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Things are heating up across the pond with Harris slamming Trump during the United States' Presidential debate. In Brussels however, it's not just the weather that's cooling down as von der Leyen has delayed the announcement of the portfolios for the Commissioners to this week.

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Draghi report on the future of EU Competitiveness: On 9 September, following a press conference, Mario Draghi published his long-awaited [report](#) on the future of EU Competitiveness. The report highlights three key areas the EU needs to focus on: closing the innovation gap, bringing down high energy prices while continuing to decarbonise and shift to a circular economy and increasing security and reducing dependencies.

Renew's Ostend Declaration: In a 11 September [declaration](#) adopted in Ostend (Belgium), Renew states its priorities and conditions for the upcoming hearings of the Commissioners. The declaration also highlights Draghi's report.

NGO Heal's reaction to Draghi report: For the health NGO [Heal](#), 'the concerns expressed' by Mario Draghi on the ban of PFAS 'are misleading'.

EU Competitiveness briefing: On 9 September, the European Parliament published a [briefing](#) titled 'EU Competitiveness: Issues and challenges'. The briefing aims to 'to provide a structure to the debate and point to some of the fundamental political and economic questions EU policymakers need to address during the 2024-2029 political term'.

2040 Climate target: On 12 September, Yvon Slingenberg (from the Directorate-General for Climate Action) [stated](#) in front of the ENVI Committee that the new Commission will make a proposal to enshrine the Commission's proposal to reduce emissions by 90% in 2040 in the EU climate law in early 2025 at the same time as the Clean Industrial Deal expected for the first 100 days of the mandate.

2040 Climate target - Initial Appraisal of the European Commission's impact assessment: On 12 September, the European Parliament's Think Tank [published](#) an initial appraisal of the European Commission's [impact assessment](#) (IA) which accompanied the [Communication](#) from the Commission on the 2040 climate target.

Fluorinated gases Directive: On 9 September, the European Commission published an [Implementing Regulation](#) of the Fluorinated gases Directive in the EU's Official Journal.

Circular Economy Resource Centre: During the World Circular Economy Forum 2024 (15-18 April 2024), the European Commissioner for International Partnerships, Jutta Urpilainen, announced the [EU Circular Economy Resource Centre](#).

Recovery and Resilience Facility - analysis: On 11 September, the European Court of Auditors [published](#) a second report on the post-Covid stimulus fund dedicated to the 'Recovery and Resilience Facility' (RRF); the first report was published a week before.

Impact of EU legislation in the area of digital and green transition - study: On 10 September, the European Parliament published the summary of the [study](#) which explores

the implications and costs of digital and green legislation on companies, particularly SMEs, to identify the obstacles to its implementation across the EU.

EU Healthy Air Coalition (EUHAC) - letter to von der Leyen: On 5 September, EUHAC sent a [letter](#) to Ursula von der Leyen asking her for the 'implementation and enforcement of the revised EU Ambient Air Quality Directive (AAQD)' and the tackling of 'the slow pace and narrow scope of mandatory decrease of pollutant emissions at national level.

College of Commissioners: The President of the Commission planned to present the composition of her college of Commissioners to the group leaders of the European Parliament on Wednesday, 11 September. However, the night before the meeting, the institution announced that it will finally take place on 17 September.

Thierry Breton - resignation: Today, on 16 September, the French nominee for the College of Commissioner, Thierry Breton, [announced](#) his resignation on X, citing 'questionable governance' by Ursula von der Leyen. [Politico](#) reports that it is rumoured that Stéphane Séjourné will replace him.

EU Commission - DG CLIMA: The Czech [Jan Dusík](#) has taken his position as Deputy Director-General Climate. Jan Dusík was the Deputy Minister of the Environment during the Czech Presidency of the Council in the second half of 2022.

FEAD News: On 11 September, FEAD's Senior Legal and Policy Officer, Aizea Astor-Hoschen, presented FEAD's proposals in Geneva for the [Joint Meeting](#) of the RID Committee of Experts and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods..

At FEAD, we're gearing up for an exciting end of the year with two key events:

- On 31 October, we will be co-hosting a joint [conference](#) on 'Higher energy and material security in EU countries' in Prague.
- On 5 December, FEAD is organising a [conference](#) on Circular Economy Priorities in Brussels.



Lagarde: Draghi report 'formidable' but ECB won't change policy to boost EU competitiveness

EU conservatives plot to limit Socialist Ribera's economic powers

Commission faces fresh legal action for extending PFAS pesticide approval

Reuse and recycle lithium-ion batteries





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.



Conference

Higher energy and material security in EU countries

FEAD & CAO^bH
International
Conference



31 October 2024,
Prague



FEAD and CAO^bH, 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^bH

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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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.

FEAD Conference

Brussels →

CIRCULAR ECONOMY PRIORITIES



5 DECEMBER
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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:

Recyclopro: [PFAS-studie stelt dubbele beoordeling voor](#)

Retema: [Reportaje - Europa hacia la circularidad: la necesidad de una Ley de uso circular de materiales](#)

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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