



## NEWSLETTER N° 212 - 31 MARCH 2025

**Last week, the Environment Council had a full plate!** Ministers tackled the Clean Industrial Deal, the Circular Economy Act, and even the COP16. But one thing was missing from the menu: the 2040 climate target.



**Environment Council:** On 27 March, the Environment Council took place in Brussels, for which the main results were [published](#).

**Strategic Projects under Critical Raw Materials:** On 25 March, the European Commission [published](#) the strategic projects chosen under the Critical Raw Materials Act.

**Single-Use-Plastics Directive (SUP):** Asked through a [priority question](#) for written answer by MEP Alexandra Mehnert (Germany, EPP) about possible measures to 'reduce

red tape for companies' in implementing the SUP 2019 directive, Commissioner Jessika Roswall [responded](#) that the Commission will evaluate the SUP Directive by 3 July 2027.

**CS3D and CSRD: COREPER II [approved](#)**, on 26 March, its position on the 'Stop the clock' Directive, part of the Omnibus package presented by the Commission on 26 February.

**Green Taxonomy - ChemSec reaction:** In a post on 20 March, the association [ChemSec](#) explained that it is concerned by the amendment proposed by the Commission on green taxonomy.

**Calculation and verification methodology of rates for recycling efficiency and recovery of materials of waste batteries:** On 21 March, the European Commission [adopted](#) the Implementing Act on the Calculation and verification methodology of rates for recycling efficiency and recovery of materials of waste batteries.

**Strategic Dialogue on the Future of the Chemical Industry in Europe:** On 25 March, the European Strategic Dialogue on the Future of the Chemical Industry in Europe took place. Cefic has laid out 10 urgent [actions](#) that must be included in a comprehensive Chemical Industry Package.

**RAC and SEAC meeting:** On 19 March, the Committees for Risk Assessment (RAC) and for Socio-Economic Analysis (SEAC) met for the first time in 2025. According to [ECHA](#), during the meeting, they progressed their evaluation of the proposed restriction on PFAS and reached provisional conclusions for applications of fluorinated gases.

**'One Substance, one assessment' package:** On 26 March, the European Parliament's Think Tank published a ['At a glance'](#) document on the One substance, one assessment package.

**Energy-intensive industries:** On 24 March, a [motion for a resolution](#) on energy intensive industries was tabled at the Parliament.  
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**Water Resilience Strategy:** On 27 March, the European Parliament's [AGRI Committee](#) voted on its opinion on the Water Resilience Strategy with 31 votes in favour.

**Consumption of clothing, footwear and textiles in the EU - EEA briefing:** On 26 March,

the European Environment Agency published a [briefing](#) on the EU's consumption of clothing, footwear and textiles.

**RecyClass - Recyclability Methodology:** On 27 March, RecyClass [announced](#) that a new version of the Recyclability Methodology has been published in anticipation of upcoming legislative changes.

**Commitments made by Wopke Hoekstra:** On 09 January, the European Parliament's Think Tank published a [briefing](#) on the Commitments made by Commissioner for Climate, Net-Zero and Clean Growth, Wopke Hoekstra.

**Commitments made by Jessika Roswall:** On 25 March, the European Parliament's Think Tank published a [briefing](#) on the Commitments made by Commissioner for Environment, Water Resilience and a Competitive Circular Economy, Jessika Roswall.

**FEAD News:** Last week the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting approved 2 proposals on the carriage of waste dangerous goods submitted by [FEAD](#). The new rules apply from 2027 and will:

- Clarify the carriage of empty, uncleaned drums and IBCs for recycling or disposal, when their permitted period of use or the date of expiry of the last periodic test or inspection is exceeded, or when required information and documentation is no longer available.
- Estimate quantities, notably for the carriage of waste in tanks, provided that a device or procedure is used to ensure compliance with the regulated degrees of filling.

These new rules come after previous proposals for crucial rules to carry packaged waste both in single and combination packagings have already been introduced in RID/ADR from January 2025, also at the initiative of FEAD.



**Nine member states ask for EU help to tackle illegal waste trade**

# Industry backs EU's 25% plastic recycling target for new vehicles

## Italy pushes for lower ambition of EU's 2040 climate goal

## Portugal to launch Deposit Return Scheme in 2026



FEAD mentions in the Press:

EUWID: [FEAD begrüßt Exportbeschränkungen für Schwarzmasse und warnt vor Umgehungsstrategien](#)

RiciclaNews: [Rifiuti tessili, il sistema europeo di riutilizzo e riciclo sta crollando](#)

ResiduosProfesionale: [Los gestores de residuos reclaman igualdad de condiciones para los materiales reciclados](#)

RecyclingMagazine: [FEAD and FIR join forces to promote circularity in mineral waste](#)

Politik: [Wilms wird neuer Präsident des europäischen Dachverbands der Entsorgungswirtschaft \(FEAD\)](#)

KunststoffInformation: [EU-Parlamentsausschuss fordert Senkung der Rezyklateinsatzquote in Neufahrzeugen / Kritik von Verbänden](#)

AutoRecyclingWord: [FEAD and EuRIC challenge ELV report for mixed signals on automotive circularity](#)

Retema: [FEAD solicita financiación para la economía circular con cargo al Fondo Europeo de Competitividad](#)



ResiduosProfesionale: [Los gestores de residuos piden financiación para la economía circular a través del Fondo de Competitividad de la UE](#)

Greenreport: [Dalla Bussola per la competitività al Fondo per l'economia circolare: all'Ue mancano 27 mld di euro](#)

StaffettaRifiuti: [UE, Gead chiede un fondo per l'economia circolare](#)

mrw: [Recyclers call for dedicated EU circular economy fund](#)



FEAD and BRRA are organising a series of events in Sofia, Bulgaria on 07-08 April!

On **7 April**, **FEAD** will hold its **first General Assembly** of the year, **from 15:00 to 17:00**, at the Sofia Balkan Palace. The day will conclude with a guided walking tour of Sofia and a group dinner.

On **8 April**, we will host a **networking session**, preceded by opening presentations by **FEAD and BRRA**, **from 09:00 AM to 12:00 PM**, also at the Sofia Balkan Palace. This event will feature a networking session between stakeholders in the waste management industry, providing an excellent platform to build connections and foster partnerships with

Bulgarian companies working in the waste management sector. Afterward, participants will enjoy a lunch, **followed by an guided visit to a plastic recycling and/or sorting facility near Sofia.**

**These events are reserved exclusively for FEAD members and their members.**

Currently a member of FEAD? [Register now!](#)



**Thursday 10 April**

**10.30 - 15.40 - Followed by a lunch break**

The conference will bring together representatives of central authorities, R.A.S.W.M. members, representatives of sanitation companies from across the country, industry experts, as well as delegates from the international organizations ISWA – International

Solid Waste Association and FEAD – European Waste Management Association, where R.A.S.W.M. is a national member.

The central theme of the conference, '**The Environment and the Challenges of Waste Management and Sanitation / Sustainable Solutions for Waste Management in Romania**', will address the current challenges of the sector, as well as opportunities for development and innovation in sanitation and waste management.

[Register now!](#)

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WORKSHOP



## Plastic Matters: "Securing resources in Europe : innovations in collection, sorting and recycling" (ENG)

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**Plastic Matters: Securing resources in Europe : innovations in collection, sorting and recycling (ENG)**

**Denuo & essenscia PolyMatters**

**24.04.2025**

**Program**

Maintaining resources in the circular economy is key to strengthening Europe's independence. Improved collection, advanced sorting technologies and innovative recycling processes play a key role in achieving this ambition. In this edition of Plastic Matters, we'll be showcasing the latest innovations in sorting and recycling. Be inspired by these recent advances and see how they contribute to more sustainable materials management.

A detailed program will be released soon.

Location: Brussels (more details to follow)

[Register now!](#)

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**The Rethinking Materials Summit returns to the Hilton London Bankside on 13-14 May!**

This unique summit unites a diverse range of pioneers in next-gen materials, including manufacturers, producers, brands, investors and innovators, all driving sustainable change through creating, sourcing and commercialising new materials for consumer goods.



Our President, Claudia Mensi, will be present at the event. She will be participating to the discussion on **Regulatory and Policy Frameworks: Stimulating Action and Incentivising Innovation**.

[Register now](#), using FEAD code (**FEAD10**)!

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**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](mailto:info@sumsymposium.it) with proof of their membership status.

For any further information, please visit the official website at [www.sumsymposium.it](http://www.sumsymposium.it) or contact the Organising Secretariat at [info@sumsymposium.it](mailto:info@sumsymposium.it)



# TEXTILES RECYCLING EXPO

4-5 June 2025  
Brussels, Belgium

The leading platform for the  
textiles recycling industry

**REGISTER FOR FREE TODAY!**

Join global leaders in textiles recycling at the [Textiles Recycling Expo](#) on **4-5 June, 2025**, in Brussels, Belgium. This [free-to-attend](#), two-day event will bring together industry innovators, recyclers, manufacturers, and sustainability experts to explore the latest technologies, exchange insights, and drive collaboration. With a comprehensive conference programme and expert-led panels, the expo is your gateway to the future of sustainable textiles. **Don't miss this opportunity to connect, learn, and lead in transforming the textiles industry. Register for your [free tickets here](#)!**

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**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!

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**15TH INTERNATIONAL EXPERTS' CONFERENCE ENVIROMANAGEMENT  
2025 MODERN WASTE MANAGEMENT: Dealing with Crises, and Managing Fire  
Hazards**

**When? SEPTEMBER 29 – 30, 2025**

**Where? HOTEL PATRIA \*\*\*\* ŠTRBSKÉ PLESO, HIGH TATRAS, SLOVAKIA**

**FEAD members, partners and newsletter subscribers have the opportunity to take advantage of a discount on the current Early-Bird fee of EUR -35 (+23% VAT).**

**To take advantage of the discount: FEAD-EB25**

**[Registration](#)**

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# SARDINIA 2025

**20<sup>th</sup>** INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON WASTE MANAGEMENT,  
RESOURCE RECOVERY AND SUSTAINABLE LANDFILLING  
**13-17 OCTOBER 2025**  
FORTE VILLAGE / S.MARGHERITA DI PULA, CAGLIARI (IT)

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**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](mailto:info@sardiniasymposium.it) with proof of their membership status.

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