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Communication, Networking and Future Event

- FEAD Biennial Conference & 40th Anniversary on 2nd June 2022, 10 - 12 at IFAT Munich
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Ongoing Surveys and Consultations

- **SCIP Database Survey:**
 - The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) asks for feedback and input about the SCIP database.
 - Please provide us with your feedback to the [draft FEAD answer](#) by **Monday, 21 March 2022, COB.**
 - **Call for evidence on the certification of carbon removals:**
 - The Commission opened for feedback a [call for evidence](#) on the certification of carbon removals according to the Communication on Sustainable Carbon Cycles.
 - Please provide us with your feedback to the [draft FEAD answers](#) to the Commission's questionnaire by **Friday, 15 April 2022, COB.**
 - **FEAD feedback:**
 - 9th March 2022: FEAD provided [feedback](#) to the Commission's initiative for amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1009 on the requirements applicable to EU fertilising products.
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Monitoring of EU Institutions

Life of EU institutions

- EU environmental action programme:

- The European Parliament validates the **EU environmental action programme for 2030**. The vote held on 9 March in plenary resulted in 553 votes for, 130 against and 7 abstentions.
- **Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2066 on the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions:**
 - The Commission published the **Implementing Regulation**, according to which the implementation of sustainability criteria (Article 29 RED) for bioenergy is postponed by one year (until 31 December 2022), due to the delays "in many Member States" in the transposition of RED II.
- **Carbon border adjustment mechanism (CBAM):**
 - France does not plan to include plastics and chemicals in the border carbon adjustment mechanism. The French **compromise** must be validated in the next few days, before being sent to the Finance Ministers for approval on 15 March.
- **POPs:**
 - The **draft compromise** prepared by the French Presidency of the Council of the EU was published. For PBDEs, France proposes a threshold of 500 mg/kg, which would be lowered to 200 mg/kg.
- **Industrial Emission Directive:**
 - The EU executive plans to unveil its draft revision of the IED on 5 April.
- **Environment Council – 17 March 2022:**
 - The Council will hold an exchange of views on the "Fit for 55" package and on a proposal to reduce deforestation and forest degradation.
- **Waste Shipment Regulation:**
 - The Council experts are scheduled to further examine the Commission's proposal on new rules on EU waste shipments and a French Presidency note, who is not yet available, in the coming days.
- **New regulatory framework for batteries:**

- During the debate on Wednesday, MEPs underlined the crucial role that batteries have in the transition to a circular and climate-neutral economy and for the EU's competitiveness and strategic autonomy. The draft legislation was adopted on Thursday with 584 votes in favour, 67 against and 40 abstentions.
 - FEAD issued a [press release](#).
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Press Review & Reports

- **ENDS - MEPs finalise position on Batteries Regulation**
 - The European Parliament has voted in Plenary for higher collection rates for used batteries, for capping the carbon footprint and for stricter rules on replaceability in a plenary vote on its position on the Batteries Regulation. It also confirmed the mandatory recycled contents as proposed by the Commission.
 - Read the full article [here](#).
 - **The Food Packaging Forum** has recently published a [new fact sheet](#) addressing common questions and mix-ups around bioplastics.
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Webinars & Conferences

- **Circularity of bottles: Contributing to the EU Green Deal**
 - Euractiv will have an online event on the 29 April 2022 at 09.30 CET, to discuss what's the best recipe for meeting circular economy and climate objectives and whether DRS are an efficient way to meet collection and recycling targets for EU natural mineral and spring water producers set in the EU's Single Use Plastics Directive.
 - Register [here](#).
- **European Parliament - Safe and sustainable-by-design**
 - The European Parliament had planned an online event on the **24 March 2022, 10.00 CET** about sustainable-by-design as a key tool to boost innovation and growth. Register [here](#).

FEAD website - Reminder

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