

2018 European Policy Calendar

January

Bulgarian Presidency of the European Union
Green Week at the European Parliament – 1-5 January, Brussels
Czech Presidential Elections (first round) – 12-13 January, Czech Republic
Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) – 22 January, Brussels
Economic and Financial Affairs Council (ECOFIN) – 23 January, Brussels
Cypriot Presidential Election – 28 January, Cyprus
Finnish Presidential Election – 28 January, Finland
General Affairs Council (Art. 50) – 29 January, Brussels
Agriculture and Fisheries Council (AGRIFISH) – 29 January, Brussels

February

Agriculture and Fisheries Council (AGRIFISH) – 19 February, Brussels
Economic and Financial Affairs Council (ECOFIN) – 20 February, Brussels
2018 Circular Economy Stakeholder Conference – 20-21 February, Brussels
Informal heads of state or government meeting – 23 February, Brussels (MFF discussion)
Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) – 26 February, Brussels
Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council (TTE) (energy) – 26 February, Brussels
Coal Regions in Transition Platform Working Groups: launch and first meetings – 26-27 February, Brussels
General Affairs Council (incl. Art.50) – 27 February, Brussels
European Parliament Plenary Session – 28 February, Brussels

March

European Parliament Plenary Session – 1 March, Brussels
Italian general election – 4 March, Italy
Environment council (ENVI) – 5 March, Brussels
Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) – 6 March, Brussels
High-level conference on the next Multiannual financial framework – 9 March, Sofia
Economic and Financial Affairs Council (ECOFIN) – 13 March, Brussels
European Parliament Plenary Session – 12-15 March, Strasbourg
Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) – 19 March, Brussels
Agriculture and Fisheries Council (AGRIFISH) – 19 March, Brussels
Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) – 19 March, Brussels

General Affairs Council (incl. Art.50) – 20 March, Brussels
The second Global Adaptation Network Forum (UN Environment event) – 20-21 March, Abu Dhabi
High-level conference: Financing sustainable growth – 22 March, Brussels (live streaming available)
European Council – 22-23 March, Brussels (including adoption of negotiating guidelines on the future relationship with the UK)
EU-Turkey leaders' meeting – 26 March, Varna, Bulgaria

April

FAO International Symposium on Agroecology – 3-5 April, Rome
Hungarian parliamentary election – 8 April, Hungary
Informal Environment council (ENVI) on COP24 – 10-11 April, Sofia
The role of low carbon fuels in decarbonising transport: the emerging consensus from international initiatives – 10-11 April, Brussels
Agriculture and Fisheries Council (AGRIFISH) – 16-17 April, Luxembourg
European Parliament Plenary Session – 16-19 April, Strasbourg
General Affairs Council (incl. Art.50) – 17 April, Luxembourg
Informal Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council (TTE) – 19-20, Sofia
2018 Spring Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank Group – 20-22 April, Washington D.C.
Biodiver-City: Enhancing urban biodiversity and ecosystem services to make cities more resilient – 24 April, Sofia
TEN-T DAYS 2018 – 25-27 April, Ljubljana
UNFCCC Bonn Climate Change Conference – 30 April-10 May, Bonn

May

Presentation of EU budgetary plans – future Multiannual Financial Framework beyond 2020
European Parliament Plenary Session – 2-3 May, Brussels
1st Talanoa Dialogue – 6 May, Bonn
Implementation and Enforcement of Environmental Law (IMPEL) Review Initiative – 7-10 May, Ljubljana
Agriculture and Fisheries Council (AGRIFISH) – 14 May, Brussels
General Affairs Council (incl. Art.50) – 14 May, Brussels
5th European Conference on Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (SUMPs) – 14-15 May, Nicosia
Committee of the Regions Plenary Session – 16-17 May, Brussels

Blue Invest 2018 – 17 May, Brussels
EU-Western Balkans summit – 17 May, Sofia
G20 - Meeting of Foreign Affairs Ministers – 21 May, Buenos Aires, Argentina
Green Week – 21-25 May, Brussels – “Green Cities for a Greener Future”
Nordic Clean Energy Week – 21-25 May, Copenhagen / Malmö
9th Clean Energy Ministerial – 22-25 May, Copenhagen / Malmö
Economic and Financial Affairs Council (ECOFIN) – 25 May, Brussels
Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) – 28 May, Brussels
European Parliament Plenary Session – 28-31 May, Strasbourg
Meeting of the European Electricity Regulatory Forum – 30-31 May, Florence

June

Informal Agriculture and Fisheries Council (AGRIFISH) – 3-5 June, Sofia
EU Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) – 4-8 June, Brussels
World Circular Economy Forum – 5-6 June, Helsinki
G7 summit – 8-9 June, Charlevoix, Canada
Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council (TTE) council (energy) – 7-11 June, Luxembourg
European Parliament Plenary Session – 11-14 June, Strasbourg
G20 - Energy Transitions Ministerial Meeting – 15 June, Bariloche, Argentina
Adaptation Future 2018 (UN Environment event) – 18-21 June, Cape Town, S. Africa - biennial conference of the Global Programme of Research on Climate Change Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation (PROVIA).
Agriculture and Fisheries Council (AGRIFISH) – 18-19 June, Luxembourg
Economic and Financial Affairs Council (ECOFIN) – 22 June, Luxembourg
Environment council (ENVI) – 25 June, Luxembourg
Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) – 25 June, Luxembourg
General Affairs Council (incl. Art.50) – 26 June, Luxembourg
European Council – 28-29 June, Brussels

July

Slovenian Parliamentary Elections, Slovenia
Austrian Presidency of the European Union – 1 July

European Parliament Plenary Session – 2-5 July, Strasbourg
High Level Political Forum – 9-18 July, UN HQ, New York.
Theme: "Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies"
G20: Agriculture Ministerial Meeting – 27-28 July, Buenos Aires, Argentina

September

Swedish general election – 9 September, Sweden
European Parliament Plenary Session – 10-13 September, Strasbourg
Think 20 Summit – 16-18 September, Buenos Aires, Argentina
EIP Water Conference 2017 – Water Innovation: Bridging Gaps, Creating Opportunities – 27-28 September, Porto, Portugal

October

Latvian Parliamentary Elections, Latvia
2018 Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank Group – 12-14 October, Bali Nusa Dua, Indonesia
Luxembourg parliamentary election – 14 October, Luxembourg
Madrid Forum – 17-18 October, Madrid
European Council – 18-19 October, Brussels
12th ASEM Summit – 18-19 October, Brussels
European Parliament Plenary Session – 22-25 October, Strasbourg

November

Irish Presidential Elections, Ireland
Czech Senate Elections, Czechia
CBD COP14 – 10-22 November, Sharm-El-Sheikh
European Parliament Plenary Session – 12-15 November, Strasbourg
European Parliament Plenary Session – 28-29 November, Brussels
G20 Summit – 30 Nov-1 Dec, Buenos Aires, Argentina

December

UNFCCC COP24 – 3-14 December, Katowice, Poland
European Parliament Plenary Session – 10-13 December, Strasbourg
European Council – 13-14 December, Brussels