

# FEAD NEWSLETTER



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**Hello from Brussels.** Spring has sprung which means the April plenary sessions are just around the corner and just in time, as many topics are eagerly waiting for this session to be voted on or discussed!



**Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR):** On 19 March, the Parliament [approved](#) the agreement reached with the Council.

**Critical Raw Materials Act:** On 18 March, the Council of the EU [approved](#) the legislation following its adoption by the European Parliament on 13 December.

**Preventing plastic pellet loss:** On 19 March, the MEPS adopted their [position](#) on the [proposed regulation](#) on preventing plastic pellet losses to reduce microplastics

pollution.

According to a [briefing note](#) by the Council dated 15 March, during the 25 March Environment Council, the extension of the scope of the regulation to maritime transport will be discussed.

FEAD supports the introduction of mandatory risk assessment plans but it is important that economic operators define the most appropriate measure according to the nature and size of the installation as there is no 'one-size-fits-all' solutions. Read our [position paper](#).

**Persistent organic pollutants (POPs):** On 21 March, the Commission [adopted](#) the delegated regulation on hexabromocyclododecane (HBCDD).

FEAD participated to the public consultation. Read our position [here](#).

**Wholesale energy markets regulation:** On 18 March, the Council [adopted](#) a Regulation that sets the basis for increased market transparency and integrity, enhancing the public's trust in the functioning of wholesale energy markets.

**Green Deal:** During a conference on 15 March titled '[Translating the EU Green Deal into local action](#)', local, regional and European institutions agreed that a localised version of the Green Deal is complicated due to financing.

**WWF Green Deal survey:** On 20 March, [WWF](#) published the [results](#) of a survey on the EU 2024 elections. For the survey, the NGO reached out to different political parties and asked them questions on environmental and climate issues. According to these results, the fight against climate change remains a key concern.

**Green diplomacy:** On 18 March, the Council [approved](#) conclusions on green diplomacy, reaffirming the EU's commitment to work closely with partners to accelerate a global just and inclusive green transition.

**Climate Reporting:** The European Commission has launched a [consultation](#) to update climate reporting templates to reflect 'Fit for 55' outcomes, which is open until 11 April.

**European Environment Agency (EEA) report on the Circular Economy:** On 21 March, the European Environment Agency published a report titled '[Accelerating the Circular Economy](#)'.

**The Circular Economy for Plastics Analysis:** On 18 March, Plastic Europe published an [analysis](#) that provides an overview of European plastics production, conversion into

products and components, consumption, waste management. It also addresses the different recycling technologies and plastics production from non-fossil based resources, i.e. bio-based and bio-attributed and carbon captured plastics.

**Transforming textiles paper:** On 7 February, TOMRA published a [white paper](#) titled Transforming Textiles: 4 Key Beliefs to Enable Textiles Circularity.

**JRC Study on Economic viability of chemical recycling:** In Q4 2024, the JRC will start an [analysis](#) on the conditions under which chemical recycling processes are economically viable.



#### TOWARDS TOXIC-FREE FORUM - Together for Zero Pollution

The Zero Pollution Ambition, part of the EU's Green Deal, is the driving force behind our efforts to create a toxic-free environment. To explore this vision and chart the way forward, we have brought together a distinguished Group of Experts for what we hope will be an exciting day.

Our common goal is to work together to achieve Zero Pollution ambition. Chemical pollution is a major threat to human health, the environment and biodiversity. The TOWARDS TOXIC-FREE FORUM aims to raise awareness of these issues and highlight the vital role of European Legislation in protecting our health and our planet.

Our event will bring together a wide range of experts, including scientists, industry players and regulators. We will facilitate interactive sessions, in-depth discussions and the exchange of best practices.

The TOWARDS TOXIC-FREE FORUM will address key issues such as European Regulations, Chemical Pollution and Hazardous Waste Management. We will seek to encourage knowledge sharing, promote best practice and stimulate innovation in line with our common Zero Pollution ambition.

We invite you to participate in this initiative and share your expertise.

Together we can make a significant impact in the fight against chemical pollution.

[Register here](#)

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**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 m<sup>2</sup> 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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**PRESS REVIEW & REPORTS**



**UN report states e-waste set to rise to '82m tonnes by 2030'**

**'Anti-democratic': EU watchdog rules against Commission for withholding REACH documents**

**The chemicals detected most frequently in Europe's rivers - and the watercourses where they are found**

**Accelerating the circular economy in Europe  
State and outlook 2024**

FEAD mentions in the Press:

GlobalRecycling: [FEAD's scientific study on the Presence of PFAS in Waste](#)

GlobalRecycling: [FEAD Celebrates European Parliament's Vote on a Revision of the Waste Framework Directive](#)

MRW: [MEPs seek tougher food and textile waste rules](#)

ENDS: [New study unveils concerns over PFAS presence in waste](#)

REBMarketIntelligence: [FEAD produces study looking at PFAS pollutants in the recycling stream](#)

Recyclingmagazine: [FEAD: European Parliament vote on the Waste Framework Directive](#)

Residuosprofessional: [FEAD RECHAZA QUE SE DÉ PRIORIDAD A LAS EMPRESAS DE ECONOMÍA SOCIAL EN LA GESTIÓN DE RESIDUOS TEXTILES](#)

SouthChinaMorningPost: ['Green imperialism': de facto EU ban on recycled plastics imports sparks row in Brussels](#)

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