

# FEAD NEWSLETTER



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**Hello from Brussels.** Last week was busier than a squirrel in a nut factory! A European Parliament plenary session took place, the political Trilogues on PPWR began, and 2040 climate target was revealed by the European Commission.

**At FEAD,** we organised a workshop on the Waste Shipment Regulation for our members and their communities and participated to the 8th IWG meeting on the Transport of Hazardous Waste.



**2040 Climate target communication:** On 6 February, the European Commission presented its [communication](#) on the 2040 climate target to the European Parliament: a 90% net GHG emissions reduction compared to 1990.

Read FEAD's [press release](#) on the topic in which we welcome the European Commission's Communication and acknowledge the concerted effort required to achieve these ambitious goals.

**Carbon Capture Utilisation, and Storage (CCUS):** According to [Value Europe](#), an association that represents the carbon capture and utilisation sector (CCU), by 2050, the EU will have a minimum carbon capture capacity of 320 Mt of CO<sub>2</sub>.

**Industrial carbon management:** On 6 February, the Commission also published its [industrial carbon management strategy](#).

**Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR):** The first political Trilogue meeting on the packaging Regulation was held on 5 February in Strasbourg.

**Waste Framework Directive (revision):** A [vote](#) will take place in the Parliament's ENVI Committee on the topic. FEAD, in cooperation with CEWEP, EuRIC and Municipal Waste Europe, published a [position paper](#) on 20 December highlighting the fact that the introduction of mandatory mixed waste sorting systems must first be subjected to an impact assessment. We stated that 'the **costs and benefits of introducing such mixed waste sorting systems across the EU must be assessed for all waste flows** (not limited to textiles), **looking at the impact on the whole value chain, and considering the relevance of local conditions**'.

**Net-zero Industry Act (NZIA):** A third Trilogue on the topic took place on 6 February during which the European institutions reached an [agreement](#). Under this agreement, there will be a single list of net-zero technologies.

**Strategic Technologies for Europe Platform (STEP):** On 7 February, the Council and the European Parliament reached an [agreement](#) on the topic.

**Mercury:** On 8 February, the Council and the European Parliament reached an [agreement](#) on the proposal to phase out the use of dental amalgam and to prohibit the manufacturing, import and export of a number of mercury-added products, including certain lamps.

**Hazardous Chemicals:** In a [report](#) published on 5 February, the NGO Child Rights International Network (CRIN) points out cases such as infant mortality after exposure to chemicals that they consider to be infringements on the rights of children.

**EFRAG European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS):** On 5 February, EFRAG [released](#) the first set of technical Explanations which answers questions received

on the [ESRS Q&A Platform](#) (launched in the fourth quarter of 2023).

EFRAG has also launched a [public consultation](#) on the Draft XBRL Taxonomy for ESRS Set 1. The consultation is open until 8 April 2024.

**EU Climate change policies and Poland:** According to [Reuters](#), Poland will soon withdraw the lawsuits filed by the previous government against EU climate policies.

**Solar panels financing:** In a [report](#) published on 8 February, the think tank Bruegel states that EU support of the manufacture of solar panels on European soil through subsidies will not create jobs or growth.

**European Green Party Manifesto:** The European Greens manifesto has been [published](#).

**2024 European Elections:** [Terry Reintke](#) (Greens, Germany) and [Bas Eickhout](#) (Greens, The Netherlands) have been officially elected to be the candidates for the 2024 European Commission Presidency for the European Greens Party.

Peter Liese (EPP, Germany) is [running](#) for a seventh term in the European Parliament as head of the list for the Christian Democratic Union of Germany.

**European Investment Bank:** In his [speech](#) at the European Investment Bank forum on 8 February, the Vice-President of the European Commission, Maroš Šefčovič, expressed three suggestions for 'the future direction of the bank'. One of them encourages the EIB to be more 'pragmatic' about the energy sources financed by considering 'green sources but also low carbon'.

**FEAD News:** At FEAD, we organised a workshop on the Waste Shipment Regulation today, 9 February. During the workshop, our Senior Legal and Policy Officer, Aizea Astor Hoschen, went through the general provisions of the Regulation, as well as its enforcement.

We also participated to the 8th IWG meeting on the Transport of Hazardous Waste. Congratulations to AVE, a founding member of our Portuguese member, CÍRCULO, for winning the prestigious PME Crescimento - Expresso PME/Caixa TOP Award in the Energy and Environment category!

We're also thrilled to [share](#) that another CÍRCULO member, ECO-OIL, is making waves in sustainability! Eco-Oil is the first in the world to produce sustainable fuel certified by ISCC (International Sustainability and Carbon Certification).

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## Energy from Waste

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best speakers and technical experts and take part in in-depth discussion sessions and robust debates.

**Gain real value** from the plentiful networking times with fellow industry leaders, enabling meetings, connections, and business growth.

[Learn more here](#)

## A series of workshops on Nutrient recycling policy by the European Sustainable Phosphorus Platform

ESPP workshops on Nutrient recycling policy

The European Sustainable Phosphorus Platform ([ESPP](#)) will hold a series of **workshops on Nutrient recycling policy in Brussels and online on 12-14 March 2024**.

Their objectives are:

- to elaborate ambitious, feasible and consensus proposals for regulatory targets for phosphorus and nitrogen reuse-recycling from municipal wastewater and
- to identify policy tools to support market pull for recycled nutrients which could achieve consensus across industry and users.

**More information** is available [here](#).



**Waste Management Europe**

**9 - 11 April 2024**  
**Bergamo, Italy**

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Waste Management Europe is a reference event in the trade fair panorama linked to the theme of Circular Economy which brings together political decision-makers, global organizations and innovative solutions to address the challenges of waste management and guide the implementation of the various activities in this area. WME 2024 will connect thousands of professionals united by the common effort to achieve very important goals and ensure a planet fit for future generations. The event, focused for this third edition on

the theme "Transforming waste into a resource - Innovate, Collaborate, Support", will once 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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## **Commission scraps 2040 agriculture emissions target**



06 Feb 2024

The European Commission faces a backlash from green groups after announcing proposals on Tuesday for watered-down climate targets for 2040, including scrapping a crucial target for agriculture.

[Read More](#)

**RELATED:** [Leaked 2040 climate target 'plucked from fossil fuel playbook'](#)

## **LEAK: MEPs stand ground on PFAS and BPA ban in packaging waste bill**

**EXCLUSIVE:** Lawmakers are 'unlikely to support' a packaging waste legislation devoid of provisions on PFAS and BPA, according to leaked internal EU Council negotiating documents, as co-legislators prepare for political talks next week.

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**RELATED:** [EU Council adopts stance on packaging waste regulation](#)

# The EU's top 100 waste export destinations in 2022

In 2022, more waste was exported by the EU to Turkey than to any other non-EU country, according to the latest data from Eurostat.



The image is a podcast cover for 'SAFER CHEMICALS PODCAST'. It features a woman with glasses, Karin Rumar, against a blue background. The text on the cover reads: 'EU enforcement project: excessive levels of harmful chemicals found in consumer products'. Below this, it says '- Karin Rumar - Senior Technical Officer, Swedish Chemicals Agency'. At the bottom, there is a white audio waveform and the text 'have found in breach of their conditions, have been'.

FEAD mentions in the Press:

Worldnationnews: [The circular economy is the key to achieving the European Commission's climate goal for 2040.](#)

Mrw: [Industry calls for 75% recycling by 2035](#)

Recyclingportal: [Circular Economy: Paramount to Achieve the European Commission's 2040 Climate Target](#)

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Retema: [La economía circular es clave para alcanzar el objetivo climático de la Comisión Europea para 2040](#)

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