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From a scrapped initiative to a promise of an upcoming European Strategy, and various studies and letters flooding in on the topic, water resilience is back in! Apparently waste isn't the only thing that can be recycled at the Commission.

But that's not all; last week, the Environment Council gathered to dive into discussions on the environment and the Parliament's environment committee will vote [tonight](#) on entering into interinstitutional negotiations on the Waste Framework Directive and the Soil Monitoring Law.

Soak in all the latest news with this week's newsletter!



Commissioners-designate confirmation hearings: On 15 October, the dates, times and briefings for the confirmation hearings of the Commissioners-designate [Stéphane](#)

[Séjourné](#) (12 November at 14:30), [Teresa Ribera Rrodriguez](#) (12 November at 18:30), [Jessika Roswall](#) (5 November at 14:30) and [Dan Jørgensen](#) (5 November at 14:30) were published by the Parliament.

Waste Shipment Regulation: On 18 October, the Commission adopted two delagted acts, amending the current as well as the new Waste Shipment Regulation, in order to implement the 2022 Basel Convention e-waste amendments from 1 January 2025. The acts can be consulted in all 23 languages [here for the act amending Regulation \(EC\) 1013/2006](#) and [here for the act amending Regulation \(EC\) 2024/1157](#).

Ambient Air quality Directive: On 14 October, the Council formally [adopted](#) the ambient air quality Directive.

Classification, Labelling and Packaging of chemical substances (CLP): On 14 October, the Council [adopted](#) the regulation on the CLP.

COP29: On 14 October, the Council [approved](#) conclusions that will serve as the EU's negotiating position for COP29 from 11 November to 22 November.

Green Claims Directive: The European Parliament published a [briefing](#) on the Green Claims Directive in preparation of the upcoming trilogue negotiations.

List of Waste: On 11 October, the Commission [published](#) a public consultation to revise the list of waste to address waste batteries and wastes from treating them.

Socio-Economic study on the value of the EU investing in water: In a [study](#) published on 14 October, the lobby Water Europe states that 'reaching a zero-pollution status in our water bodies requires a major focus on water as part of the European Green Deal and the Zero Pollution Action Plan'.

Commission aid schemes: The Commission has [given](#) the green light to two Luxembourg aid schemes totalling 520 million euros for decarbonisation. Both aid schemes will take the form of direct subsidies.

Draghi report - NGO response: On 14 October, 18 environmental NGOs (including EEB, ClientEarth, LEGAMBIENTE, HEAL, chemsec and more), published a [joint letter](#) addressed to the Environment Council and the European Commission reacting to the Draghi report.

Special Area of Conservation (SAC): On 17 October, EU Court of Justice [clarified](#) that Member States are not required to carry out an environmental assessment before designating SAC.

Friends of Renewables Communiqué on Renewable Energy Directive III

(REDIII): Twelve member states, who call themselves 'Friends of Renewables', advocating for a revision of the RED directive published a [Communiqué](#) on the 2050 climate neutrality target.

Climate adaptation in the the EU - European Court of Auditors report: On 16 October, the European Court of Auditors [published](#) a report on climate adaption in the EU, explaining that it is not moving fast enough though the policy framework is solid.

The global net-zero industrial race is on - report: On 14 October, the think tank Strategic Perspectives published a [report](#) on the net-zero technologies stating that the EU continues to attract investment in clean technologies, however, the gap between the EU and China is likely to continue to widen as Member States 'introduce more restrictive budgets'.

Innovation Centre for Industrial Transformation and Emissions (INCITE): On 15 October, the first version of the INCITE information [platform](#) was launched.

FEAD news: On 16-17 October, FEAD was present at [ASEGRE's Foro de los residuos industriales](#). FEAD President, Claudia Mensi, opened the event with a speech and FEAD Senior Legal and Policy Officer, Aizea Astor-Hoschen, participated to a panel on Waste Shipments.

On 17 October, FEAD's Environmental and Technical Officer, Rafael Basciano, participated to [VALIPAC's workshop on C&I packaging](#).



PRESS REVIEW & REPORTS



Waste scandal haunts Cyprus' EU pick as he heads to Brussels

Descontaminación de celulosa: Retos e innovaciones tecnológicas para eliminar PFAS y BPA en el reciclaje de papel

The UK's first carbon capture pilot on an energy-from-waste facility goes live

Stop trashing electronic products with ordinary garbage



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

VOEB-Seminar
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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
2024

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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.



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](#)

GSAigienurbana: [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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