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Hello from Brussels. RED was adopted by the European Commission. Meanwhile, per usual, PPWR has sparked many reactions from politicians to NGOs and companies. At FEAD, we launched our search for a new colleague: an environmental and technical Officer. Find out more below!

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FEAD is organising a **conference on PFAS in the waste sector at ECOMONDO on 8 November**. Join us for this exciting event!

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Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR): FEAD has received the updated version of the Compromise Agreements by MEP Frederique Ries (Renew, Belgium).

[Contexte](#) published a note from the Spanish Presidency on PPWR.

100 NGOs and companies released a [position paper](#) on PPWR on 9 October. They're asking for shared responsibility between producers and distributors and more ambitious goals.

Waste Framework Directive (WFD): The European Rapporteur, MEP Anna Zalewska (CRE, Poland) wants to [revise](#) the definition of recycling to include the production of fuels.

Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive: A general approach text by the Spanish Presidency has been presented to COREPER I on 4 October. This text will be submitted for approval today, 16 October to the ministers of Environment during their meeting in Luxembourg.

7 Member States published a ['non-paper'](#) stating that they are worried the new Directive will be less effective.

Critical Raw Materials (CRM): Contexte [reveals](#) that a new Trilogue will take place on 24 October during which the recycling goal fixed by the European Commission will be

addressed.

Renewable Energy Directive (RED): On 9 October, the European Council [voted](#) in favour of the [text](#) negotiated with the European Parliament.

Net-zero Industry act (NZIA): [Contexte](#) has obtained Compromise agreements that have been negotiated at the European Parliament.

FEAD has sent a joint [position paper](#) with EURIC and PRE to the permanent representations of the Member States and the ITRE Rapporteur and shadow Rapporteurs to insist on the inclusion of recycling technologies.

Ecodesign: The second Trilogue, planned for 10 October did not take place. It is now scheduled for 7 November.

Polluters-Pay-Principle (PPP): A summary [report](#) has been published. It gives an overview of the number of responses, the type of respondents, their country of origin and awareness of the PPP.

Industrial Emissions Directive (IED): On 10 October, the second Trilogue took place during which the European Parliament and the Member States did not find any common ground.

Waste-to-energy: The European Commission has authorised a [300 Million French aid](#) for investments in energy sourced from waste.

Soil Monitoring Directive: AGRI has obtained some shared competences (with ENVI) but the ENVI Committee remains the one in charge of the topic.

Electronic waste (Ewaste): The Commission adopted its [Recommendation](#) to improve the rate of return of used and waste mobile phones, tablets and laptops and their chargers. The recommendations aim to support national authorities to ensure maximum collection rates and subsequent re-use, repair, refurbishment and recovery of these small electronic devices.

Textiles: The Association of Cities and Regions for sustainable Resource management (ACR+) has published a study report on [Recommendations and good practices for local used textile management](#).

Circular Fashion: The Bocconi School of Management has published its 2023 [Report for Circular Fashion](#) with a quote from FEAD's Senior Legal and Policy Officer, Aizea Astor-Hoschen:

'Legislation or measures that establish or promote ownership or restricted access over specific waste streams must be avoided as they restrict the free market and competition, which compromises the quality of the recycling process.

The free functioning of markets for waste and recyclates is key for a circular economy, as it ensures competition on a level playing field and it allows for further innovation both, in the production processes, and in the subsequent management of the waste.'

European Union (EU): The leaders of the European Union have released the [Granada declaration](#).

European Commission (EC): Maros Sefcovic has appointed Lukas Visek as responsible for questions on agriculture, Helena Braun for the Circular Economy, Dino Toljan for Climate Action and Aleksandra Baranska for Energy.

On 9 October, Wopke Hoekstra was officially named European Commissioner for Climate Action by the [EU Council](#) until the end of the office term of the Commission (31 October 2024).

Chemicals: The European Commission has given ECHA a restriction project on chromium trioxide because it is reputed to be carcinogenic.

European Parliament (EP): On 12 October, Renew Europe announced that their candidate for the Vice-President of the European Parliament is Martin Hojsik (Renew, Slovakia).

FEAD news: FEAD is [recruiting](#) a new Environmental and Technical Officer! We're looking for someone with 1-2 years of experience in waste, circular economy or chemistry; ideally with experience of working in political science and EU public affairs.





FEAD is hosting a conference at ECOMONDO, in Rimini, Italy, on November 8, focused on:

PFAS in the waste sector

The European Chemical Agency (ECHA) presented a report on the presence of PFAS in waste streams in April. This report states that the chemical should be massively restricted, even though it is already largely regulated. This restriction could have a major impact on the waste sector. In order to give Member States a clearer view of the situation, FEAD is performing, in collaboration with the University of Padova, a systematic critical review of the scientific literature to collect PFAS concentration ranges in waste items categorized within the relevant four waste categories: plastic waste; paper and cardboard waste; textile and leather waste; and metal waste. The conference on Wednesday the 8, will provide the results of the first part of this study.

The event will start with two 20-minute **presentations: one of the report by ECHA and the second one the results of the Critical review.** A **panel discussion** will follow, featuring high-level experts in different area of this field. A **Q&A** with the public will close the event.

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ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION: PRIORITIES FOR THE PLANET

Where are we in Europe with the circularity objectives set for 2030? What are the future scenarios and opportunities for development of the sectors involved? What state are our marine and

terrestrial ecosystems in? Also, what is the European landscape in terms of regulations, investments and available funds? These are just some of the questions which will be addressed during the international schedule of Ecomondo.

Ecomondo is the key international event in Europe and the Mediterranean basin for green and circular economy, it is held from 7th to 10th November 2023 in Rimini and every year it hosts a high-quality programme of conferences, seminars and events.

Thanks to an increasing presence of trade visitors and general visitors from all over the world, to the involvement of entities such as the **European Commission, FAO, OECD, ISWA International** and to the hard work and coordination of the **Technical Scientific Committee**, there is a growing number of **international events** on schedule at Ecomondo.

From 7th to 10th November 2023, there will be a series of meetings throughout the various agorà and congress rooms, involving authoritative speakers, associations, decision makers, the world of research and institutions which are set to turn the event into **an opportunity to stay up-to-date on regulatory aspects, technological developments, finance, training and good practices** applied to the world of the circular economy, bio and blue economy, soil regeneration and much more.

Don't miss this opportunity and join Ecomondo in **Rimini**, from **7th to 10th November 2023!** We are waiting for you!



EFRAG will hold its annual Conference 2023 "European corporate reporting: two pillars for success" in cooperation with the European Commission and with in-person participation of Commissioner Mairead McGuinness on 28 November 2023 in Brussels.

High-level speakers and panelists will share their views on accomplishments and challenges ahead in the field of sustainability reporting, debate the new developments in financial reporting and address the latest trends to connect both areas in the fast-evolving environment of corporate reporting.

- When : Tuesday 28 November 2023, 9:00 - 17:15 CET followed by drinks.
- Where : The Hotel Brussels, 38 Bd de Waterloo. This is a physical event with online participation possibility. In-person registration is subject to confirmation.

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A screenshot of the RECYCLING magazine website. The header includes the magazine title 'RECYCLING magazine' and the tagline 'Trends, Analyses, Opinions and Facts for the Recycling Industry'. Below the header is a navigation menu with categories: NEWS, MATERIALS, MAGAZINE, SERVICES, and PUBLISHING HOUSE. The main content area features an article titled 'German CO2-tax will soon change European waste streams' with a sub-headline 'The national BEHG-taxation on CO2 emissions brings new costs to the German EfW-industry from early next year.' and a date '05.10.2023'. To the right, there is a sidebar for 'INTERNATIONAL EDITION' showing a magazine cover for 'RECYCLING magazine Summer 2023 03 / 2023' with buttons for 'Content', 'Order', and 'Archive'.

A screenshot of the euobserver website. The header features the 'euobserver' logo, social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Instagram, and a 'Join EUobserver' button. Below the header, the page is categorized as 'SECTION / OPINION'. The main headline reads 'The greenwashing scam behind EU's 'grey' hydrogen'.

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FEAD mentions in the Press:

Euinsider: [Fead appoints Paolo Campanella as new Secretary General](#)

AfvalOnline: [Fead benoemt nieuwe secretaris-generaal](#)

EUWID: [FEAD appoints new Secretary General](#)

Wastematters : [FEAD sets the bar high: 75% recycling by 2035 - Wastematters](#)

Recycling Magazine: [A new alliance between the waste management industry and manufacturing industries - RECYCLING magazine](#)

Retema: [La Asociación Europea de Gestión de Residuos se compromete a mejorar los objetivos de reciclaje | RETEMA](#)

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