



## NEWSLETTER N° 184 - 02 SEPTEMBER 2024

**Welcome back, everyone!** We hope you had a fantastic August break, recharged and are ready to dive into the exciting months ahead. As we store away our beach towels, Ursula von der Leyen is busy grading the Member States' Commissioner nominations. Who will make the cut? It's like EU Hogwarts over there, but instead of sorting hats, we've got policy portfolios! Stay tuned for all the drama as Brussels heads back to school!

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**PFAS:** During a tour at one of the largest chemical production sites in Germany, on 26 August, the German chancellor, Olaf Scholz let the media [Reuters](#) know that his government will defend a 'pragmatic approach that does not hinder but rather promotes Germany's industrial development' at the European level, on the project of the restriction of

PFAS.

**COP29:** On 4 September, members of the European Parliament's [Environment Committee](#) will discuss a [draft motion for a resolution](#) to express the institution's expectations for the upcoming COP29 (11 to 22 November in Baku, Azerbaijan).

**Bridge to Busan declaration on Primary Plastic Polymers:** The EU signed the Bridge to Busan [declaration](#), committing to ending plastic pollution worldwide. The signatories support a 'comprehensive approach' that allows efforts to balance the entire life cycle of plastics from design to waste treatment.

**US position on UN plastics Agreement:** The US administration also signed the aforementioned Busan declaration, prompting criticism by the American Chemical Council. In a [statement](#) published on 14 August, its president, Chris Jahn, deplored a 'betrayal' of the American industry.

**Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) - ECHA's role:** The revised IED includes new tasks for ECHA, who will join the Sevilla process. On 5 August, ECHA [reported](#) that, using the information from its database, the agency 'provides lists of hazardous substances that are potentially used in the relevant industry sectors, extracts substance-related information, characterises uses of those substances by sector and provides expert support on chemicals management'.

**Greenhouse gas emissions - CAN Europe and GLAN case against the Commission:** CAN Europe and the Global Legal Action Network (GLAN) have [seized](#) the EU Court of Justice to contest the European Commission's [Implementing Decision](#) on the annual emission allocations for each Member State under the Effort Sharing Regulation.

**Germany's Climate and Transformation Fund (CTF):** According to Table [media](#), the 2025 budget for Germany's CTF (a German programme to finance climate protection measure) will be reduced from 58 billion euros to 34.5 billion euros.

**ECHA consultations on Chromium trioxide:** ECHA, the European Chemicals Agency, has [launched](#) five consultations on the uses of Chromium trioxide. They are open until 9 October.

**Final Report on 'background data collection for future EU end-of-waste criteria of Construction and Demolition Waste':** The final [report](#) by two consulting firms, Tauw and

Milieu, which aimed to prioritise ten waste streams from the construction and demolition sector for the introduction of the end-of-waste criteria of Construction and Demolition Waste, was published.

**JRC report on Circular Technologies in Construction:** The JRC has published a [report](#) on 'Circular Technologies in Construction' which emphasises the importance of standardisation in promoting circular construction and the circular economy.

**European Commission call for tenders - Artificial Intelligence Act:** On 6 August, the European Commission [published](#) a call for tenders on the Artificial Intelligence Act to estimate energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions from AI systems.

**European Commission College:** The nominations are coming in concerning the next mandate of Commissioners as the deadline was on 30 August. [Politico](#) has kept an updated list of all the nominees. At time of writing, only Belgium has not nominated a candidate. All Member States, except Bulgaria, have ignored von der Leyen's request for two nominations, one man and one woman, instead presenting her with a single nominee, prompting [criticism](#) of the gender balance of the upcoming College of Commissioners.



**Shell quietly backs away from pledge to increase 'advanced recycling' of plastics**

**What do the French election results mean for EU environmental policy?**

# How the manufacturing sector is tackling waste

## The MEPs who actually matter



EVENTS CALENDAR

FEAD  
European Waste Management Association



**CEWEP Residues Conference**  
**'Ash to Resource'**

**25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> September 2024 - Mechelen, Belgium**

**Registrations** for CEWEP's international Conference on Residues from Waste-to-Energy 'Ash to Resource' are now open and they look forward to welcoming you in Mechelen (near Brussels, Belgium) on **25th September 2024!** The programme brings together residues experts from across Europe to tackle topics such as environmental contribution, residues utilisation and material recovery. There will be ample opportunity for networking during the breaks and the walking dinner on the evening of 25th September. The next day, 26th September 2024, there's a possibility to visit Indaver's ash treatment facility.

More detailed information on the programme and how to register can be found [here](#).

If you have any inquiries about the conference, please contact [leen.de.bruycker@cewep.eu](mailto:leen.de.bruycker@cewep.eu).





Conference

# Higher energy and material security in EU countries

FEAD & CAO<sup>b</sup>H  
International  
Conference



31 October 2024,  
Prague



FEAD and CAO<sup>b</sup>H, our member from the Czech Republic, are organising a conference titled ‘**Higher energy and material security in EU countries**’ in the beautiful city of Prague.

**Key details:**

**Date:** 31 October 2024

**Venue:** Impact Hub, Drtinova 10, Prague 5

**Time:** 09:00 – 16:00

**Program:**

**09.00-09.30:** Registration & coffee

**09.30-09.40:** Welcome and introduction by CAO<sup>b</sup>H

**09.40-09.50:** Introduction by Claudia Mensi, FEAD President

**9.50-10.15: Energy**

**11.00-12.00: Recycling**

**12.00-13.00:** Lunch Break

**13.00-15.00: Climate & Economy**

15.00-16.00: Water

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 **16-17.09.2024**  **Bohema House**  
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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.

[Registration](#)

Training as a responsible person - according to 26 AWG 2002 | NEW

**18-21 November 2024**

New in the VOEB program: Training as a responsible person - in accordance with Section 26 AWG 2002. The VOEB Academy will be offering the 4-day course for the first time in November 2024. Numerous experts and practitioners from waste management - from authorities to companies - enable a practical transfer of knowledge: from waste law to collection and recycling. The varied theoretical units are rounded off by an excursion to the waste incineration plant of Energie AG (WAV Wels). The training is recognized in some federal states as legal proof of professional knowledge and skills.

The 4-day course consists of the training modules Law | Regulations for AWG | Occupational and Employee Protection as well as Fire and Explosion Protection | Chemical Basics in Waste Management | Collection, Recycling and Treatment and an excursion to WAV-Wels (Energie AG). In addition, the course also includes a joint dinner for increased exchange and networking.

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# FEAD Conference

Brussels →

CIRCULAR ECONOMY PRIORITIES



5 DECEMBER  
2024

BRUSSELS  
FROM 9:30 AM

SAVE THE DATE!

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We are excited to announce that our conference on Circular Economy Priorities will be held on **5 December 2024 at 9h30 in Brussels**.

Please mark your calendars and join us! More information will be coming soon, but we encourage you to save this date and look forward to your participation.

[Register now](#)



FEAD mentions in the Press:

Circulaire-IT: [Afvalbeheerassociatie FEAD wil circulaire materiaalgebruikswet voor EU](#)

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](#)

GSAigieniurbana: [LA FEAD PUBBLICA IL SUO MANIFESTO PER LE ELEZIONI EUROPEE DEL 2024](#)

Letsrecycle: [FEAD calls for a Circular Material Use Act](#)

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