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Hello from Brussels. In a sobering report prepared by the European Commission, it has been revealed that the majority of EU Member States are dangerously off course when it comes to meeting the recycling targets set by the EU. Picture this: **out of the 27 Member States, only 9 are projected to reach the ambitious goals** of preparing for reuse and recycling 55% of municipal waste, as well as recycling 65% of all packaging waste by 2025. While the Commission is waving the warning flag, it's more interested in supporting the countries in implementing the necessary legislation rather than wielding the infringement hammer.

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Early Warning Report (EWR): EU Member States Falling Behind on Recycling Targets, Warns European Commission.

Renewable Energy Directive: Group of Member States Drafts Joint Letter Urging Swedish EU Council Presidency to Endorse Revised RED, ENDS Europe Reports.

- Green Groups and Industry Organisations Urge Swedish Energy Minister to Break RED Deadlock.

Waste Shipment Regulation (WSR): Negotiations on Waste Shipment Regulation Revision Underway, Stockholm has not Rejected Parliament's Demand to Ban Plastic Waste Exports to Third Countries, Contexte Reports.

Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation: Contexte Interview: Environment Commissioner Sinkevičius Assures Member States: Packaging Regulation Will Not Disrupt Effective Waste Management Systems

Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR): European Parliament Reaches Agreement on Ecodesign Regulation, Prioritising Sustainable Products and Banning Unsold Goods Destruction.

Industrial Emissions Portal: Council adopts negotiating mandate for industrial environmental data reporting.

Chemicals - Classification, labelling, and packaging of chemicals (CLP): Swedish Presidency proposes draft compromise for CLP Regulation, debates arise over deadline for chemical label updates, Contexte Reports.

Carbon Removals Certification (CRC): EU Parliament's AGRI Committee's Amendments emphasise emissions reductions and certification framework for carbon removals in proposed Regulation.

Batteries and Waste Batteries: European Parliament's ENVI Committee Introduces Plenary Amendment for Regulation on Batteries and Waste Batteries.

EU Emissions Trading System (EU ETS): Directive and Regulation Revising EU ETS to Extend Application of Emissions Trading to Maritime and Road Transport, Buildings, Additional Sectors, Enter Into Force.

Net-Zero Industry Act (NZIA): MEP Tiemo Wölken Introduces Amendments to 'Net Zero

Emissions Industry' Regulation, Prioritising Environmental Assessments and Protection of Natural Areas, Contexte Reports.

- Concerns Arise in ITRE Committee Over Scope and Financing of Proposed Regulations, MEPs and Commission Engage in Deliberations, Euractiv Reports.

News from the upcoming Spanish Presidency: Spanish Government Requests Postponement of EU Presidency Priorities Presentation in European Parliament, Citing National Elections, EUobserver Reports.

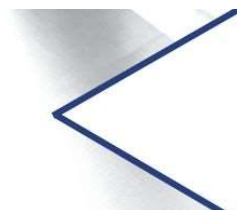
News from the European Commission: Le Journal du Dimane Interview: Frans Timmermans Calls for Unity and Cooperation Ahead of COP28, Urges Action on Climate and Nature Crises.

News from the Member States: Italy Referred to Court by European Commission for Failing to Address Urban Wastewater Issues; Infringement Procedures Initiated Against Other Member States, ENDS Europe Reports.

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Leena Ylä-Mononen assumed the position of the European Environment Agency's new Executive Director on 1 June after being appointed in March, Contexte Reported. She has served as the Director General at the Finnish Ministry of Environment since 2019. Prior to her current role, she gained extensive experience during her eleven-year tenure at the European Chemicals Agency and three years at the Commission's Directorate-General for the Environment. She succeeds Hans Bruyninckx from Belgium, who successfully led the agency for a decade.



 **JOB OPPORTUNITY:** FEAD is looking for a visionary Secretary General to represent Europe's private resource and waste management industry. Lead a dynamic team, collaborate with key stakeholders, and make a tangible impact on Europe's waste management sector. Your skills in lobbying and networking will enable you to effectively advocate for FEAD's positions to EU legislators, ensuring our industry's voice is heard. If you are a strategic thinker, a skilled communicator, and have a passion for driving change, click the [link provided by Mavence](#) and submit your application through their platform!



 **JOB ALERT:** FEAD is looking for a full-time **Junior Communications Officer** to start as soon as possible! Located in the heart of Brussels, close to the EU institutions, FEAD provides an exceptional opportunity to work in a European trade association representing the private waste management and resource industry. as a Junior Communications Officer, you'll play a pivotal role in our association, driving day-to-day communications to enhance visibility and outreach. Your efforts will ensure that FEAD's policy proposals and campaign

messages reach the right eyes and ears, making a tangible difference.

✦ To **apply**, send your CV and cover letter to recruitment@fead.be with the subject line "Junior Communications Officer application". Interviews will be conducted on a rolling basis until the position is filled.



EVENTS CALENDAR

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Companies that are driving innovation in the circular economy require predictability in terms of regulations and sustained market demand.

Active collaboration between the waste management and manufacturing sectors could result in a shared dedication to supplying high-quality secondary raw materials for the production of recyclable circular products.

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 **Paolo Campanella**
FEAD Technical Officer



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FEAD Technical Officer, Paolo Campanella participated at the EBIC High Level Summit on "**Implementing circular economy in agriculture: from aspiration to reality**", that was held on 8 June in Brussels. Paolo provided insights into how the utilisation of secondary raw materials, such as plants, algae, and animal by-products, drives industrial symbiosis and systemic resource efficiency in biostimulant production.

Coming up:

- **20-22 June 2023** – FEAD visits plants in Italy
 - **28-29 June 2023** – FEAD Legal & Policy Officer, Aizea Astor Hoschen at E-waste conference, Panel on Illegal Shipments, Frankfurt
 - **SAVE THE DATE - 6 July 2023** – FEAD Strategic Workshop at CEN/CENELEC (networking dinner to be held on 5 June)
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The green technology expoEcomondo: Call for Papers

The call for papers for this years Ecomondo is officially open. Interested parties can submit an abstract on a core theme of the Expo on the website. Until 30 June 2023, it is possible to [submit an abstract](#) dedicated to a research project, best practice or successful experience and be included as a speaker in the conference programme of Ecomondo 2023.

This year's trade fair and expo will host more than 100 conferences and workshops on innovation best practices, policy and regulatory issues, research and innovation priorities and funding opportunities, entrepreneurship, international networking and partnership creation, financing, education and communication in the Green and Circular Economy and Green Deal sectors.

The core topics of Ecomondo

A number of the conferences are open to contributions from delegates, representatives and researchers from the public and private sectors, regulators and society, who will be able to integrate the contributions of invited experts with their own experiences, views and best practices from different sectors and countries. The [Ecomondo 2023 Call for Papers](#) is linked to the core themes of the exhibition: waste treatment and resource recovery, water cycle and blue economy, industrial symbiosis for the circular economy, energy from forests, indoor air quality and odour emissions, sustainable strategies for the remediation of polluted sites.

Ecomondo will take place from **7-10 November 2023 in Rimini, Italy.**

Forever Toxic: The science on health threats from plastic recycling

Greenpeace: A [new report](#) from Greenpeace USA provides a catalog of peer-reviewed research and international studies concluding that recycling actually increases the toxicity of plastics. It highlights the threat that recycled plastics pose to the health of consumers, frontline communities, and workers in the recycling sector. Along with previous research showing that very little plastic reaches recycling facilities in the first place—less than 9% globally, according to the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP)—the report concludes that the Global Plastics Treaty negotiations in Paris (May 29 to June 2) must focus on capping and then phasing down plastic production.

