



NEWSLETTER N° 201 - 13 JANUARY 2025

After a well-deserved break, we're thrilled to return and kick off the new year with a fresh wave of updates! We hope you had a joyful holiday season. Between the Polish Presidency, the European Parliament's ten issues to watch for and the Competitiveness compass, 2025 is already shaping up to be another busy year!



Polish Presidency agenda: The Polish Presidency published its [draft agenda](#) still relying on the Commission's timetable.

Council of the EU: During the 8 January meeting, the Commission [debriefed](#) the industry attachés on the Net Zero Emission Industry (NZIA) Regulation.

European Parliament's 10 issues to watch in 2025: The European Parliamentary

Research Service (EPRS) [released](#) a report outlining the 10 key issues to monitor in 2025.

Circular Material Use Rate (CMUR) in Europe: On 6 January, the European Environmental Agency (EEA) [published](#) additional data on the CMUR in Europe.

2035 climate target: On 8 January, the European Commissioner for Climate Action, Wopke Hoekstra, assured in a Reuters [interview](#) that the EU will finalize an 'ambitious number' for its climate commitments before COP30 in Belém, Brazil, scheduled for November 2025.

European Central Bank (ECB) report on green investments: On 8 January, the ECB published a [report](#) that shows that Europe's green investments are far from meeting the 2030 climate target.

Carbon border adjustment mechanism (CBAM): On 18 December 2024, the Commission [adopted](#) the implementing act that regulates the CBAM registry.

Olaf Scholz's letter to Von Der Leyen on high electricity prices: On 2 January, in a [letter](#) addressed to Ursula von der Leyen, the German Chancellor Olaf Scholz called on the European Commission to 'create the conditions for extending electricity price compensation and broadening its scope at least until 2030'.

Electricity price drops down from 2023 to 2024: On 2 January, Eurelectric, representing the EU electricity sector, published [new data](#) on the composition of the EU's electricity generation and the technologies contributing to it.

Taxonomy: On 8 January 2025, the [Platform on Sustainable Finance](#) published a draft [report](#) on preliminary recommendations for the review of the Climate Delegated Act and the addition of activities to the [EU taxonomy](#).

Competitiveness compass: The European Commission has warned that the competitiveness compass may not be presented at the College meeting on 15 January, Politico [reports](#), due to the pneumonia suffered by the President of the Commission, Ursula von der Leyen.

EU - Japan strategic partnership: On 1 January, the first-ever bilateral [framework agreement](#) between the EU and Japan, the Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA), entered into force.

EU and Switzerland energy agreements: The EU Commission and Switzerland [agreed](#) that Switzerland will incorporate the EU's rules on the internal electricity market into its legislative framework. To be validated, this agreement needs the European Parliament and the Council's approval.

Bisphenol A ban in food packaging: The delegated act validated by Member States in June 2024 has been [published](#) in the Official Journal of the EU on 31 December 2024.



PRESS REVIEW & REPORTS



The biggest battles headed for Brussels

What the European Union will be squabbling about in the Commission's upcoming term.

Business alliance puts forward concrete rules for the import of recycled plastics

EU warns of 'serious blow' from Trump on climate change

Greenhouse Gases Must Begin to Fall by 2025, Says U.N. Climate Report

Emissions rates are still growing every year, though that growth has slowed. The world needs to reach negative growth soon to prevent a potential 3.2°C rise by the end of the century.



EVENTS CALENDAR





On 11 February from 2pm to 3.30pm, [FEAD](#), in partnership with [ACR+](#) and [Hazardous Waste Europe](#), are organising a workshop on Hazards Out!

The associations have joined forces in the Hazards Out project to support the local authorities, industry and other stakeholders with the implementation of the mandatory separate collection of HHW. The Hazards Out team is organising a series of workshops to exchange best practices and boost collaborations on the HHW management.

If you wish to learn more about the different perspectives and the challenges of separate collection of HHW, join our esteemed speakers in **our first Workshop - What is going to change?**

1. **Daniele Ape**, Policy Officer, DG Environment, **European Commission**
2. **Competent authorities**
3. **Paolo Campanella**, Secretary General, **FEAD**
4. **Nicolas Humez**, President, **Hazardous Waste Europe**
5. **Françoise Bonnet**, Secretary General, **ACR+**

[More information](#)



The banner features a green and yellow geometric design on the left. At the top left, it says 'IN ASSOCIATION WITH EfW Net The Energy from Waste Network'. In the center is a circular logo with icons for recycling, waste, energy, and a lightbulb. To the right, the main title 'Energy from Waste' is displayed in large black font, followed by 'London 5-6 March 2025' and 'ETC venue | 155 Bishopsgate'. Below this is the tagline 'Accelerating decarbonisation and circular economy, across waste to energy, waste to value and waste to X'. A red horizontal bar across the middle contains the text 'OFFICIAL 2025 SUPPORTING ORGANISATION'. Below this bar is the FEAD logo (European Waste Management Association). At the bottom left, there are social media links for the conference website, Twitter, and LinkedIn. At the bottom right, another red bar contains the text 'Book now at www.efwconference.com'.

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The Energy from Waste Conference 2025 (5-6 March 2025) once again brings together an exceptional line-up of the industry's best speakers, with technical experts, international leaders, and innovative developers providing an unmissable two days of the latest information.

Benefit from a packed two-day programme: explore the critical issues that will impact on your organisation, take part in in-depth discussion sessions and gain greater understanding of emerging trends and directions.

Gain real value from the plentiful networking times with top global suppliers and fellow industry leaders.

[Learn more](#)

SUM2025

8th Multidisciplinary Symposium on
Circular Economy & Urban Mining
21 - 23 MAY 2025 / Procida, Italy

SUM 2025 - 8th Multidisciplinary Symposium on Circular Economy and Urban Mining will be held from 21 to 23 May 2025 in the stunning island of Procida (Naples, Italy).

The conference, organised by IWWG-International Waste Working Group, has been held every two years since 2012. Following the great success of the 2024 edition, which attracted participants from 34 different countries and various disciplines (including Agronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Economics, Engineering, Law, Material Science, Medicine, Geography and other Social Sciences), and considering the intense and rapid development of topics and issues related to Circular Economy, the SUM Symposium has become an annual event.

This decision is aimed at promoting a more continuous interaction and collaboration across diverse fields, encouraging sustained, multidisciplinary dialogue and strategic partnerships.

The Call for Papers is officially open! All authors interested in presenting their work at SUM 2025 are invited to submit their papers on the symposium topics by filling in the online submission form

Deadline: **10 March 2025**

Detailed instructions are available at: <https://www.sumsymposium.it/en/call-for-papers>

SUM is offering a **10% discount on all entrance fees to FEAD members**. Members

interested in attending SUM 2025 can redeem the discount by simply sending an email at info@sumsymposium.it with proof of their membership status.

For any further information, please visit the official website at www.sumsymposium.it or contact the Organising Secretariat at info@sumsymposium.it



On **10-12 June 2025**, Waste Management Europe's expo will be taking place in Bologna, Italy. The Waste Management Europe 2025 Exhibition and Conference promotes cutting-edge thinking in applying innovative solutions to some of the world's greatest challenges. By connecting global experts in waste management, recycling, reuse and circularity, WME 2025 catalyses the acceleration of positive change and inspires both individuals and organisations to improve their own strategies and implementation.

[Find out more](#) about the event and register!

A promotional banner for the Sardinia 2025 event. The banner is divided into two main sections. The left section has a pink background with a white fingerprint graphic. It features the text "SARDINIA 2025" in large, bold letters, with "SARDINIA" in black and "2025" in teal. Below this, it reads "20 INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON WASTE MANAGEMENT, RESOURCE RECOVERY AND SUSTAINABLE LANDFILLING" in black, "13-17 OCTOBER 2025" in teal, and "FORTE VILLAGE / S.MARGHERITA DI PULA, CAGLIARI (IT)" in black. The right section has a grey background and contains the text "SCIENTIFIC ORGANISATION BY:" in teal, "INTERNATIONAL WASTE WORKING GROUP" in black, and the "iwwg" logo in black with the tagline "international waste working group" below it.

SARDINIA 2025

20th International Symposium on Waste Management, Resource Recovery and Sustainable Landfilling

13-17 October 2025 / Forte Village Resort, S. Margherita di Pula, Cagliari, Italy

The 20th edition of the Sardinia Symposium will take place at the Forte Village Resort in Santa Margherita di Pula, Cagliari (Italy) from 13 to 17 October 2025.

Sardinia Symposia are a biennial event organized by IWWG - International Waste Working Group, with the scientific involvement of the Universities of Padova (IT), BOKU, Vienna (AT), Tongji (CN) and the Technical Universities of Luleå (SE) and Hamburg (DE).

The programme will include parallel oral sessions, workshops, discussion forums, poster presentations, a commercial exhibition, outstanding networking opportunities and social events.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Authors interested in presenting their work at the conference must submit an abstract by 17th February 2025 following the instructions available at: [Call for Abstracts](#)

Workshop proposals are also welcome. All details on how to apply: [Call for Workshops](#)

Explore the comprehensive list of [conference topics](#) >>

FEAD is one of the Promoting Bodies of SARDINIA 2025 and a 10% discount on regular entrance fees is reserved for FEAD members. Those interested in attending the conference can redeem the discount by sending an email to info@sardiniasymposium.it with proof of their membership status.

For further information, please visit the official website at www.sardiniasymposium.it or contact the Organising Secretariat at info@sardiniasymposium.it



FEAD mentions in the Press:

RecyclingMagazine: [New member for FEAD](#)

Greenreport: [«Ms. von der Leyen...», l'appello del settore plastica: «Nostra](#)

[competitività minacciata, Ue a un bivio»](#)

EUWID: [Associations call on EU legislators to ensure EPR schemes for textiles are fair and effective](#)

Retema: [Prioridades de la economía circular en la UE, a debate en una conferencia de la FEAD](#)

Residuosprofesional: [La economía circular europea necesita inversiones por 27.000 millones](#)

RecyclingMagazine: [Experts and policymakers discuss ‘Circular Economy Priorities’ at FEAD’s conference - RECYCLING magazine](#)

EUWID: [Remondis manager Herwart Wilms to become FEAD president in 2026](#)

RecyclingMagazine: [FEAD members elect Herwart Wilms as President for 2026](#)

Fibre2Fashion: [FEAD, EuRIC & Decathlon push for stronger EPS schemes in EU textiles](#)

Retema: [FEAD, EuRIC y Decathlon urgen a la UE a implementar esquemas efectivos de RAP para impulsar la economía circular del textil](#)



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