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Hello from Brussels. Europe's lawmakers adopted on **1 June** recommendations pushing for sustainable and **circular textiles**. With a resounding 600 votes in favor, MEPs are determined to empower consumers and crack down on greenwashing. They also want the upcoming revision of the Waste Framework Directive to include specific targets for textile waste prevention, collection, reuse, and recycling.

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Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR): Agriculture Ministers Express Concerns Over Single-Use Packaging Restrictions, Citing Potential Food Waste and Safety Issues, ENDS Europe Reports.

- Negotiations Begin: Council Experts and ENVI Committee Rapporteurs Discuss Compromise Text on Environmental Proposal

Renewable Energy Directive (RED): France Seeks Clarity and Technical Adjustments in RED Trilogue Agreement, Contexte Reports.

Carbon Removal Certification: Lawmakers Seek Clarity on EU's Carbon Removal Certification Framework, as ENVI Finalises Position, ENDS Europe Reports.

Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR): MEPs to Vote on Draft Report and any Compromise Amendments on Ecodesign Regulation on 15 June, Contexte Reports.

Waste Shipments Regulation (WSR): Negotiators Initiate Discussions on Waste Export Rules in Trilogue Meeting, Pernille Weiss to Brief ENVI MEPs on 5 June.

Net-Zero Emissions Regulation (NZIA): Debate over 'Net Zero Emission Industry' Regulation Divides MEPs in European Parliament, Contexte Reports.

- Parliamentary Report Proposes 'Zero-Emission Industry Valleys' and Streamlined Assessments

Critical Raw Materials (CRM): MEPs Propose Circularity Measures and Ambitious Amendments for Critical Raw Materials Regulation, Include Recycling, Reuse, Repair, Improve Sorting and Treatment Processes, Contexte Reports.

- Swedish Presidency Proposes Higher Recycling Targets and Treatment Capacity in Compromise on CRM Regulation Published by Contexte.

EU Strategy for Sustainable and Circular Textiles: Parliament Overwhelmingly Supports Draft Report on Sustainable Textile Strategy, Urges Action on Greenwashing and Waste Reduction.

Protection of the environment through criminal law: Concerns Raised by MEP Manders Over Prospects of Agreement on Environmental Criminal Law Directive under Swedish Presidency.

Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD): Parliament Adopts Strong Position on CSDDD, Securing Victory in Defining Business Responsibilities for Human

Rights and Environment.

Plastics Treaty: Negotiations Begin for Global Treaty on Plastic Pollution with Ambitious Targets and Financial Responsibility.

Gas Package: Swedish Presidency Paves the Way for Smooth Transition: Technical Meetings on Gas Package Prior to Handover to Spanish Presidency, Sources Told Contexte.

News from the upcoming Spanish Presidency of the Council of the EU: Spanish Minister Says Upcoming General Elections Will Not Affect Presidency of the Council of the EU Priorities, Contexte Reports.

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EU Biomethane Target
Joint letter to Member States, 23 May 2023


16 industry associations and 17 companies of the gas and biomethane value chains and end-use sectors call for a binding target of 35 bcm biomethane in the Gas Regulation.

The banner features a grid of logos for the following organizations: Clasp public groups, COGEN EUROPE, CEDEC, Ceramie-unie, ehi, EBA, ECN, eurogas, EUROFER, FEAD, GEODE, GD4S, GIE, mwe, Water Europe, SEA-LNG, ARKEMA, Arla, AIDA, CMA CGM, Costa, Gasum, HEINEKEN, HEPPNER, msc, IVECO GROUP, P&G, Pernod Ricard, Renault Group, SCANIA, SUEZ, transdev, and VEOLIA.


Ahead of the gas package trilogue scheduled for 1 June, 16 industry associations and 17 companies have joined forces, calling on Member States to include a 35 bcm biomethane binding target in the Gas Regulation! 📌 We propose the introduction of a

new article setting an EU binding biomethane target of 35 bcm/year, leaving flexibility to Member States to define national strategies for its achievement. Read our joint letter [here](#).



 **JOB OPPORTUNITY:** FEAD is looking for a visionary Secretary General to represent Europe's private resource and waste management industry. Lead a dynamic team, collaborate with key stakeholders, and make a tangible impact on Europe's waste management sector. Your skills in lobbying and networking will enable you to effectively advocate for FEAD's positions to EU legislators, ensuring our industry's voice is heard. If you are a strategic thinker, a skilled communicator, and have a passion for driving change, click the [link provided by Mavence](#) and submit your application through their platform!



 **JOB ALERT:** FEAD is looking for a full-time **Junior Communications Officer** to start as soon as possible! Located in the heart of Brussels, close to the EU institutions, FEAD provides an exceptional opportunity to work in a European trade association representing

the private waste management and resource industry. as a Junior Communications Officer, you'll play a pivotal role in our association, driving day-to-day communications to enhance visibility and outreach. Your efforts will ensure that FEAD's policy proposals and campaign messages reach the right eyes and ears, making a tangible difference.

📌 To **apply**, send your CV and cover letter to recruitment@fead.be with the subject line "Junior Communications Officer application". Interviews will be conducted on a rolling basis until the position is filled.



FEAD Informal Working Group on Waste

ADR MEETING ON PACKAGING

30 May 2023, Brussels, Belgium



Read more on our website:
<https://fead.be/adr/>



On 30 May, FEAD hosted an Informal Working Group meeting on Waste, with a specific focus on packaging matters in the Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR). We extend our sincere gratitude to the experts from 12 countries and FEAD members for their contributions and stimulating discussions!



Key Takeaways from FEAD's Technical Officer, Paolo Campanella's webinar presentation on the European Commission's packaging legislation and the key role of the waste management industry, held during the **Digital Green Week on 30 May**. The webinar was enriched by the presentation of Monica Harting Pfeifer from REMONDIS and Mirko Bottolo from I.BLU Gruppo IREN, who presented case studies on plastic recycling. A big thank you to the organisers, Ecomondo, for hosting this insightful webinar and providing a platform to discuss the future of packaging and waste management.

Coming up:

- **6 June 2023** – FEAD General Assembly
- **8 June 2023** - FEAD Technical Officer, Paolo Campanella at EBIC High Level Summit on Implementing circular economy in agriculture: from aspiration to reality, Brussels
- **20-22 June 2023** – FEAD visits plants in Italy
- **28-29 June 2023** – FEAD Legal & Policy Officer, Aizea Astor Hoschen at E-waste conference, Panel on Illegal Shipments, Frankfurt
- **SAVE THE DATE - 6 July 2023** – FEAD Strategic Workshop at CEN/CENELEC (networking dinner to be held on 5 June)



The green technology expoEcomondo: Call for Papers

The call for papers for this years Ecomondo is officially open. Interested parties can submit an abstract on a core theme of the Expo on the website. Until 30 June 2023, it is possible to [submit an abstract](#) dedicated to a research project, best practice or successful experience and be included as a speaker in the conference programme of Ecomondo 2023.

This year's trade fair and expo will host more than 100 conferences and workshops on innovation best practices, policy and regulatory issues, research and innovation priorities and funding opportunities, entrepreneurship, international networking and partnership creation, financing, education and communication in the Green and Circular Economy and Green Deal sectors.

The core topics of Ecomondo

A number of the conferences are open to contributions from delegates, representatives and researchers from the public and private sectors, regulators and society, who will be able to integrate the contributions of invited experts with their own experiences, views and best practices from different sectors and countries. The [Ecomondo 2023 Call for Papers](#) is linked to the core themes of the exhibition: waste treatment and resource recovery, water cycle and blue economy, industrial symbiosis for the circular economy, energy from forests, indoor air quality and odour emissions, sustainable strategies for the remediation of polluted sites.

Ecomondo will take place from **7-10 November 2023 in Rimini, Italy.**



How the EU's money for waste went to waste in Lebanon

EUobserver: Across Lebanese neighborhoods, uncollected garbage piled up steadily, rotting in the blazing heat, and stinking the place down. In fact, pollution from trash fires and waste chucking in the Mediterranean was spilling over the country's borders. What sounds like a dystopian sci-fi was Beirut in 2015 after an overflowing landfill closed without an alternative site in place. The fumes from the site were so pungent that they forced residents to shut their windows. Years later those very windows were blown to smithereens because of the Beirut port explosion.

