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Communication, Networking and Future Even

- FEAD member events:
 - Save the date: FNADE will held their <u>congress</u> on the 21st of June 2022 in Paris. The topic will be: "Feeding the soil and producing energy with the organic recovery of waste".
- FEAD Biennial Conference & 40th Anniversary on 2nd June 2022, 10 12 at IFAT Munich
- 30 March: FEAD published a joined position paper: "Finding a True Balance for Waste Management in the Taxonomy".

Ongoing Surveys and Consultations

- Survey on Paper End-of-Waste:
 - FEAD have prepared a short survey concerning End-of-Waste of Paper. The aim of this survey is to explore the national legislation on End-of-Waste of Paper, understand the main principles and allow comparability.
 - In order to discuss the results during the meeting, we kindly ask you to complete the <u>survey</u>, by Tuesday 5th April COB.
- Revision of the ELV Directive and the corresponding Directive on 3R type-approval:
 - FEAD participated in the workshop supporting the impact assessment to be performed by the European Commission as part of the joint review of the ELV Directive and the "3R type-approval" Directive.
 - Please provide us with your feedback, by 6th April COB.

Call for evidence on the certification of carbon removals:

- The Commission opened for feedback a <u>call for</u> <u>evidence</u> on the certification of carbon removals according to the Communication on Sustainable Carbon Cycles.
- Please provide us with your feedback to the <u>draft FEAD</u> <u>answers</u> to the Commission's questionnaire by Friday, 15 April 2022, COB.

• Questionnaire on 'in-house' procurement:

 At the initiative of PIGO, we invite you to fill in this <u>questionnaire</u> on 'in-house' procurement by Friday, 15 April 2022, COB.

Monitoring of EU Institutions

Life of EU institutions

• Persistent organic pollution:

 Members of the ENVI Committee approved on 31 March the report on the revision of concentration limits for a series of pollutants in waste. The plenary vote is scheduled for the week of 2 May.

• Industrial Emission Directive:

• The <u>draft revised IED Directive</u> has been leaked. The Commission considers that the directive has "made only a limited contribution to decarbonisation" and therefore intends to extend the scope of the text to include mineral extraction and battery manufacturing plants with a production capacity of more than 2.5 GWh per year. Being subject to the ETS will no longer allow exemption from the energy efficiency requirements included in the IED. The Commission's proposal is expected to be published on 5 April.

• Circular economy package I:

 The Commission presented a package to make sustainable products the norm in the EU. Part of the package is the <u>proposal for a Regulation on Ecodesign for</u> <u>Sustainable Products</u>, the <u>EU Strategy for Sustainable</u> <u>and Circular Textiles</u>, and the <u>revision of the</u>

Construction Products Regulation.

• <u>Taxonomy:</u>

- The platform of experts on sustainable finance published a <u>report</u> on 28 March, on the transition to a sustainable economy. All activities should be classified, creating categories from green to red (or brown).
- The extended Taxonomy framework would acknowledge the reasons why these activities are not green, and the criteria that demonstrate that, explaining why, in some cases, these activities may be significantly harmful, but also showing that there is potential for valid and urgent transitions away from significantly harmful performance.
- An extended Taxonomy framework clarifies the activity, depending on its performance level, fits where, and hence what its transition should be within the overall system transition.
- A <u>second report</u> was published by the Platform, on 30 March, with an <u>annex</u> on the technical screening criteria for activities complying, with the circular economy objective, and with the three other remaining environmental objectives.

Press Review & Reports

- ENDS Commission vows to put the brakes on 'fast fashion'
 - By 2030 fast fashion should be a thing of the past under plans to reduce the environmental impact of the textile industry presented by the European Commission on Wednesday.
 - Read the full article here.
- ENDS In-depth: What you need to know about the Sustainable Products Initiative
 - The European Commission published on Wednesday sweeping plans to improve the environmental sustainability of products placed on the EU market. Here's what you need to know.
 - Read the full article here.

Webinars & Conferences

- Making greener products the norm in the EU?
 - Hosted by Politico on 4 April. More information here.
- 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.

FEAD website - Reminder

- Go to your Member Area (<u>https://fead.be/index.php</u> > "Members Only")
- Enter your login and password (Please ask your login and password to <u>info@fead.be</u> if you forgot it)
- Go to "Active Files" and here you have access to all files followed by FEAD Secretariat. We keep it updated!
- Frequency of FEAD Bulletin: The bulletin will be sent maximum once per week, but without a minimum if it not necessary. If there is a slow week with no new relevant information, then we deem that it is not necessary to send it.

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