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Last week's major news? The European plastics value chain and it's breaking point. FEAD and 27 leading actors across the European plastics value chain have sounded the alarm in a joint letter addressed to EU policymakers!





European plastics value chain: FEAD, in coordination with 27 leading actors across the European plastics value chain have sounded the alarm in a joint letter addressed to EU policymakers. We've put forward six strategic recommendations to combat the pressing issues suffocating the industry, including low-priced imports, soaring energy costs, legal uncertainty, administrative burdens and regulatory fragmentation. Read the press release here.

Critical Raw Materials (CRM) - Strategic projects: On 3 September, an <u>answer</u> given by Executive Vice-President Séjourné on behalf of the European Commission on the financing

of strategic projects was published. It is in response to a **Question for written answer** by Green MEPs Majdouline Sbai (France), Maria Ohisalo (Finland), Ana Miranda Paz (Spain), and Sara Matthieu (Belgium).

Amending the European Climate Law - Briefing: The European Parliament published on 2 September, a Think Tank **Briefing** on the European Climate Law.

End-of-life vehicles (ELVs): On 3 September, the European Parliament tabled <u>amendments</u> to the proposal for a Regulation by the Commission on ELVs. The amendments will be voted in plenary on 9 September.

French consultation on PFAS: The French government has opened a <u>public</u> <u>consultation</u> on a draft decree which aims to reduce industrial discharges of eternal pollutants into water by 70% by 2028. The consultation is open until September 5.

A second draft decree implementing the law on PFAS is also open to <u>public</u> <u>consultation</u> until September 5.

Environmental public consultations: In a <u>judgment</u> delivered on 1 August, the European Court of Justice clarified the Directive on the Environmental Impact Assessment.

Franco-German Economic Agenda: One 1 September, the President of the French Republic and the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany published the <u>Franco-German Economic Agenda</u>.

2025 Report: State of EU progress to climate neutrality: At the start of September, the European Climate Neutrality Observatory <u>published</u> the third annual assessment of progress towards climate neutrality confirms that the EU is moving in the right direction, but that the pace is still too slow.

Own initiative Public procurement report: On 3 September MEPs tabled <u>amendments</u> to the own initiative Public procurement report by Piotr Müller (ECR, Poland). This will be voted on in Plenary on 8 September.

Public procurement - At a glance: The European Parliament published a 'At a glance' document on Public procurement which goes through the background of the file and the Parliament's position on it.

ENVI exchange of views with Danish Council Presidency on environmental

priorities: On 4 September 2025, the ENVI Committee held an <u>exchange of views</u> with Magnus Heunicke, Danish Minister for the Environment, and Jeppe Bruus Christensen, Danish Minister for Green Transition.

Timeline for EU competition policy revisions and updates: On 25 August, the timeline for EU competition policy revisions and updates was **published** by the European Commission.

FEAD POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS | CIRCULAR ECONOMY ACT



Wave of surging plastic recycling plant closures hits Europe

EPP lays bare division over 2040 climate target

Belgium announces plans for national PFAS restrictions



FEAD mentions in the press:

Letsrecycle: FEAD reacts to priority waste streams for critical raw material recovery

EUWID: <u>Business associations and NGOs insist on priority for mechanical recycling</u>
of plastics

EUWID: Verhandlungen über UN-Plastikabkommen erneut gescheitert

Chemical Watch News: <u>Industry, NGO urge European Commission to improve – not ditch – SCIP database</u>

Letsrecycle: FEAD reacts to priority waste streams for critical raw materials recovery

Retema: <u>FEAD pide mantener los objetivos de reciclado en la futura normativa</u>

<u>europea sobre vehículos al final de su vida útil</u>

AfvalOnline: Milieuministers zwakken recyclaatverplichting in auto's af

Residuosprofesional: <u>FEAD advierte de los riesgos de reducir los objetivos de</u>
<u>contenido reciclado en el reglamento de VFU</u>

EUWID: <u>Industry and environmental groups urge EU Parliament to bring forward</u>

<u>Waste Framework Directive vote</u>

Contexte: <u>Les recycleurs européens parviennent à s'inscrire à l'ordre du jour du prochain Conseil Environnement</u>







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



On **24th of September, at 11:00 CET**, FEAD, in partnership with ACR+ and Hazardous Waste Europe, is organising a workshop on Hazards Out!

The 3rd episode of the Hazards Out series of workshops will explore the question '**Does EPR have a role to play?**' and the producers' perspective of sustainable management and treatment of HHW. You will have the opportunity to lean about innovative recycling projects from the paint sector and hear from the PRO in France about their governance, operations and performance in separate collection and treatment of HHW.

This event is part of the Hazards Out series on separate collection of household hazardous waste aimed at supporting **local authorities** and **waste management operators** in the implementation of the mandatory sorting obligations within the EU. The project also serves as a platform to **exchange best practices**, share challenges, and **boost collaboration** among stakeholders working to improve HHW management.

Join us on **24th of September**, **11:00 CET** for an insightful event with practical examples from the industry leaders and share your thoughts in an open discussion for improved HHW management in Europe!

The event agenda will be available shortly.



FEAD x FNADE at Pollutec 2025!

We are hosting a joint public conference at **Pollutec** Lyon, on 9 October titled: 'Waste management and the EU ETS: where does the industry stand today?'

This discussion will bring together voices from the waste management sector, municipalities, the French administration, and the European Commission.

Pollutec is Europe's leading trade show for the environment and climate industry, showcasing innovative and practical solutions across 11 sectors. It's the perfect occasion to explore emerging trends, discover best practices, and connect with the people shaping Europe's circular economy.



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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 >>

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