



## NEWSLETTER N° 167 - 15 APRIL 2024

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Easter's over and Brussels is hopping back into action! Did you hear? The European Parliament adopted its position on the Soil Monitoring Law and approved the agreement on the Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive, talk about some egg-citing news!

**At FEAD**, we've been busy doing what has been deemed impossible: being in two places at once! Last week, half of our team was at Waste Management Europe in Bergamo, in Italy while the other was in Brussels attending SGI Europe's Hybrid Workshop and the Towards Toxic-Free Forum.

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**Chemical Recycling:** On 11 April, a [Motion for a Resolution](#) by MEP Jutta Paulus (Greens, Germany) was published, calling on the Commission to withdraw its draft implementing decision and to submit a new draft to the committee.

**PFAS:** On 5 April, the French government published its [action plan](#) on PFAS, where it outlines its support to the procedure introduced under REACH proposing a broad restriction.

**Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR):** On 11 April, the JRC reports on the 'Design-for-recycling' provisions of the PPWR proposal were published.

**Waste from Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive (WEEE):** On 11 April, the final summary report of the open public consultation of the evaluation of the WEEE Directive was [published](#).

**Soil Monitoring Law (SML):** In the plenary on 10 April, the European Parliament [adopted](#) its position on the European Commission's proposal to achieve healthy soils by 2050.

**Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive:** On 10 April, the European Parliament [approved](#) the agreement on the Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive during the plenary session.

**Project of Common Interest (PCIs):** On 8 April, the new list of projects of Common Interest was [published](#) in the EU Official Journal.

**Energy Charter Treaty (ECT):** On 9 April, the ITRE and INTA Committees of the European Parliament [approved](#) the [recommendation](#) for the European Union's withdrawal from the ECT.

**Electricity Market Reform:** On 11 April, the European Parliament [adopted](#) the agreement reached in December 2023 on the reform of the electricity market.

**Industrial Emissions Directive (IED):** On 12 April, the Council [adopted](#) the IED and the Regulation on the establishment of an industrial emissions portal (IEP).

**Euro 7 Regulation:** On 12 April, the Council [adopted](#) the Euro 7 Regulation on emission limits for road vehicles and battery durability.

**Methane Emissions:** On 10 April, the European Parliament [adopted](#) a law to reduce methane emissions from the energy sector.

**Carbon Removals:** On 10 April, the European Parliament [adopted](#) the agreement on a new voluntary certification framework for carbon removals.

**Hydrogen:** In a study titled 'Why European underground hydrogen storage needs to be fulfilled' by Gas Infrastructure Europe [unveiled](#) on 4 April, it is stated that targeted policies are needed to develop an underground hydrogen storage.

**Construction Products Regulation (CPR):** During the 10 April plenary session, the European Parliament gave its final [approval](#) to the CPR Regulation.

**The European Court of Human Rights ruling on climate inaction:** On 9 April, the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) [condemned](#) Switzerland for climate inaction.

**Forging Economic Security and Cohesion in the EU Report:** On 10 April, the think tank Strategic Perspectives published a report titled '[Forging Economic Security and Cohesion in the EU](#)' that states that reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 90% in 2040 could 'save up to 856 billion euros in fossil fuel imports'.

**Capturing the climate change mitigation benefits of circular economy and waste sector policies and measures:** This [briefing](#) finds that waste management and the circular economy have considerable potential for mitigating climate change.

**Parliament's Rules of Procedure implementing the parliamentary reform:** On 10 April, the European Parliament validated MEP Salvatore De Meo's (EPP, Italy) [report](#) on the new Rules of Procedure.

**European Commission State Aid Scoreboard 2023:** On 9 April, the European Commission published its [State Aid report](#) for 2023.

**European Commission cabinet of Maroš Šefčovič:** [Marina Brakalova](#) joined Maroš Šefčovič's cabinet on the Green Deal.

**FEAD News:** Last week, FEAD was present at Waste Management Europe in Bergamo. During the exhibition, FEAD President, Claudia Mensi, gave a presentation on 'European Waste Targets & Deliverables to 2030'. A FEAD panel on 'Fostering Resource Efficiency and Boosting Recycling – How can Nations Work Together and Achieve Ambitious Recycling & Waste Reduction Targets?' also took place.

A graphic for a FEAD Hybrid Workshop. The word "PARTNERSHIP" is written in large, white, bold letters across a cluster of blue puzzle pieces. Below this, the text "FEAD HYBRID WORKSHOP" is written in blue. To the right, the date "16 APRIL 2024" is shown in white on a dark blue background, with the time "10.30AM-12.30AM" in white on a light blue background. The FEAD logo is in the bottom right corner. On the left, a light blue box contains the text "CIRCULAR ECONOMY VALUE CHAIN PARTNERSHIPS" and "5 presentations:" followed by a bulleted list: Automotive, Construction and landscaping, Plastic packaging, Renewable energy and batteries, and Voluminous objects.

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HYBRID  
WORKSHOP

CIRCULAR ECONOMY VALUE CHAIN  
PARTNERSHIPS

**5 presentations:**

- Automotive
- Construction and landscaping
- Plastic packaging
- Renewable energy and batteries
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**16 APRIL 2024**

**10.30AM-12.30AM**

**FEAD**  
European Waste  
Management Association

FEAD is hosting an upcoming hybrid workshop hosted by FEAD on **16 April, from 10.30AM to 12.30AM at Cen Cenelec meeting centre, rooms Magellan 1 & 2, rue de la Science, 23, Brussels.**

Following the directive from FEAD's Board to establish Circular Economy Value Chain Partnerships across five strategic sectors (automotive, construction & landscaping, plastic packaging, renewable energy & batteries, and voluminous objects), our dedicated Working Groups have been diligently crafting strategies. This hybrid workshop will highlight the work that has been done on the partnerships.

The session will be kicked off by Jean-Paul Judson, providing an overview of the vision and partnership projects, and concluded by FEAD President, Claudia Mensi. The workshop will be followed by a light lunch.

**Please note that this is an internal event reserved for FEAD members.**



## **'Disheartening': Green action 'abandoned' in European Council agenda for next Commission**

## **Member states lock horns over blocked Nature Restoration Law**

POLITICS

## **Accelerating the circular economy in Europe**

## **Analysis: How divisions in Germany's ruling coalition are disrupting key EU green files**

FEAD mentions in the Press:

ENDS: [Joint response on the draft guidelines on removability and replaceability of portable batteries - EURIC & FEAD](#)

PlastEurope: [New waste-shipment rules get thumbs up from Council of the EU / Adoption confirms ban on plastics exports to non-OECD countries](#)

PlasticsInformationEurope: [New waste-shipment rules get thumbs up from Council of the EU / Adoption confirms ban on plastics exports to non-OECD countries](#)

RecyclingMagazine: [New Waste Shipment Regulation formally adopted](#)

MRW: [EU to ban most waste exports outside Europe](#)

LetsRecycle: [FEAD calls for less delays following EU WSR adoption](#)

Residuousofessional: [FEAD ADVIERTE QUE EL NUEVO REGLAMENTO DE TRASLADOS DE RESIDUOS EXIGIRÁ AUMENTAR LA CAPACIDAD DE RECICLAJE](#)

RecyclingPortal: [Revision of the Waste Framework Directive: FEAD celebrates European Parliament's vote](#)

Esgdata: [PFAS pubblicato articolo scientifico FEAD.](#)

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](#)



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