



## NEWSLETTER N° 169 - 29 APRIL 2024

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It's a wrap for the EU Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation! The Parliament adopted the PPWR under the accelerated corrigendum procedure, leaving the floor to the Council to validate the text.

Our telenovela on the mass balance approach for the calculation of recycled content in plastic bottles ends in disappointment as tragedy strikes with the European Parliament rejecting the Greens' motion for resolution during the Plenary session. However, the Parliament also validated the agreement on the Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation.

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**Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR):** On 24 April, the European Parliament **adopted** new measures to make packaging more sustainable and reduce packaging waste in the EU.

**Chemical Recycling:** On 24 April, the European Parliament rejected the Greens' motion for a resolution against the European Commission's draft Implementing Act for the calculation of recycled plastic content in single-use plastic beverage bottles under the Single-Use Plastics Directive.

FEAD, in collaboration with a coalition of NGOs and businesses, [published](#) a joint letter ahead of the vote explaining why the Commission's draft, in its current form, 'would create an uneven playing field between recycling technologies, favour technologies with a higher environmental impact, mislead consumers when taking allegedly sustainable purchasing decisions due to structural greenwashing and therefore contradict the objective of the Single Use Plastic Directive to promote the transition to a circular economy'.

**Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR):** On 23 April, the European Parliament [validated](#) the agreement on the Ecodesign Regulation.

**Classification, Labelling and Packaging of substances and mixtures Regulation (CLP):** On 23 April, the European Parliament [adopted](#) the revision of the Regulation.

**Preventing plastic pellet losses to reduce Microplastics pollution:** On 23 April, the European Parliament [adopted](#) its position on the microplastics Regulation.

**Communication from the Commission on chemicals:** On 22 April, the Commission published a [Communication](#) which clarified the concept of 'essential use' when dealing with a hazardous substance.

**Lithium battery recycling process:** On 22 April, the Parliament [published](#) the 'Answer given by Mr Sinkevičius on behalf of the European Commission' to MEP Benoît Lutgen's (EPP, Belgium) [written question](#) on 'Fires during the lithium battery recycling process'.

**Net-Zero Industry Act:** On 25 April, in Strasbourg, the European Parliament [validated the agreement](#) reached in Trilogue with the Council.

**Feedstock for the production of biofuels and biogas:** On 23 April, during the plenary, the European Parliament rejected the [motion](#) objecting to the draft text presented by the Commission in March.

**Sustainable Carbon non-paper:** On 16 April, The Netherlands, France, the Czech

Republic and Ireland, published a ['non-paper'](#) calling for an European policy package on sustainable carbon.

**Carbon Market:** [Reuters](#) reports that the European Union is looking into bringing emission removal credits into its carbon market.

**Nitrates Pollution Directive:** On 19 April, the European Commission opened a [consultation](#) on the Netherland's proposal (and its annex) to amend the directive on the protection of water against pollution by nitrates from agricultural sources.

**Air quality Directive:** On April 24, the European Parliament approved [the agreement on the revision of the Air Quality Directive](#).

**Climate change cost:** On 17 April, [Reuters](#) reports that a German government-backed research by the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK) has found that damage to farming, infrastructure, productivity, and health from climate change will cost an estimated 38 trillion dollars per year by 2050.

**CO2 Storage and Transport Agreement:** According to the [Carbon Herald](#), on 17 April, Denmark, Belgium, the Netherlands and Sweden signed an agreement with Norway, to set up a framework for the transporting and storing of carbon dioxide in the North Sea region.

**European Competitivity:** Ursula von der Leyen, the President of the European Commission, [announced](#) on 23 April, during a hearing in the European Parliament, her vision for Europe's competitiveness.

**Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDD):** On 24 April, the European Parliament [adopted](#) the new 'Due Diligence' Directive.

**EU-Japan strategic partnership Agreement (SPA):** On 22 April, the Council [adopted](#) a decision on the conclusion of the Strategic Partnership Agreement between the EU and Japan.

**La France Insoumise, chemicals and the 2024 European Elections:** The French leftist party 'La France Insoumise' has published their [programme](#) in which an entire chapter is dedicated to ['European ecological planning'](#).

**ACR+ 2030 vision:** On 17 April, ACR+, the network of cities and regions on sustainable resource management, published their [vision for 2030](#) as well as their strategy.

**European Commission:** On 23 April, the European Commission [announced](#) that Jan Dusik, former State Secretary for Climate in the Czech Republic, will join the Directorate-General for Climate Action as deputy director-general.

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DATA	ORA	TITOLO	RELATORI
23.05	11.00	PFAS NEI RIFIUTI	<p>MODERATORE: <b>Lorenzo Maggi</b> - LabAnalysis Group</p> <p>RELATORI: <b>Francesco Marrone</b> - LabAnalysis Environmental Science <b>Giovanni Beggio</b> - Università degli Studi di Padova <b>Matteo Sisti</b> - AZA</p>
20.06	11.00	L'INSTALLAZIONE DEGLI SME NEGLI IMPIANTI INDUSTRIALI LA LORO GESTIONE	<p>MODERATORE: <b>Federico Marsili</b> - LabAnalysis Environmental Science</p> <p>RELATORI: <b>Leonardo Lanfredi</b> - LabAnalysis Environmental Science <b>Domenico Cipriano</b> - RSE</p>
08.10	11.00	MONITORAGGI AMBIENTALI	<p>RELATORI: <b>Giulia Bellomo</b> - LabAnalysis Environmental Science</p>
24.10	11.00	REPORT DI SOSTENIBILITÀ	<p>MODERATORE: <b>Michele Masè</b> - SMA Green and Smart Solutions</p> <p>RELATORI: <b>Case history</b> - SMA Green and Smart Solutions</p>
28.11	11.00	TECNOLOGIE DI BONIFICA DEI SITI CONTAMINATI	<p>MODERATORI: <b>Cecilia Bottazzi &amp; Andrea Dal Bello</b> - LabAnalysis Environmental Science</p> <p>RELATORI: <b>Guido Premoli</b> - LabAnalysis Environmental Science</p>

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## Monitoring trade in plastic waste and scrap

## Extended Producer Responsibility

Podcast Episode

**Decarbonization and circularity – why they must go hand-in-hand**

## Member states lock horns over blocked Nature Restoration Law

FEAD mentions in the Press:

PackagingInsights: [ENVI committee objects to mass balance methodology for recycled content in SUPD](#)

RecyclingPortal: [Europe's textiles sorting industry in crisis; urgent EU action needed](#)

Esgdata: [RAEE Aggiornamento lavori europei e attività associative](#)

RenewableCarbon: [EuRIC, FEAD and NGOs back “polymer-only” allocation method for plastic from chemical recycling](#)

Residuosprofesional: [Los recicladores celebran el rechazo en la eurocamara al metodo de balance de masas para el calculo del contenido reciclado en envases](#)

La Libertà: [Impresa, ambiente e rispetto delle regole. Le scuse sono finite](#)

RecyclingMagazine: [NGO-Business Coalition welcomes ENVI Committee vote](#)

EUWID: [Positives Echo auf Abstimmung im Umweltausschuss des EU-Parlaments](#)

ENDS: [Joint response on the draft guidelines on removability and replaceability of portable batteries - EURIC & FEAD](#)

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