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It seems the debate on Ursula von der Leyen's re-election at the Parliament coincided with laundry day as several MEPs used this opportunity to air out their multiple grievances with the President of the Commission. However, MEPs finally decided to wash the laundry inhouse as von der Leyen was reelected for the Presidency of the Commission after Roberta Metsola was also re-elected for the Presidency of the Parliament earlier last week.

In the United States however, it's out with the old and in with the new, as Joe Biden is dropping out of the Presidential race and Kamala Harris, his current Vice-President, is now running in his place.

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European Commission Presidency: On 18 July, Urusla von der Leyen was <u>re-elected</u> as President of the European Commission. She will now begin constructing her new European Commission, including the newly announced Commissioners for Fisheries and Oceans and for Housing.

Political Guidelines EU Commission 2024-2029: On 18 July, Ursula von der Leyen **published** the new political guidelines for the next EU Commission 2024-2029.

European Parliament - Presidency: On 16 July, MEPs <u>elected</u> <u>Roberta Metsola</u> (EPP, Malta) as President of the European Parliament until 2027.

European Parliament - ENVI Committee: The composition of the ENVI parliamentary Committee was voted on 17 July at the inaugural session of the tenth legislature in Strasbourg. The Environment Committee gained two members. Find the full list of members <u>here</u>.

European Parliament - ITRE Committee: The composition of the ITRE Committee has been published.

Find the full list of members here.

Plastic Pollution: On 11 July, the think tank Planet Tracker <u>published</u> a statement signed by 70 financial institutions. The statement calls on petrochemical companies to transition to safe and environmentally sound practices, by reducing fossil fuel dependency and eliminating hazardous chemicals.

Industrial Emissions Directive (IED): On 15 July, the IED was **<u>published</u>** in the Official Journal of the EU.

Ship recycling: On 16 July, the Commission <u>published</u> the 13th edition of the European list of ship recycling facilities.

Gas Package and Methane Regulation: The gas package (<u>Regulation</u> and <u>directive</u>) and <u>methane regulation</u> were published in the EU Official Journal on 15 July.

Shein and circularity: On 9 July, Shein, the Chinese fast fashion retailer, <u>announced</u> the launch of a 'circularity' fund in Europe and the United Kingdom, endowed with 200 million euros over five years.

RecyClass Design for Recycling Guidelines: On 16 July, the new version of the Design for Recycling Guidelines for all plastic packaging streams was **<u>published</u>** by RecyClass.

European electricity markets - policy brief: The think tank Bruegel has published a **<u>policy brief</u>** on changing dynamics of European electricity markets and the supply-demand mismatch risk.

Environmental tax revenues: According to data <u>published</u> on 16 July by Eurostat, environmental tax revenues are down 4% from 2021.

ACER response to ENTSOG public consultation: On 15 July, in a <u>response</u> to the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas' public consultation (ENTSOG), ACER, the European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators, called for the use of 'more realistic levels of infrastructure' in gas and hydrogen network development projects.

European Energy Forum: The European Energy Forum is being renewed.

BusinessEurope calling for Better Regulation: BusinessEurope is <u>calling</u> for better regulation.

European Commission: <u>Euractiv</u> reports that Spanish Ecological Transition Minister Teresa Ribera (PSOE/S&D) has told media that she is confident she will join the next European Commission, perhaps in the climate or energy portfolio.

European Parliament - MEPs: EURACTIV has <u>published</u> a list of MEPs focused on energy and environment to watch out for during the next mandate.





We are excited to announce a special event co-organized by FEAD and CAObH, our member from the Czech Republic, taking place on **30-31 October 2024**, **in the beautiful city of Prague**.

We encourage all our members to attend this two-day event, as our **Executive Council** will also be taking place. It's the perfect opportunity for us to meet up and discuss pressing issues in the waste sector.

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The 14th International Reverse Logistics Conference will be held on September 16–17, 2024 at the world's first Ecological Theatre Bohema House in Warsaw.

Main goals of the 14th International Recycling Logistics Conference:

- presentation of basic responsibilities related to packaging and packaging waste in warehouse logistics - e-commerce seller and waste collector,
- · discussion of issues related to waste incineration plants as an indispensable element of the circular economy,
- familiarizing participants with waste management solutions in the European Union,
- developing the assumptions of green business models within the Circular Economy,
- taxonomy in the company,
- basic responsibilities in environmental protection.

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FEAD mentions in the Press:

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RecyclingToday: FEAD publishes manifesto calling for European circular material use act

Resource: EUROPEAN LEADERS ASKED TO INTRODUCE AN EU CIRCULAR MATERIAL USE ACT

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

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