

# Climate Recon 2050: Dialogues on Pathways and Policy

Planning for 2050

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Conference

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### EU experience with long-term climate strategies

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Venue: bip – Rue Royale 2-4

**At the end of 2019, all EU Member States must have a national long-term climate strategy.** Around half of them Member States have already undertaken such 2050 planning exercises in recent years to help put them on a path towards drastic emission reductions. In fact, some are already reviewing existing strategies – increasing their ambition in the wake of the Paris Agreement.

In November 2018, the Commission published a proposal for the EU-wide long-term strategy, calling it a “European strategic long-term vision for a prosperous, modern, competitive and climate neutral economy”. This proposal is now under debate among Member States – and is expected to be a topic of conversation at the “Future of Europe” summit in Sibiu in May. The European Parliament has already endorsed the vision in a resolution adopted mid-March.

The conference “Planning for 2050” is **taking stock of the experience gained in Europe and presents lessons learnt** as well as challenges encountered in different Member States – and seeks to connect them to the EU’s own overall 2050 vision. It is based on insights, conversations and contacts made through a set of dialogue meetings held under the “Climate Recon 2050” project, which brought together policymakers and technical experts involved in long-term strategies from around the EU.

The conference will bring together a range of relevant stakeholders (governments, civil society, business) in an innovative setting, with space for interaction and feedback.

**Participation is limited – early registration is advised.**

<https://registration.ecologic-events.eu/planning-2050>

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## Draft AGENDA

Time	Agenda item
09:30	<b>Registration and coffee</b>
10:00	<b>Welcome and introduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome and outline of the day <i>Camilla Bausch, Director, Ecologic Institute</i></li><li>• A framework for thinking about 2050 plans: insights from Climate Recon 2050 <i>Matthias Duwe, Head, Climate, Ecologic Institute</i></li></ul>
10:20	<b>Spotlight session: “Why should you plan for 2050 – the benefits of long-term planning”</b> <p>This dynamic interview session on stage will focus on the added value generated through the process of long-term planning and the implementation processes – followed by brief Q&amp;A with the audience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Representative of the Ministry for the Environment, Germany (invited)</i></li><li>• <i>Getlyn Denks, Head, Climate Department, Ministry of the Environment, Estonia (confirmed)</i></li><li>• <i>Moderator: Camilla Bausch, Ecologic Institute</i></li></ul>
10:50	<b>Spotlight session: “Beyond forecasting: towards the zero-carbon dream”</b> <p>The second panel explores how to develop meaningful plans for a distant future, beyond economic forecasting. How to move from projections to visions?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Experts</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <i>Katarina Trstenjak, Jozef Stefan Institute, LIFE project ClimatePath2050, Slovenia (confirmed)</i></li><li>○ <i>Yves Marignac, Director, Association négaWatt, France (confirmed)</i></li><li>○ <i>Moderator: Lola Vallejo, Climate Programme Director, IDDRI (confirmed)</i></li></ul></li></ul>
11:20	<b>Coffee break</b>

<b>11:50</b>	<p><b>Deep Dive: exploring key topics for 2050 planning</b></p> <p>Participants will be able to join two different topics for in-depth discussion. The conversations will be organised in parallel sessions of up to 10 people each – with two rounds of 25 minutes each.</p> <p><b>Themes</b> (final list to be confirmed)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Net-zero emissions as a long-term goal</td> <td style="padding: 5px;"><i>Lukas Emele (Öko Institut) - confirmed;</i> <i>Gwenael Podesta (France) - confirmed</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Just transition: proactive strategies</td> <td style="padding: 5px;"><i>Lola Vallejo (IDDRI) - confirmed;</i> <i>Maciej Bukowski (WiseEuropa) - confirmed</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">EU-MS interactions on climate – NECPs and LTSs</td> <td style="padding: 5px;"><i>Erica Hope (ECF) - confirmed,</i> <i>Quentin Genard (E3G) - confirmed</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Stakeholder engagement in 2050 planning</td> <td style="padding: 5px;"><i>Judith Voss-Stemping - confirmed;</i> <i>Pedro Barata (Portugal) - confirmed</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Climate laws: a legal framework for 2050</td> <td style="padding: 5px;"><i>Matthias Duwe (Ecologic Institute) - confirmed</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Don't be afraid of sufficiency: broadening mitigation options</td> <td style="padding: 5px;"><i>Yves Marignac (Association Négawatt) - confirmed</i></td> </tr> </table>	Net-zero emissions as a long-term goal	<i>Lukas Emele (Öko Institut) - confirmed;</i> <i>Gwenael Podesta (France) - confirmed</i>	Just transition: proactive strategies	<i>Lola Vallejo (IDDRI) - confirmed;</i> <i>Maciej Bukowski (WiseEuropa) - confirmed</i>	EU-MS interactions on climate – NECPs and LTSs	<i>Erica Hope (ECF) - confirmed,</i> <i>Quentin Genard (E3G) - confirmed</i>	Stakeholder engagement in 2050 planning	<i>Judith Voss-Stemping - confirmed;</i> <i>Pedro Barata (Portugal) - confirmed</i>	Climate laws: a legal framework for 2050	<i>Matthias Duwe (Ecologic Institute) - confirmed</i>	Don't be afraid of sufficiency: broadening mitigation options	<i>Yves Marignac (Association Négawatt) - confirmed</i>
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<b>13:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>												
<b>14:00</b>	<p><b>Deep Dive: country specific details</b></p> <p>This session features presentations from a diverse set of European countries on their 2050 planning experience, with their respective highlights and lessons learned</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Country experts</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Portugal: (Eduardo Santos, Director of Climate Change Department, Environment Agency or) Pedro Barata, get2C, Coordinator 2050 strategy project (confirmed)</i></li> <li>○ <i>Czech Republic: Pavel Zamyslicky, Director, Energy and Climate Protection Department, Ministry of Environment (confirmed)</i></li> <li>○ <i>Latvia: Elina Baltroka, Head of Division, Climate Change and Adaptation Policy Division, Ministry of Environmental protection and Regional Development (confirmed)</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Moderator: Istvan Bart, Energiaklub (confirmed)</i></li> </ul> <p>Presentations followed by Q&amp;A with the audience</p>												

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**15:00 EU perspective: a net zero vision of the future?**

Format: High-level conversation between key thinkers of the #EU2050 debate.

Panellists are in charge: they pose each other questions to create a lively and engaging debate. The session includes facilitated interaction with the audience.

Panellists:

- Tom van Ierland, Head of Unit C.1. “Strategy & Economic Assessment”, DG CLIMA, European Commission (confirmed)
- Marjo Nummelin, Ministerial advisor, Finnish Environment Ministry – incoming EU Presidency (invited)
- Robert Jeszke, Head of Strategy, Analysis and Auction Unit, National Centre for Emissions Management (Kobize), Poland (confirmed)

Moderator: Matthias Duwe, Ecologic Institute

**16:00 Summary and closing**

**Followed by informal networking reception with tea, coffee and cake.**

**And Belgian chocolate. This is Brussels, after all.**