resubmitted as formal documents for approval of the Joint Meeting in following sessions.

- <u>22 September</u>, Prague : <u>Public Conference</u> on "Greater Energy and Material Security in EU Countries", co-organised by CAObH and FEAD
- 4 October, Strasbourg: Parliamentary dinner organised ahead of the revision of the WFD. Co-organised by FEAD with EURiC, CEWEP, Municipal Waste Europe.
   Notice: not open to the public
- 24-25 October, Amsterdam: Public conference "Product Sustainability Summit
  2022" a FEAD representative to be a speaker
- <u>15-16 November</u>, Rotterdam: Public conference on Paper and Plastic recycling a
  FEAD representative to be a speaker

## **Ongoing Surveys and Consultations**

• Plastic Packaging: The Commission opened on 6 September a public consultation on its draft act regarding the format for reporting the statistical data needed to calculate national contributions based on the non-recycled plastic packaging waste in each EU country were introduced as a new revenue source (own resource) to the 2021-2027 EU budget. The Commission wants to ensure that the annual statements that Member States send it on the amount generated by this own resource introduced in 2021 are comparable and based on the same statistics.

The deadline to submit feedback on the EC draft act is 4 October 2022.

• Follow-up from the COP 15 of the Basel Convention

Parties and observers have been <u>invited</u> to submit feedback on several topics. You can find all the information <u>online</u>.

Waste containing POPs:

**REMINDER**: Please let us know by <u>30 September 2022</u> if you would like to *comment* on the technical guidelines.

• Plastic waste management:

Deadline by <u>8 September 2022.</u> If you have any general comments and/or textual proposals you would like to share with the BC Secretariat.

o ESM:

Please let us know if you would like to submit any feedback.

• PIC procedure:

**REMINDER**: If interested in submitting feedback to the Basel Convention, please provide us with possible further/more detailed information (challenges, best practices, possible approaches) by <u>31 October COB.</u>

- Preliminary draft structure of a new version of the Classification of Products by Activity (CPA)
  - REMINDER: Last chance to provide us with comments by 16 September
    COB, on the <u>preliminary draft structure</u> of a new version of the CPA classification.

## Webinars & Conferences

- The European Carbon Capture & Storage (CCS) Industry Summit
  - 14-15 September 2022 in London, UK. Find out more here.
- International Congress for Battery Recycling ICBR 2022
  - 14-16 September in Salzburg, Austria. Find out more <u>here</u>.
- Chemical Recycling Europe Annual Conference:
  - o 13-14 October 2022 in Brussels, Belgium. Find out more here.
- European Commission: Circular Week
  - 3-9 October 2022 in Brussels, Belgium. Find out more <u>here</u>

# Press Review, Reports & EU news

Green energy lobby says efficiency key to higher EU renewables target. A study funded by Austria's climate action ministry showed that the share of renewable energy in Europe's consumption mix could approach 60% by 2030 if lawmakers can agree on more ambitious cuts to energy consumption and provided that non-financial barriers are removed. Read more from ENDS.

European soils hold potential for stronger climate action. According to a European Environment Agency (EEA) briefing, given that European soils can both remove carbon from the atmosphere or emit greenhouse gas emissions, Leaked emergency power plan receives mixed response from MEPs. The

Commission's leaked plan to introduce a €200/MWh price cap on inframarginal electricity sources – such as renewables and nuclear, along with mandatory targets to cut peak power consumption by 5% in areas where average monthly prices are above €200/MWh, has raised concerns among MEPs, who warned over economic discrepancies among member-states. Read more from ENDS.

Who joined what. The European Commission appointed Alessandra Zampieri as Director 'Sustainable Resources' and Guy Van den Eede as Director 'Health, Consumers and

mitigation actions can reduce the loss of carbon and have important co-benefits on biodiversity. *Read more from* **EEA**.

Reference Materials' at the Joint Research Centre (JRC).

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