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Hello from Brussels. The Belgian Presidency has been gearing up to take the mantle, publicly presenting its upcoming programme last week and the COP28 released its declaration. The European Council also met up last week and adopted conclusions on several topics such as the 2021-2027 Multiannual Financial framework.

At FEAD, we've been busy getting the second volume of our magazine ready. It launches today, Monday 18 December, so stay tuned. The magazine will be perfect holiday reading material as next week's edition of the Newsletter will be the last one of 2023. The Newsletter comes back 15 January.





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Waste Shipment Regulation (WSR): COREPER I met on 6 December and [confirmed](#) the provisional agreement reached by the Council and the European Parliament during the third round of Trilogues. The agreement text was published on 15 December.

Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR): The Environment Council is [meeting](#) today, Monday 18 December, to agree on a general approach that will serve as a negotiating mandate for Trilogues.

Critical Raw Materials Act (CRM): On 12 December, the European Parliament [approved](#) the agreement on critical raw materials reached during the Trilogues in mid-November.

Renewable Energy Directive (RED): A European Commission [report](#) on the application of Article 5 of the RED was published on 11 December.

Hydrogen bank: The European Parliament adopted a [report](#) on the European Hydrogen Bank on 14 December.

Microplastics: Rapporteur João Albuquerque's (S&D, Portugal) [draft report](#) on the prevention of plastic pellet losses to reduce microplastic pollution has been published.

Plastic Recycling: EuCertPlast and RecyClass have reached an [agreement](#) on the future development of certification for plastic recyclers.

Internal markets for renewable and natural gases and for hydrogen: The Council and the Parliament reached an [agreement](#) on a Regulation that establishes common internal market rules for renewable and natural gases and hydrogen.

Environmental Crime Directive: The new Environmental Crime Directive final [Compromise text](#) has been agreed on.

Construction Products Regulation (CPR): On 13 December, the Council and the European Parliament reached an [agreement](#) on the CPR.

Recovery fund: On 8 November, the Council adopted [implementing decisions](#) approving the amended recovery and resilience plans of Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Poland and Romania.

Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD): On 12 December, the Council and the European Parliament reached a [deal](#) on the Directive, which set obligations and penalties for large companies to ensure that their business model and strategy comply with the Paris agreement.

Reform of electricity market design: The Council and the Parliament reached an [agreement](#) to reform the EU's electricity market design (EMD).

Waste Electrical and Electric Equipment (WEEE): Eunomia Research and Consulting released a [report](#) on the management of WEEE in Greece for the European Electronics Recyclers Association (EERA).

COP28: On 13 December, the COP28 released its [declaration](#). This declaration mentions the transitioning away from fossil fuels in the energy systems.

Belgium Presidency: On 8 December, Alexander de Croo [presented](#) the programme of the Belgian Presidency of the Council of the EU and discussed the Green Deal: 'the Green

Deal is a good set of regulations'.

European Commission: Margrethe Vestager **announced** that she will return to the European Commission after dropping out of the race to becoming head of the European International Bank.

FEAD news: FEAD has released the **video recap** of our conference on PFAS in waste on 8 November at ECOMONDO. The **executive summary** of the study was also published on our website.



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again be set up at the Bergamo Fair, in an area rich in history, traditions and with an entrepreneurial network among the most prosperous in the country, and in an exhibition and conference space of over 4000 m2 where the entire waste management and material recycling industry chain will be well represented.

FEAD will be present at the expo with our President, Claudia Mensi giving a speech on one of the days. We will also be hosting a panel discussion with FEAD members. We can't wait to see you there!

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By **Lauren Walker**

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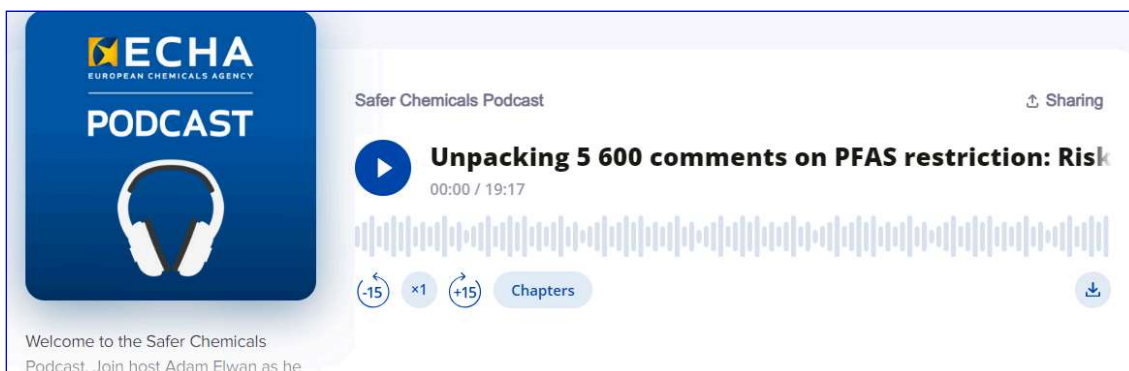
FROM **POLITICO PRO**

EU environment chief warns against 'legitimizing' the far right's Green Deal attack

Virginijus Sinkevičius told POLITICO that he's concerned to see moderate politicians adopting far-right talking points on green legislation.

Assessment of WEEE management in Greece

Technical Support to EERA and
the EERA Greek Committee



FEAD mentions in the Press:

PlastEurope: [Approval of new European rules proposed by waste management association FEAD / Due to take effect in 2025](#)

Recycling Portal: [More legal certainty for the carriage of waste dangerous goods from 2025](#)

RETEMA: [Más seguridad jurídica para el transporte de residuos de mercancías peligrosas a partir de 2025](#)

Residuosprofesional: [MÁS SEGURIDAD JURÍDICA PARA EL TRANSPORTE DE RESIDUOS DE MERCANCÍAS PELIGROSAS](#)

Mrw: [FEAD attacks EU bio-based plastics stance](#)

EUWID Recycling and waste management: [Abfallwirtschaft fordert authentische Berechnungsmethodik von Recyclinganteilen](#)

Residuosprofessional: [Los gestores de residuos celebran la propuesta del reglamento de envases del Parlamento Europeo](#)

GSAIGIENEURBANA: [FEAD si esprime sul regolamento imballaggi e rifiuti di imballaggi](#)

EUWID Recycling and waste management: [PPWR: Euric and FEAD remain concerned about access to recycled material](#)

EUWID Recycling and waste management: [Recycling industry groups call for preservation of plastic waste entries in EU green list](#)

Recyclingmagazine: ['We need to talk about this topic without fear'](#)



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