



NEWSLETTER N° 173 - 27 MAY 2024

With the European elections fast approaching, the Spitzenkandidaten participated in a live debate! On the legislative side, the Waste Shipments Regulation and the Environmental Crime Directive also entered into force.

At FEAD, we've been busy welcoming our new affiliate member from Spain, Votorantim Cimentos and hosting our Committee 2 meeting.

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Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR): The European Commission <u>presented</u> the main steps needed to implement the <u>Regulation</u> during a webinar on 22 May.

Waste Shipment Regulation (WSR) revision: On 20 May, the WSR entered into force; it was published in the Official Journal of the EU 20 days before.

Critical Raw Materials (CRM) - Strategic projects: The European Commission has launched its first <u>call</u> for applications for critical raw materials strategic projects. The deadline for submissions is 22 August.

Environmental Crime Directive: On 20 May, the new Directive on the protection of the environment through criminal law **entered into force**; it was published in the Official Journal of the EU on 30 April.

Net-Zero Industry Act (NZIA): The <u>AGRIFISH Council</u> is scheduled to formally adopt the text on 27 May.

Feedstock for the production of biofuels and biogas: On 17 May, the expanded list of authorised feedstocks for biogas and biofuels was **published** in the EU Official Journal.

Fit for 55: The Council has signed off on gas and hydrogen market package. On 21 May, the Council <u>adopted</u> a Regulation and a directive establishing common internal rules for renewable and natural gases and hydrogen and reforming the existing EU gas legislation.

Electricity market reform: On 21 May, the Council <u>adopted</u> the updated rules on the electricity market reform. It will soon be published in the Official Journal of the EU.

EU Emissions trading system (ETS) - update of the Verification and Accreditation Regulation: As a consequence of the new EU ETS rules, the European Commission revised the Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2067 of 19 December 2018 on the verification of data and on the accreditation of verifiers. The new rules were <u>adopted</u> on 8 May 2024.

Corporate sustainability due diligence Directive (CSDD): On 24 May, the Council formally <u>adopted</u> the CSDD Directive.

European Commission infringement procedures: On 23 May, the European Commission sent letters of formal notice hence <u>launching</u> environmental policy infringement procedures on four Member States (Italy, Portugal, Hungary and Malta).

European Environmental Agency (EEA) briefing on textile waste: On 21 May, the EEA published a <u>briefing</u> on the management of used and waste textiles in Europe's circular economy. The briefing states that in 2020, the EU generated an estimated 6.95 million tonnes of textile waste, approximately 16kg per person.

European Environmental Agency report on climate change: In a <u>report</u> published on 15 May, the European Environment Agency explained that health policies need to better integrate adaption to climate change.

Research paper Green transition: On 13 May, the Analysis and Research Team of the General Secretariat of the Council of the EU <u>published</u> a research paper on the green transition titled 'Green transition, navigating social challenges for a sustainable future'.

European Green Deal Barometer report: On 21 May, the <u>Institute European</u>Environmental Policy published the European Green Deal Barometer 2024 <u>report</u>.

2024 European Elections: On 23 May, EU Commission spitzekandidaten participated to a televised <u>debate</u> ahead of the EU elections.

FEAD News: FEAD welcomed a new affiliate member from Spain, <u>Votorantim</u>

<u>Cimentos</u>. Votorantim Cimentos is a materials company focused on sustainable construction and solutions, specialised in cement, concrete, and a wide range of products.

On 22 May, FEAD held the hybrid meeting for Committee 2 on Material Recovery.







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EUWID: FEAD calls for new EU Circular Material Use Act in pre-election manifesto

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