

5th Zero Pollution Stakeholder Platform meeting

9 November 2023



Agenda



10:30	Registration and welcome coffee
11:00	Welcome and introduction (Co-chairs)
11:10	European Year of Skills for the Green Deal Transition
12:30	Networking lunch
14:00	New European Bauhaus (NEB): Imagining and building a future that is 'Beautiful, Sustainable and Together'
14:45	Towards a strategic research agenda for the Green Deal transition including Zero Pollution
16:00	Information Points – (a) Upcoming Upcoming meetings in 2024 (b) Second edition of the ZP Outlook and Monitoring report (2024)
16:20	Conclusions and next steps by the co-chairs
16:30	End of meeting



Welcome and introduction

Co-chairs

Patrick Child, Deputy Director General, DG Environment, European Commission and
Marieke Schouten, Member of the Committee of the Regions



European Year of Skills for the Green Deal Transition



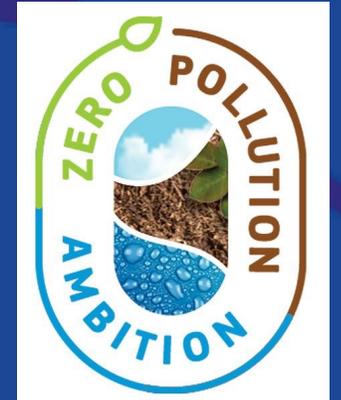
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MARKKU MARKKULA

- Vice-President of the EU Committee of the Regions (CoR)
- President of the Helsinki Region
- CoR rapporteur on the EU Missions & the New EU Innovation Agenda



European Year of Skills for the Green Deal Transition



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- *What are the main challenges and opportunities in promoting green skills?*
- *Which specific new green skills are needed to support the Green Deal and Zero Pollution agenda over the next decade?*

Skills for Zero Pollution Ambition



1. **Local and Regional authorities need both financial and technical support for implementing the Zero Pollution Action Plan.**
2. **Need for support mechanisms, capacity building for local and regional authorities, knowledge sharing and innovation.**
3. **Inclusion of young people, also through Erasmus+, European Solidarity Corps and the European Social Fund programmes.**
4. **Connection with Circular Economy, for example in the textiles sector.**
5. **Special attention to the Chemicals strategy**

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Ensuring skills for Chemicals Strategy

1. Importance of human capital in implementation.
2. Ensure continuity of staff.
3. Provide the time for workers to be properly trained in chemical management.
4. Upskilling and reskilling of workers is key to ensuring competitiveness.
5. EU financial support for the upskilling and reskilling of workers.
6. Create new economic opportunities while fostering social justice and resilience, especially in the most vulnerable regions.
7. Need of very complex knowledge, specialist expertise and investment of time on the part of companies and authorities, and constant need for information, advice and further training.



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New skills are needed for the green and digital transition to deliver on the Green Deal and Zero Pollution. Why and how?

CoR Resolution European Year of Skills & CoR Resolution Harnessing talent in Europe's Regions made among others the following statements and proposals:

1. Digital and green transitions require a fundamental shift of skills.
2. Investments in future-proofing skills requires a paradigm shift in all skills sets.
3. Develop new ideas, services and models to better address societal challenges.
4. Strengthen innovation capacity and facilitate the transfer and upscaling of innovation solutions.
5. Stimulate dynamic innovation ecosystems through smart specialisation strategies.
6. Create talent-attraction ecosystems that are tailor-made, interoperable and place-based.

7. Education, training and VET should be continuously updated and framed by a future-oriented skills perspective.
8. Create skills ecosystems and increase agility of VET.
9. Importance of Centres of Vocational Excellence (CoVEs).
10. Investments into capacity building of persons employed in the public sector is a must.
11. Recognize the competences learned through non-formal education and informal learning.
12. Pay due attention to citizenship skills with the view to empowering people of all ages.
13. Inclusion of gender equality dimension.
14. "One-size-fits-all approach is not effective.

15. Develop evidence-based policy-making and undertake strategic foresight activities.
16. LRAs should collaborate closely with educational establishments and industry.
17. Build on the potential of mentoring schemes and incorporate the principles of multilevel governance cooperation.
18. Promote the modernisation and adaptation to climate change of farms.
19. Recognise the potential of smart villages in rural areas.
20. EU cohesion policy can have a greater impact on skills.



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What skills and competences are needed to transferring the EU level ambitious policy to locally tailored actions?

I review this in the light of the EU Commission assessment, which on 19 July 2023 brought up, among others, the following statements:

- A. EU Missions require the development of **large-scale and cross-policy synergies** over long periods and across the EU, national, regional and local levels in order to succeed.
- B. **A broader portfolio of instruments** needs to be mobilised, with the Horizon Europe calls serving only as seed funding and orchestrators rather than the main instruments of deployment.
- C. **Member States' programming of EU funding** needs to be aligned more closely with the EU Missions. This is an integral element of synergy building, for instance by **making more systematic use of Cohesion policy for the EU Missions**.

Zero pollution activities are directly linked to many other EU initiatives, particularly to the EU Missions and the New European Innovation Agenda.

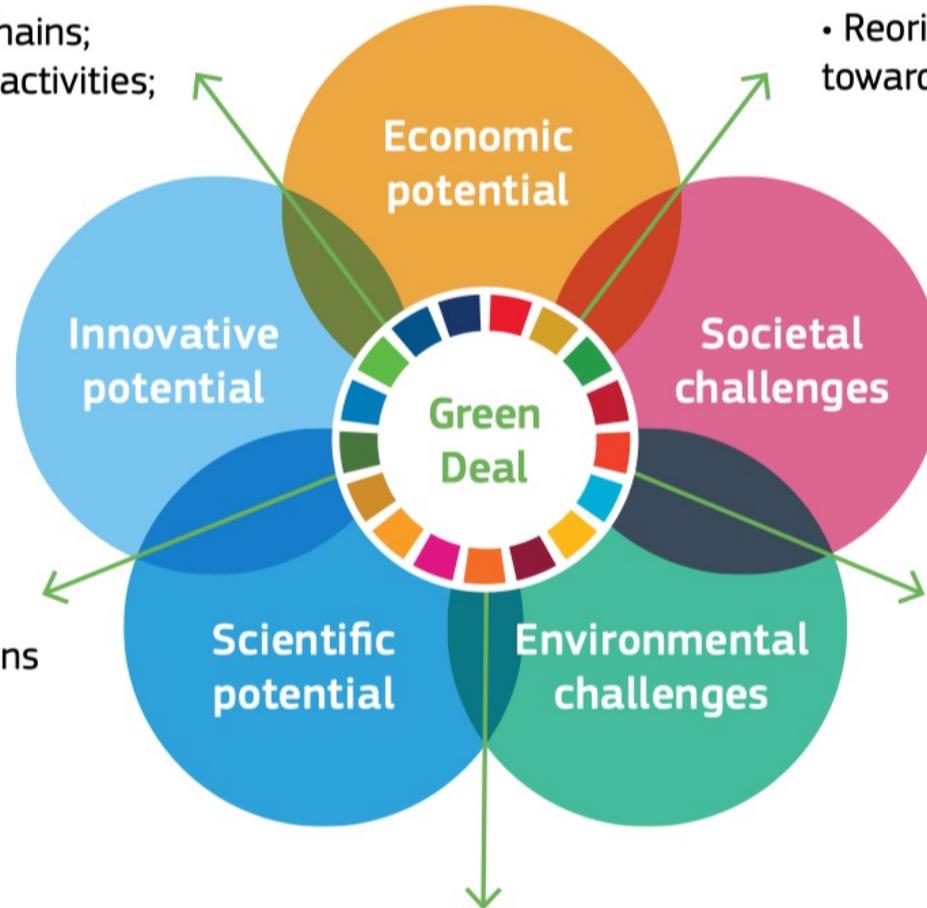


Reaching the ambitious targets requires competences on all levels to lead and manage the systemic transformation. MLG does not mean only EU, national, regional and local. MLG also means a firm commitment on all levels inside every organization.

Skills demand = High-quality competences required:
Implementing Green Deal is a complex process
based on multidimensional systemic collaboration

- Moving up along value chains;
- Adding value to existing activities;
- Niches to compete on international markets

- Reorienting the economy towards human well-being



- Creating new innovative solutions

- Aligning social and environmental objectives

- Harnessing knowledge to avoid negative environmental impacts

The slide is based on JRC & CoR Partnerships for Regional Innovation, PRI Playbook 2022

**LEVEL UP YOUR REGION
WITH INNOVATION
PARTNERSHIPS**

Partnerships for
Regional Innovation



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European Committee
of the Regions

SDGs guide the EU moving to action.

Zero pollution is not a separate activity area.

Systemic transformation requires integrated ambitious actions. These need to be seen and implemented on a broad policy basis:

1. Europe needs **innovation-driven territorial transformation** based on Smart Specialisation and European partnerships.
2. The challenges are complex, and **only part of the necessary scientific and technological knowledge exists**.
3. Implementing the European Green Deal can only happen at the local and regional levels. This requires a true commitment to targeted transformation based on multilevel governance: **empowering all actors**, developing **place-based ecosystems** and using public-private collaboration opportunities.
4. Europe needs more use of multiple funding instruments and **exploit synergies** to generate co-benefits for the economy, society and environment.
5. **Co-create challenge-oriented innovation**: define local missions to deliver effective solutions to pressing societal challenges within defined timeframes.

<p>European Green Deal</p>	
<p>Economy that works for people</p>	
<p>Europe fit for the digital age</p>	
<p>European way of life</p>	
<p>Stronger Europe in the world</p>	
<p>European Democracy</p>	

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Conclusions

Our targets are ambitious. Special focused actions are needed. Mindset change needs to be accelerated. Zero pollution is directly linked to many other EU initiatives, particularly to the EU Missions and the New European Innovation Agenda. Carrying out systematic transformation processes requires:



On all levels

1. New evidence-based mentality, methodologies and competences to accelerate the implementation and to make it happen bottom-up.
2. Deep understanding of interrelationships in tackling complex grand societal challenges – and systemic change management based on all four dimensions of sustainability: ecological, economic, social and cultural.
3. Focus and invest much more on learning to learn skills and competences to increase human capital based on professional development of personal and team learning.

On local level

4. Environmental aspects need to be included in all education: general lifelong learning opportunities for all and specific programmes in primary and secondary schools, VET, and all university education.
5. Cities and regions should include skills development action plans in their strategies, climate neutrality roadmaps and operational budgets. The special focus should be on changing the mindset to see the city as a platform and community of all actors, including citizens and industry – and breaking the silo way of operating
6. EU needs bottom-up breakthrough initiatives to be carried out in European partnerships to showcase and conceptualize the transformation processes for a European-wide use.

The Sustainability Transition

If you can't measure it, you can't manage it, and you can't improve it!

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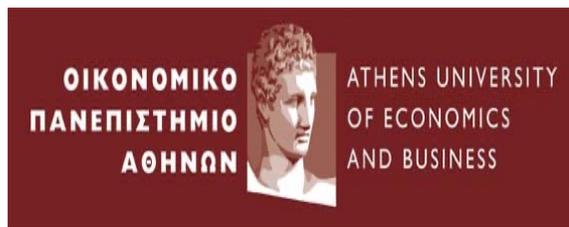
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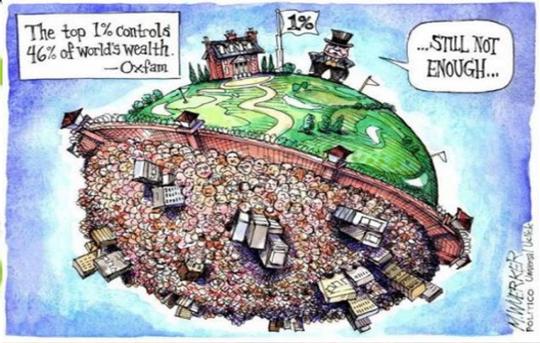
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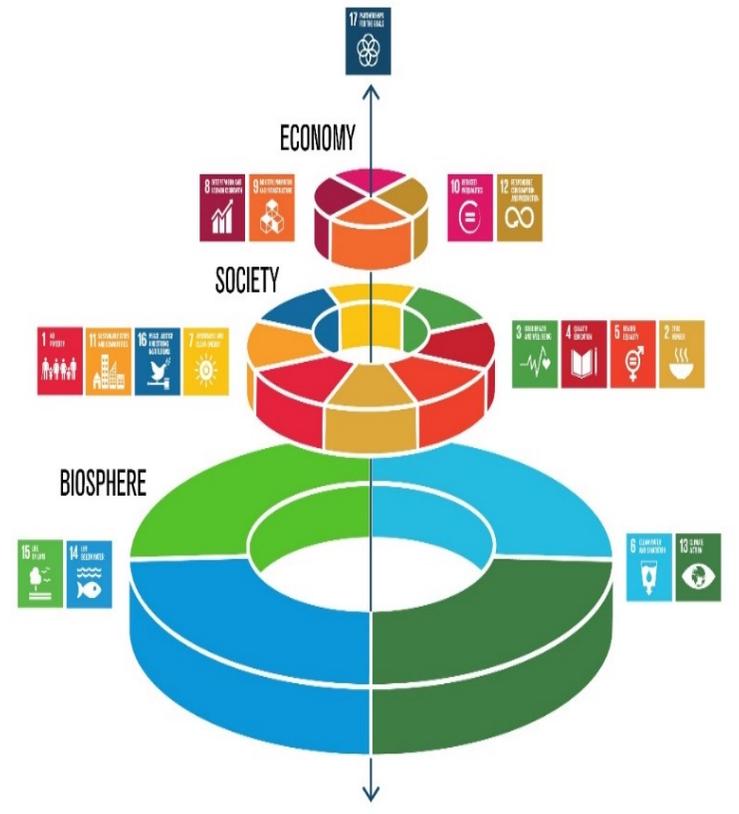


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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS





200
PEOPLE



100
PROJECTS



150
CONFERENCES
ORGANIZED



543
PUBLICATIONS



500_M
FUNDING

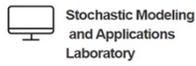


Prof. Phoebe Koundouri
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Research and Innovation Centers



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Hub

Innovation Acceleration Hubs

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SDSN Greece



Water Europe



Nexus cluster



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Arts



SDGs – ESG
measurement

Sustainable Finance



Sustainable Pathways
Climate Neutrality
& Resilience



Sustainable Pathways
for Seas and Oceans



Sustainable Pathways
Land Use &
WFEB Nexus



Innovation Acceleration
Education
Upskilling/Reskilling

Summary of the Policy Framework for the transition to sustainability



Financing the Joint Implementation of the SDGs and the European Green Deal

2nd report of the SDSN Senior Working Group on the European Green Deal

Report launch **May 3 / 4 pm-6 pm CEST**

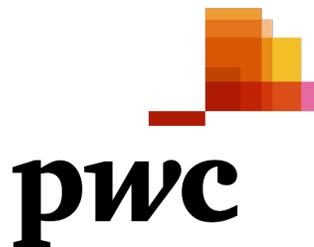
<https://sdsn.eu/european-green-deal-senior-working-group/>

Chairs: Phoebe Koundouri and Jeff Sachs



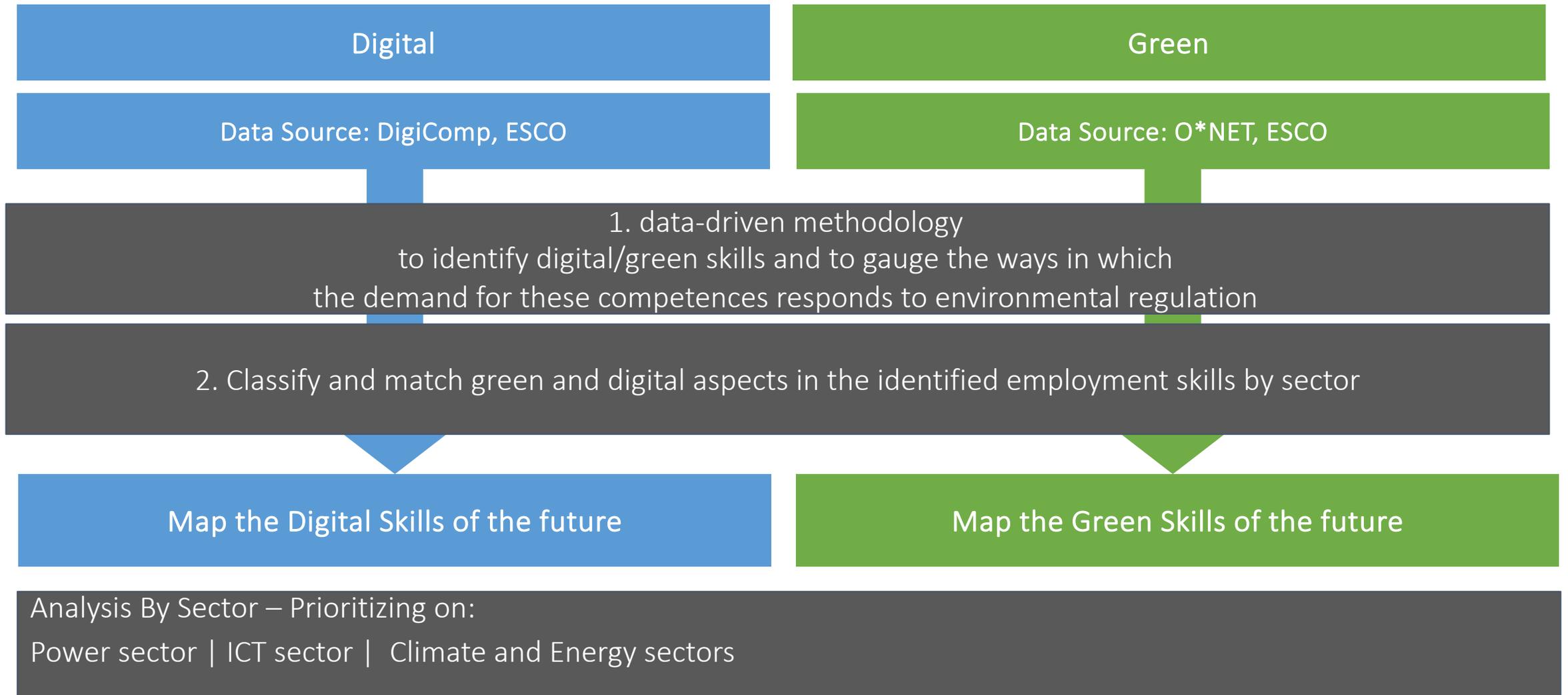


White Paper: Green Digital Skills to boost the twin transition



2023 European Year of Skills

Our overall approach



Skills taxonomies

categorize occupations into job families and plan the next day for the twin transition

Skill taxonomies

Characteristics



European Classification of Skills, Competences, Qualifications and Occupations (ESCO) identifies and categorises skills/ competences, qualifications and occupations, showing the relationships between occupations, skills/competences and qualifications.

EU focused – It includes **2942 occupations** across all hierarchy levels and **13485 skills/competencies** and the classification is relevant for the EU labour market and education and training, in 25 European languages.

Correlation between skills and occupations – Occupations are matched with essential and optional skills, competences and knowledge that are related to the job role



The **Occupational Information Network** free online skills database that contains hundreds of job definitions and skills lists to help students, job seekers, businesses and workforce development professionals to understand today's world of work in the United States.

US focused – It includes more than **900 occupations** across all hierarchy levels in the public, private, military sectors.

Benchmarking – Skills/ knowledge/ abilities are matched with occupations based on the importance of each in relevance to the responsibilities of each occupation and the level needed to perform the job.

Green & Digital Occupations – top 6

Green Occupations	Score
energy assessor	90.909
natural resources consultant	78.788
energy conservation officer	75.000
environmental policy officer	75.000
energy analyst	70.833
environmental expert	70.588

Digital Occupations	
webmaster	98.837
software tester	96.154
user interface developer	93.878
ICT network administrator	93.684
database integrator	93.548
system configurator	93.478

Green and Digital Occupations	
smart home engineer	6.818
smart home installer	6.667
geothermal technician	4.878
green ICT consultant	4.762
irrigation technician	4.348
environmental education officer	4.000

Green & Digital Skills – top 6

Green Skills	Score
handling and disposing of waste and hazardous materials	100.000
environmental sciences	90.000
environmental protection technology	86.667
complying with environmental protection laws and standards	84.444
natural environments and wildlife	80.000
advising on environmental issues	65.517

Digital Skills	
browsing, searching and filtering digital data	100.000
resolving computer problems	100.000
setting up computer systems	100.000
using word processing, publishing and presentation software	100.000
using computer aided design and drawing tools	100.000
using digital tools for collaboration, content creation and problem solving	100.000

Green and Digital Skills	
environmental protection technology	6.667
complying with environmental protection laws and standards	4.444
operating agricultural or forestry equipment	3.846
using precision measuring equipment	3.333
designing electrical or electronic systems or equipment	2.500
monitoring environmental conditions	2.381

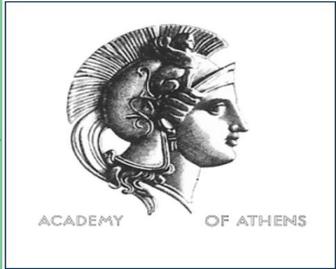


SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT SOLUTIONS NETWORK
A GLOBAL INITIATIVE FOR THE UNITED NATIONS
Global Climate Hub

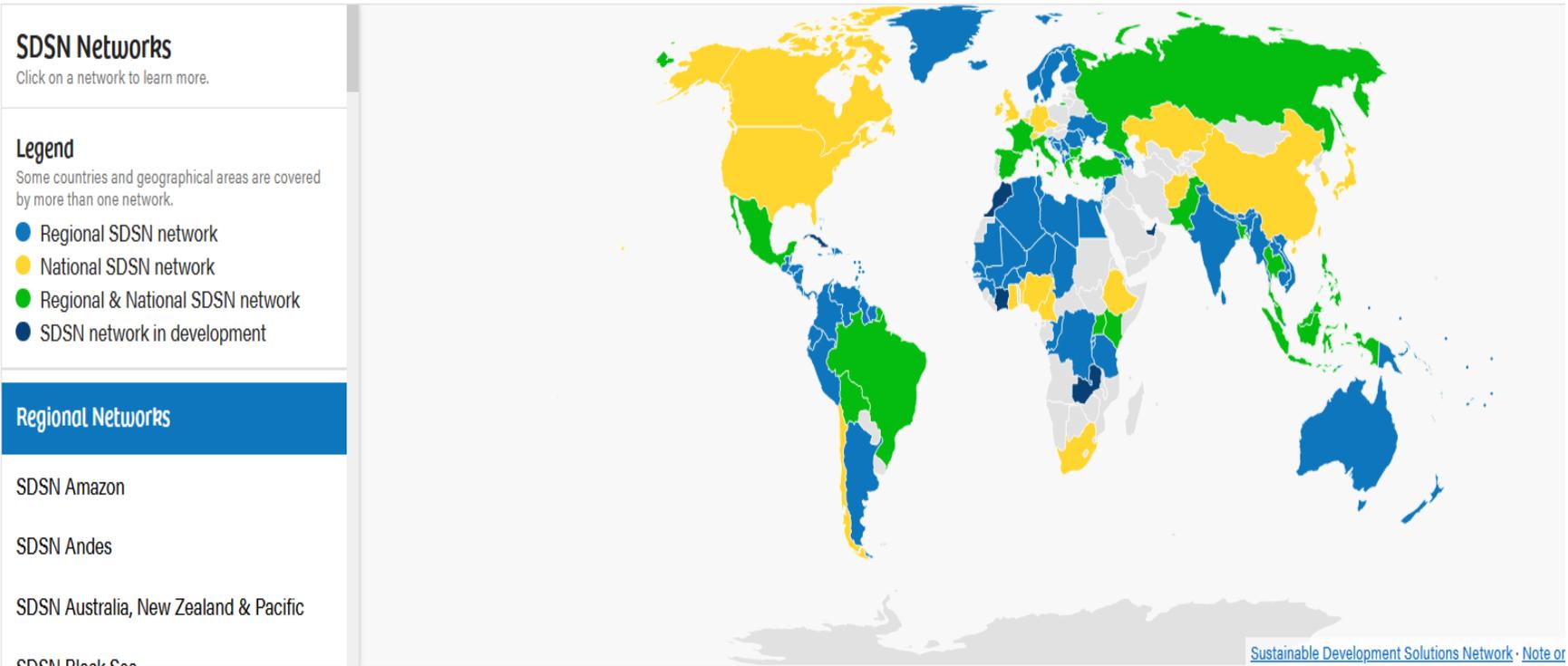


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In collaboration with national governments and respective SDSN National Hubs (2000 institutions globally) we *co-design national and sub-national pathways* for the transition to a *climate neutral and resilient world*.



- Optimal Dynamic Mixture of*
- *Technologies*
 - *Policies*
 - *Fiscal & Financial Instruments*
 - *Socio-Economic Narratives*

UN SDSN Global Climate Hub

<https://unsdsn.globalclimatehub.org>

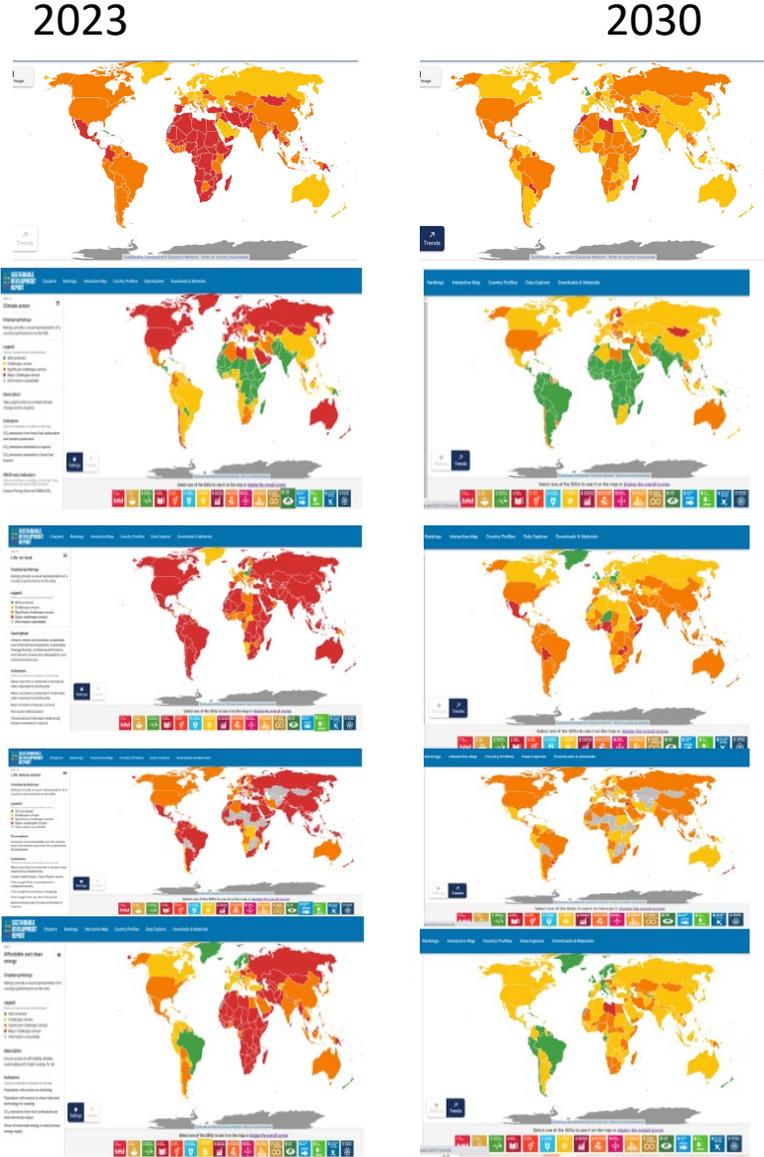
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Sustainable
Economic Growth
SDG8

Climate Action SDG13

Life on Land SDG15

Life Below Water
SDG14

Affordable & Clean
Energy SDG7



 <p>Climate Data Platforms and Digital Applications</p>	 <p>Atmospheric Physics and Climatology</p>	 <p>Climate & Energy Modeling</p>
 <p>Climate, Land Use, Water-Food-Energy- Biodiversity Nexus Modeling</p>	 <p>Climate and Health</p>	 <p>Innovation Acceleration for Climate Neutrality and Resilience</p>
 <p>Just Transition: Policies, Finance, Labor Market</p>	 <p>Transformative Participatory Approaches: National Living Labs and Systems Innovation</p>	 <p>Education, Training, Upskilling and Reskilling</p>

Climate Data Platforms and Digital Applications



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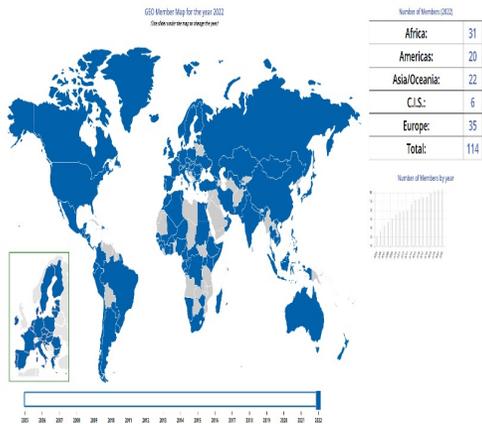


Mission: Collect, Aggregate, Connect and Visualize Data relative to the objectives of the GCH

Geospatial Data



GEO is a partnership of more than 100 national governments and in excess of 100 Participating Organizations that envisions a future where decisions and actions for the benefit of humankind are informed by coordinated, comprehensive and sustained Earth observations.



- Biodiversity and Ecosystem Sustainability
- Disaster Resilience
- Energy and Mineral Resource Management
- Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture
- Public Health Surveillance
- Infrastructure and Transport Management
- Sustainable Urban Development
- Water Resources Management

Socio-Economic and General SDGs-related data



Collaborations



Supporting Projects

A Competitive Intelligent Platform for AI-based

Grant agreement ID: 101004870

Duration: Start date 1 January 2021 - End date 31...

Budget: Total cost € 4 362 935,75 - EU contribution...

13 partners

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Grant agreement ID: 7310

Duration: Start date 1...

Budget: Overall € 1 9...

10 partners

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Building Research environments fostering Innovation, Decision making, Governance and Education to support Blue growth

Grant agreement ID: 675680

Duration: Start date 1 September 2015 End date 28 February 2018

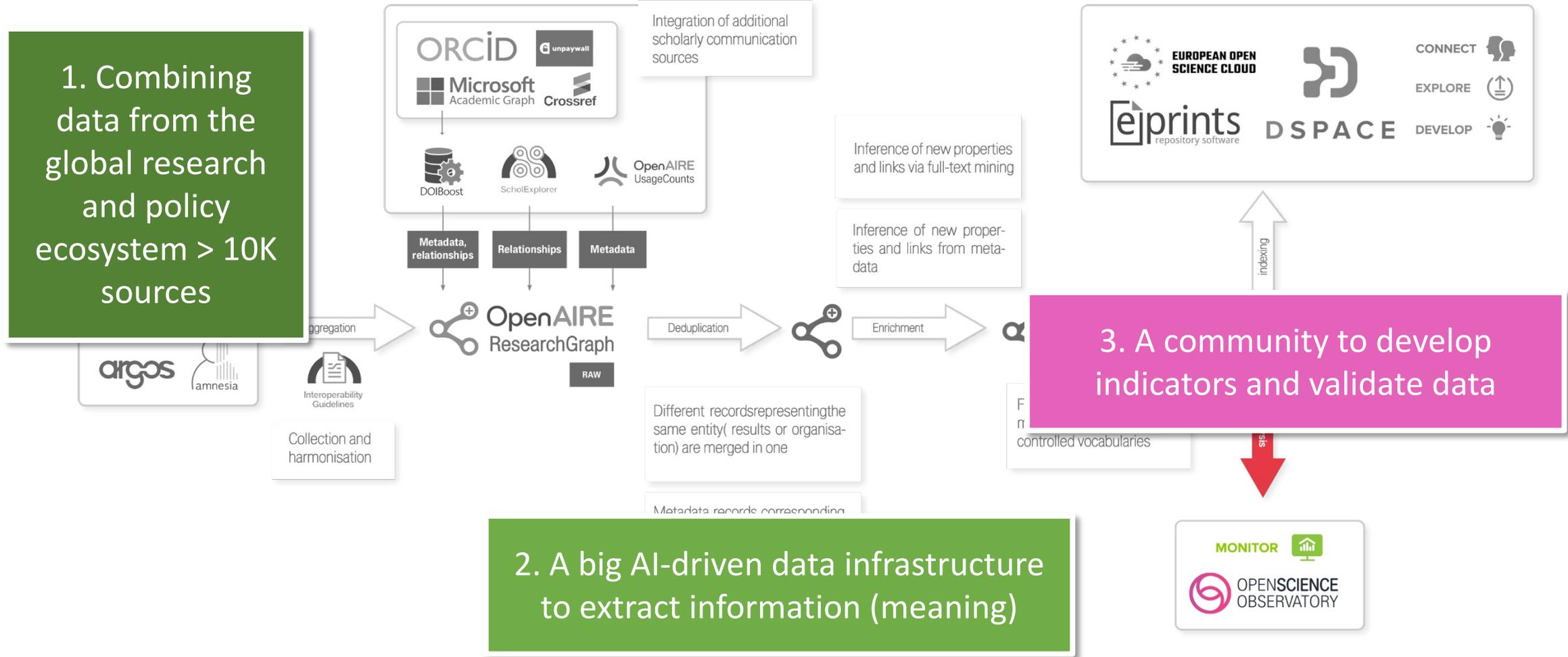
Budget: Overall € 5 295 753,75 EU contribution € 5 295 753,75

13 partners

Coordinated by CONSIGLIO NAZIONALE DELLE RICERCHE, Italy

Funded by European Commission, RIA - Research and Innovation action, H2020-EINFRA-2015-1

HOW? The power of an operational AI-Driven data infrastructure



Atmospheric Physics and Climatology



Head



Team



Mission

Climate model simulations, analyses, and methods combining multiple lines of evidence focused on improving understanding of **human influence on a wider range of climate variables**, including weather and climate extremes – IPCC reports

Study of climate fluctuations in any period

Study of the observations related to the upper layers of the atmosphere

Collation and processing of observations related to air pollution

Supporting projects



Collaborations



Climate & Energy Systems Modeling

Team



Mission

Climate and Energy Systems modelling will use system dynamics and stochastic modelling techniques to develop decarbonization pathways of the energy system at the national and regional levels.

Energy supply: mapping power generation plants along with their associated fuel, including coal, oil, gas, renewables, bioenergy, nuclear and new zero carbon.

Energy demand by economic sector (transport, households, buildings and industry) recorded along with their associated greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

Climate policy, such as carbon pricing, Fit for 55, etc calculate their effect on GHG emissions and temperature

Simulation of the scenarios providing detailed values for all relevant variables, along with the resulting temperature increase.

Model: Balmorel Energy-System model



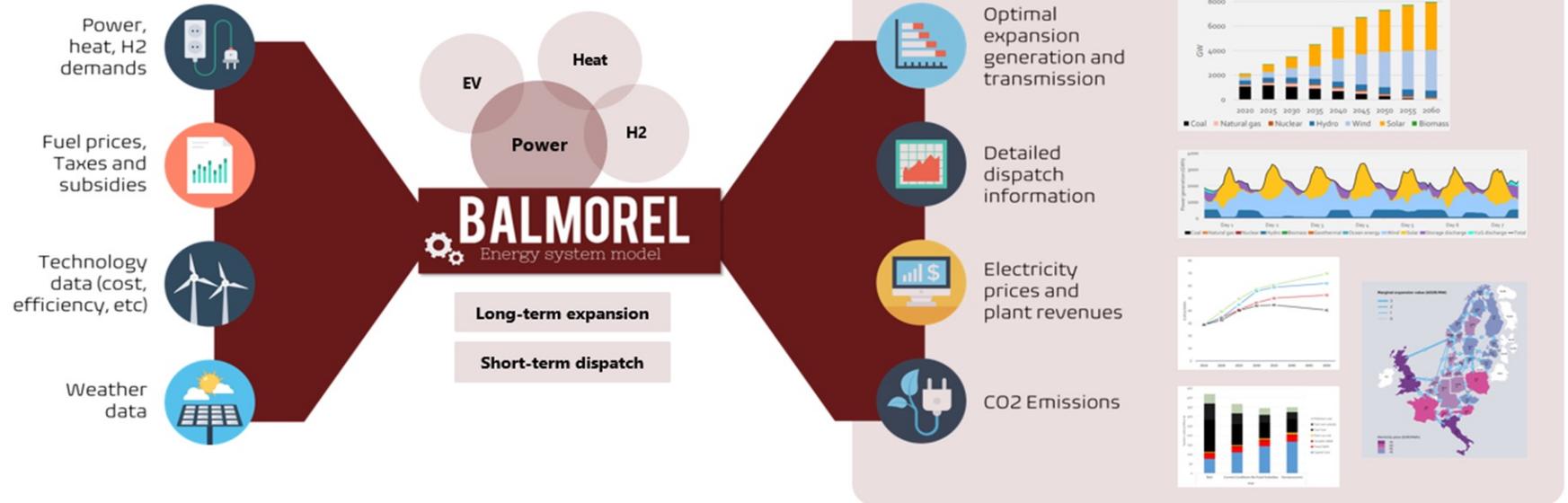
Collaborations



Supporting Projects

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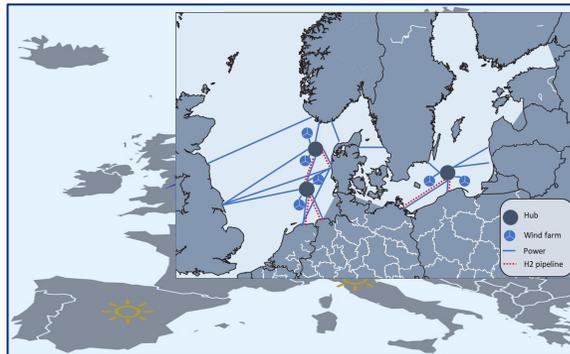
Integrated energy system modelling in Balmorel



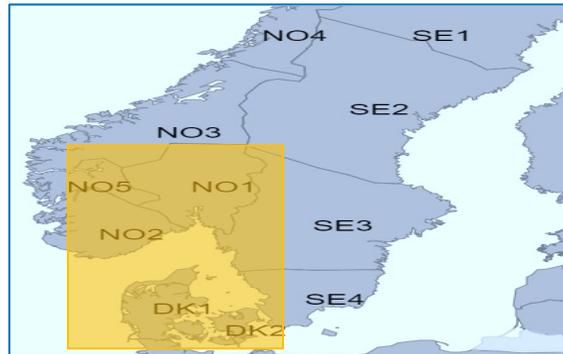
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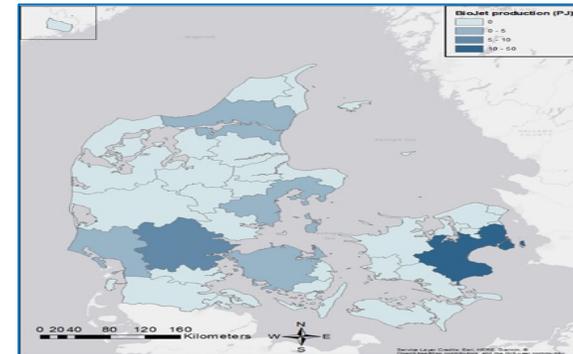
European decarbonization pathways



Regional decarbonization pathways



National decarbonization pathways



Model renewable fuels and Power-to-X (renewable to electricity) production European scale

North European countries

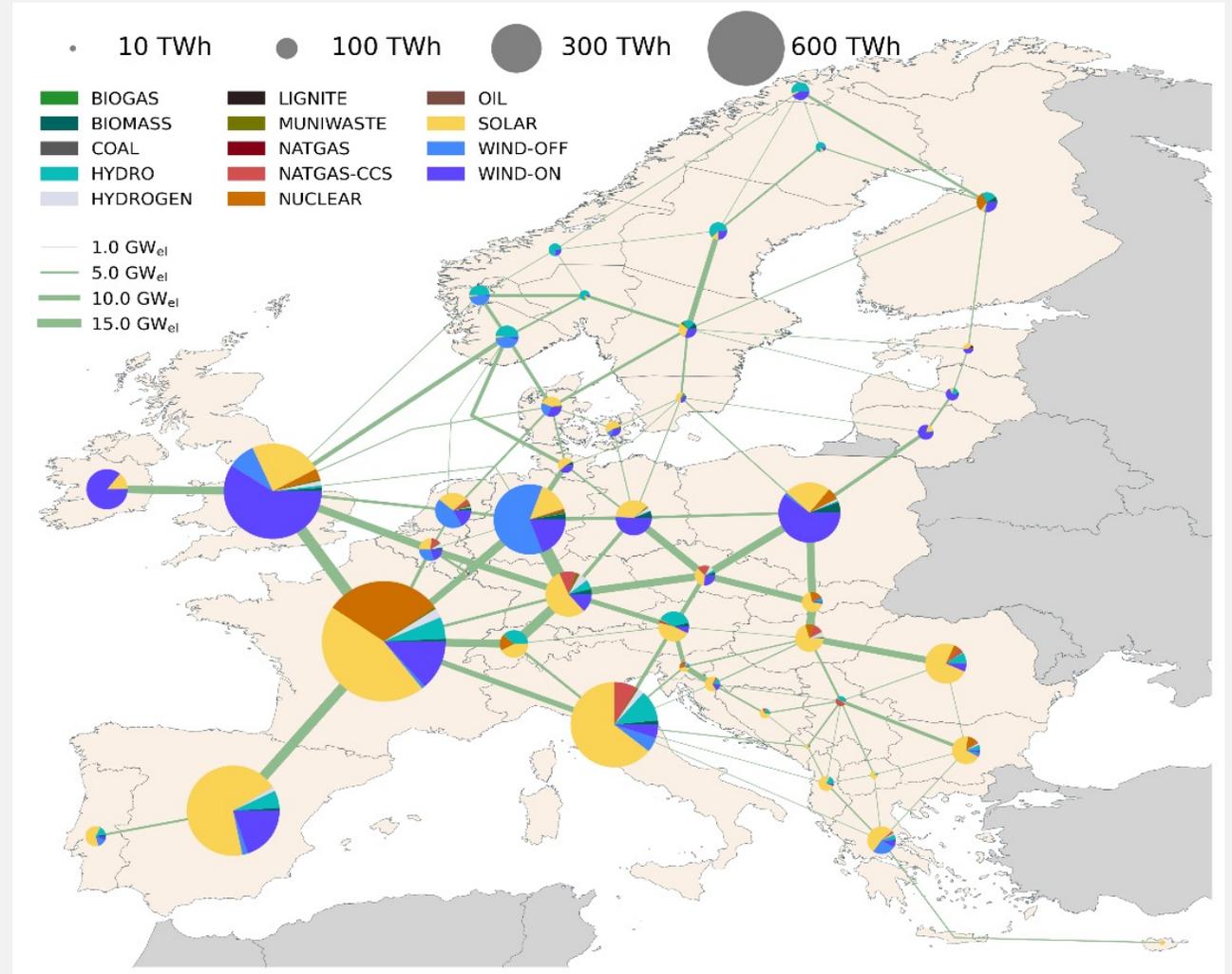
- Large potentials for offshore wind
- District heating
- Cheap onshore wind
- Biomass availability

Central and south European countries

- Cheap solar PV
- Hydrogen industry

Hydrogen infrastructure in the future?
Hydrogen import from other regions?

Energy sources and hydrogen infrastructure, spatial distribution at European level by 2050



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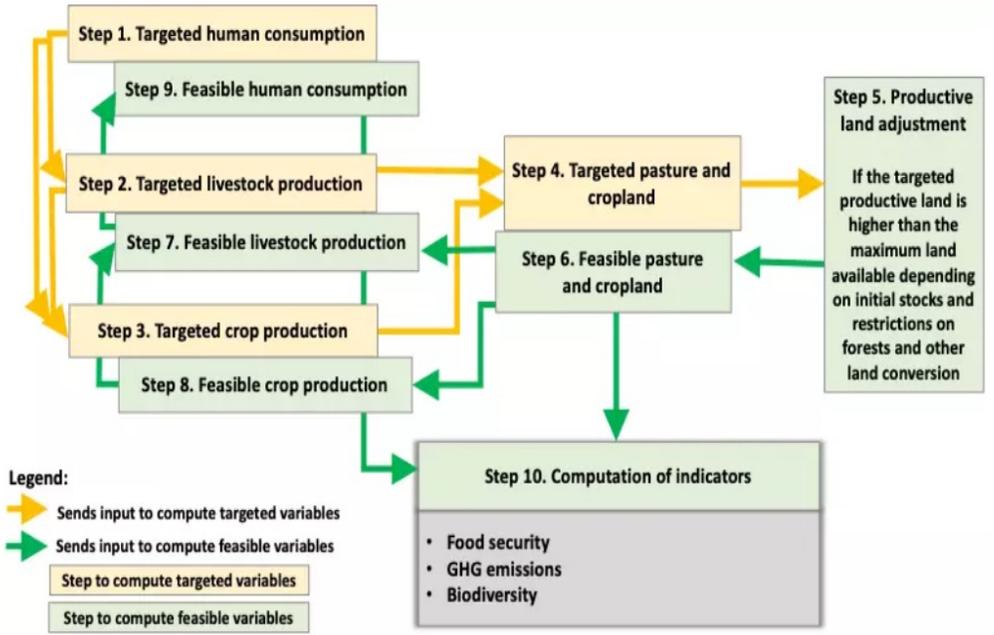




Climate, Land Use, Water-Food-Energy-Biodiversity Nexus Modeling



The **FABLE Calculator** is :
 an accounting tool used to study the potential evolution of food and land-use systems over the period 2000-2050.
 It focuses on agriculture as the main driver of land-use change and tests the impact of different policies and changes in the drivers of these systems through the combination of a large number of scenarios.



Supporting Projects

Land Use Sustainable Pathway: In Need of an IPFSS Report!

> 1 billion Combination of Scenarios → Pathways

- Current Trends
- National Commitments
- Global Targets

Shifting diets, increasing crop and livestock productivity, and limiting agricultural land expansion, are the strongest drivers of positive change in global biodiversity.

Implementing these reforms in multiple countries would help put us on track to achieve global biodiversity, food security and climate mitigation goals by 2050.

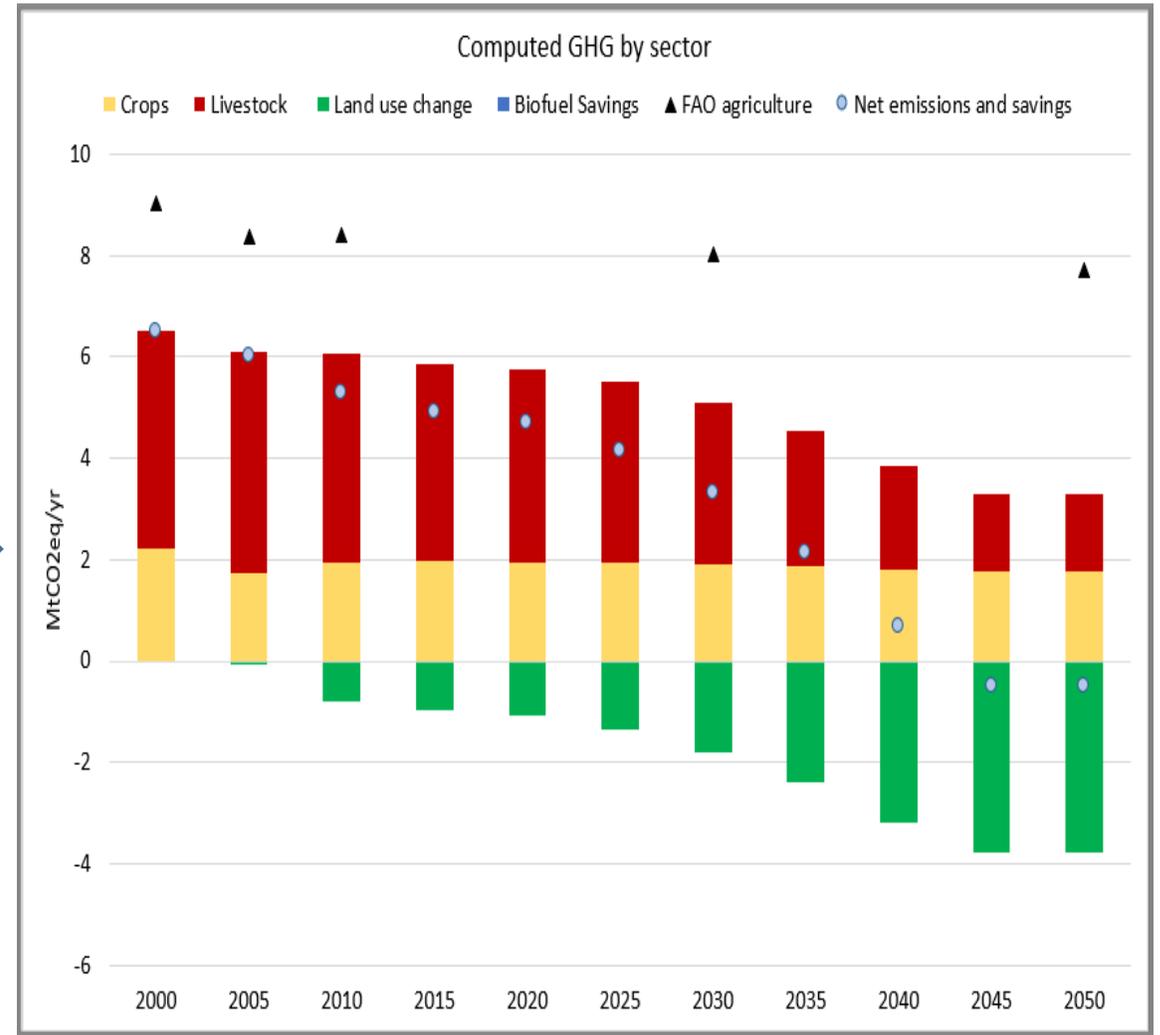
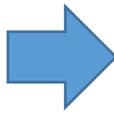
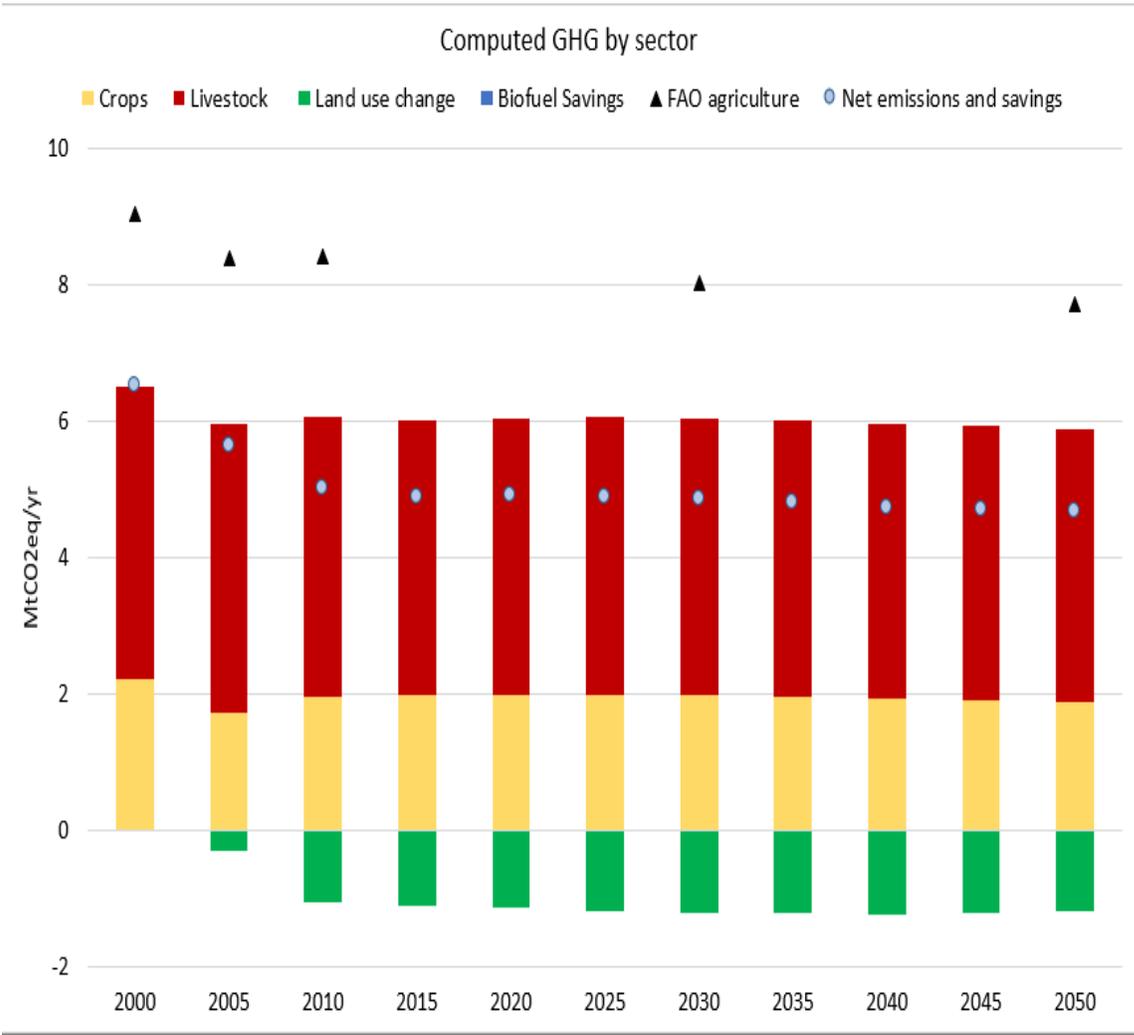
S.1		GDP projections	
SELECTION	GDP_SCEN	DESCRIPTION	GDP variation 2000-2050
X	SSP1	"Sustainability" - Medium high speed of economic growth for most advanced countries and high speed of convergence for other countries.	2.4
	SSP2	"Middle of the Road" - Medium speed of economic growth for most advanced countries and medium speed of convergence for other countries.	2.2
	SSP3	"Fragmentation" - Low speed of economic growth for most advanced countries and low speed of convergence for other countries.	1.1

S.13		Choose the level of activity of the population	
SELECTION	ActivityScen	DESCRIPTION	Value
X	Low	Refers to sedentary lifestyle that includes only the physical activity of independent living.	
	Middle	Moderately active lifestyle that includes physical activity equivalent to walking about 1.5 to 3 miles per day at 3 to 4 miles per hour, in addition to the activities of independent living.	
	High	Active lifestyle that includes physical activity equivalent to walking more than 3 miles per day at 3 to 4 miles per hour, in addition to the activities of independent living.	

S.10		Alternative scenarios on afforestation target	
SELECTION	AFFOR_scen	DESCRIPTION	Value
	NoAffor	No afforestation/reforestation target	Define the afforestation target by 2050 for both scenarios in the green cells of S.10 as AfforTarget
X	BonnChallenge	Afforestation/reforestation target in line with Bonn Challenge commitment	

S.3		Diet	
SELECTION	DIET_SCEN	DESCRIPTION	Value
	SSP1	"Sustainability" - More diets are considered to be more sustainable. First, to reflect the better management of domestic waste in developed countries, current 2020 animal protein demand is reduced in regions and increased in developing ones to reflect diversification of diets, but keeping the consumption of red meat relative low. For developing regions, more nutritious diets also materialize through a reduction of consumption in root and tubers. "Middle of the Road" - These future diets follow the projections from FAO at the horizon 2050.	Countries converge to 3300 kcal/cap/d. If animal conc. > 95 g prot./cap/day, reduction to that level. If anim conc. < 95 g prot./cap/day, increase to that level. Red meat is decreased or capped at 5 g prot./cap/day for all. Root conc. decrease in poor countries to 100 kcal/cap/day and is replaced by other products.
	SSP2	"Middle of the Road" - as economic growth is much lower in developing regions, the income effects are less and there is significantly lower demand per capita in these regions.	
	SSP3	"Fragmentation" - as economic growth is much lower in developing regions, the income effects are less and there is significantly lower demand per capita in these regions.	
	NoChange	same diet as in 2030	
X	EATLancetAverage	EAT-Lancet recommended diet (average values per food group)	
	FatDiet	Diet high in fat, sugar, and meat	
	MyDiet	Describe your scenario here	IF YOU WANT TO DEFINE YOUR OWN DIET SCENARIO, DEFINE THE PARAMETERS FOR LFCAP/DAV, DRC, FOOD REQ. BY 2050, IN THE GREEN CELLS IN S.3.c. DietTarget

Decline in GHG Emissions by 2050 - GREECE



Climate & Health

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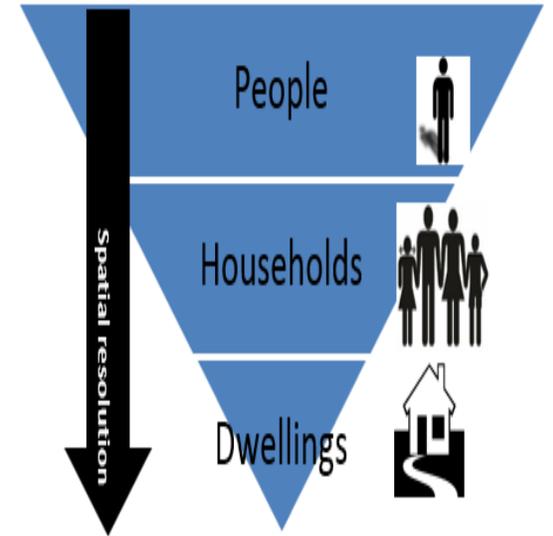
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Mission: Estimate Global economic burden of climate change indicator

Climate change will have a huge impact on population health outcomes wrt morbidity, mortality, and disability for **physical and mental conditions**.

- Identify climate change risk factors for physical and mental conditions of interest (based on the WHO Environmental Burden of Disease Series)
- Estimate the disease burden resulting from a variety of climate change risk factors by region - Attribute economic cost



Supporting Projects

<p>SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME</p> <p>GENESIS G Scientific b for the upd</p> <p>Grant agreement ID</p> <p>Duration: Start</p> <p>Budget: Overall</p> <p>25 partners</p> <p>Coordinated b</p>	<p>COA Collabo Integral</p>	<p>TASK FORCE JO BASED GREEN RECOVERY</p> <p>Co-chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Phoebe Koundou, President Elect of European Association Environmental and Resource Economics • Dr. Samir Samadpour, Founding Director, Bibliotheca Alencaster, Vice President World Bank • Dr. Min Zhu, Deputy Managing Director 	<p>HORIZON 2020</p> <p>ARSINOE Building a low-carbon, climate resilient future: Research and innovation in support of the European Green Deal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using the Systems Innovation Approach (SIA) • Building on the Climate Innovation Window (CIW), the EU reference innovations marketplace for climate adaptation technologies • Aims to build an ecosystem for climate change adaptation solutions. • Pathways to solutions are co-created and co-designed by stakeholders • applies a three-tier, approach: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) using SIA it integrates multi-faceted technological, digital, business, governance and environmental aspects with social innovation for the development of adaptation pathways to climate change for specific regions; (b) it links with CIW to form innovation packages by matching innovators with end-users/regions; (c) it fosters the ecosystem sustainability and growth with cross-fertilization and replication across regions and scales
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Innovation Acceleration for Climate Neutrality and Resilience

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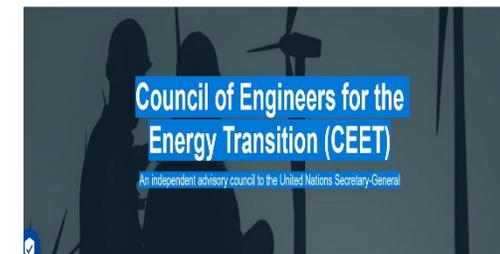
Team



Mission: To meet the EU's 2050 climate neutrality objective, requires **supporting the mass deployment of sustainable innovations – technology, finance, socio-economic, governance.** Incremental innovation, but also disruptive or breakthrough technologies will be needed to accelerate the transition to a green economy and society.

Bring together partners from the business sector, academia, and the public and non-profit sectors to create networks of expertise, through which innovative solutions can be developed, brought to market and scaled-up for impact.

Collaborations



ERASMU+ Holistic e | **CATALYST: European VET Excellence Centre for Leading Sustainable Systems and Business Transformation**

TICHE (Academy): Training

Erasmus KA2 project- Coop

The primary goal of Coop relevance of their activitie capacity to operate jointly through exchanging or dev ideas. They aim to support as well as the impleme exchanges of experience ; and, if possible, have a strong transdisciplinary dimension. Selected projects will be expected to share the results of their activities at local, regional, national level and transnational level.

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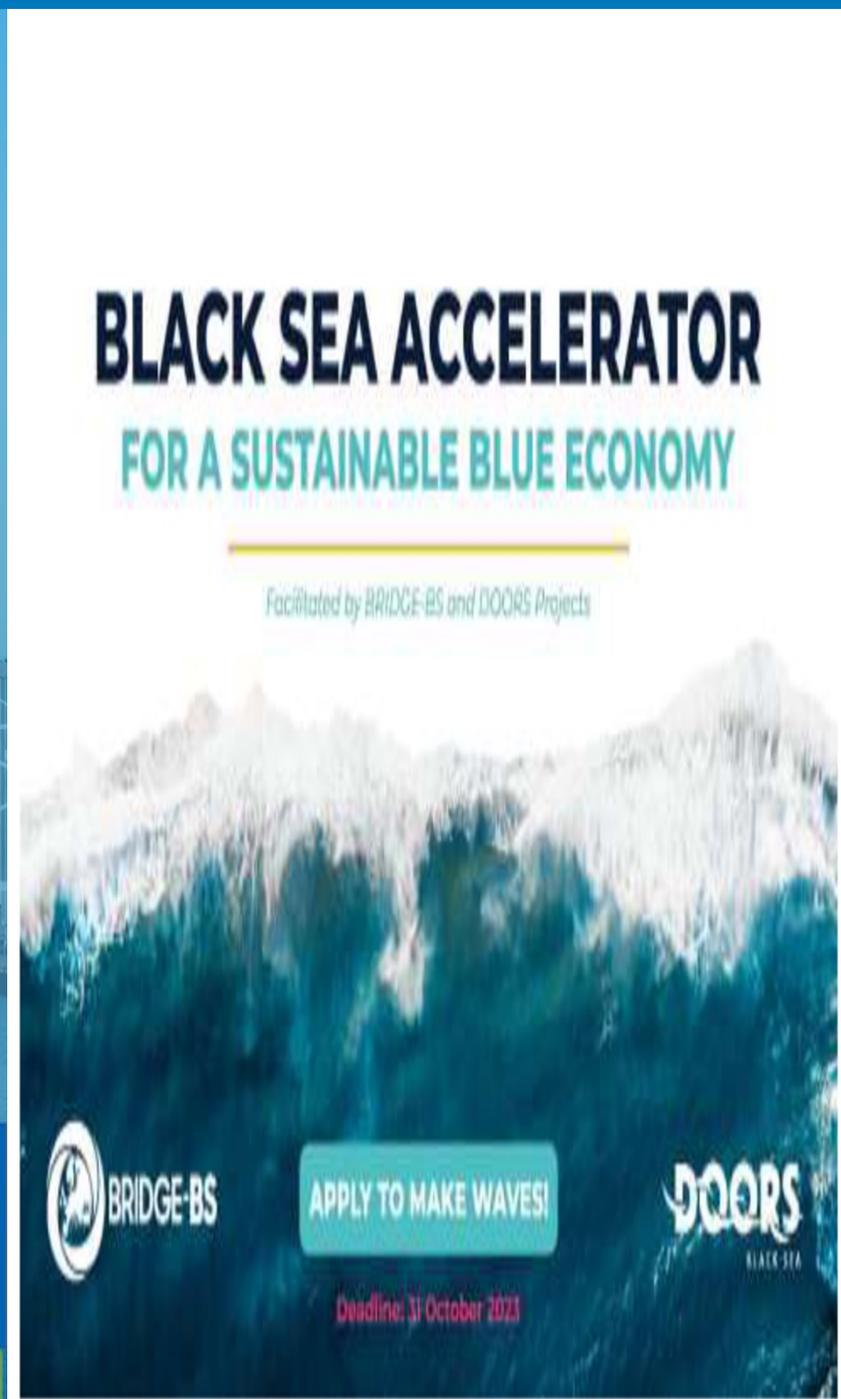


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30 start-ups

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The platform to connect innovators, end-users
and investors

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Bootcamps Workshops
Peer-to-Peer. Mentoring
Funding. Demo Days
Demonstration. Networking

Filters

Find your match

Discover

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Hazards

- Coastal floods (43)
- Droughts (23)
- Frost (12)
- Heatwaves (35)
- Pluvial floods (5)
- River floods (13)
- Sea level rise (22)
- Storms (17)
- Wildfires (9)
- Multi-hazardds (40)

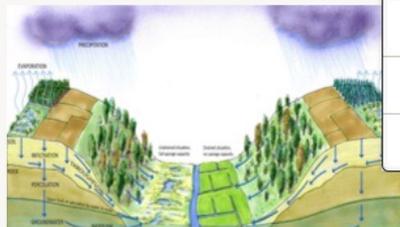
Area

- Agriculture (2)
- Biodiversity (23)
- Buildings (6)
- Coastal areas (5)
- Disaster risk reduction (16)
- Ecosystem-based approaches (2)
- Energy (22)
- Financial (17)
- Forestry (40)
- Health (10)
- Marine and fisheries (23)
- Transport (14)
- Urban areas (29)
- Water management (29)

Solutions

Technology

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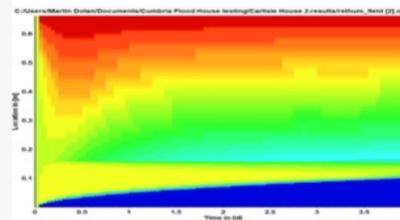
RIVER FLOODS

Water retention through



DROUGHTS

Halophyte Zeolite Wetlands



RIVER FLOODS

SimuRes

Urban Areas, Water safety
Aquobex



RIVER FLOODS

NOAQ Boxwall



DROUGHTS

The Honey Olive Grove

Agriculture
Javier Domínguez (Freelance landscaper)



HEAVY PRECIPITATION

Seed blanket for Extensive



Just Transition: Policies, Finance, Labor Market



THE LANCET COVID-19 COMMISSION Key Sectors for Green Recovery

Energy Sector - shift from fuels-based to minerals-based energy production, storage, and distribution system

Agriculture and Food Sector - directly linked to the environment and the ecosystems

Housing and Urbanization - Urbanization's growth should be managed sustainably

Health Sector - invest COVID-19 recovery packages in strengthening health systems and increase regulation on risk-sources

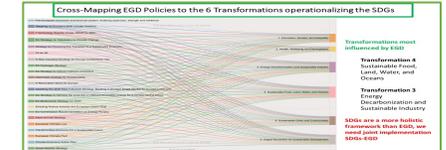
R&D for Geo-engineering - Removing CO2 from the atmosphere, blocking the sun, etc.



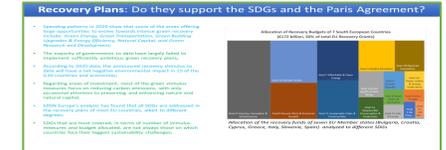
Machine Learning Textual Analysis
Does the EGD support the implementation of the SDGs?



Which of the 6 Sustainable Development Transformations are supported by the EGD?



Are the European Recovery and Resilient Plans SDGs-compatible?



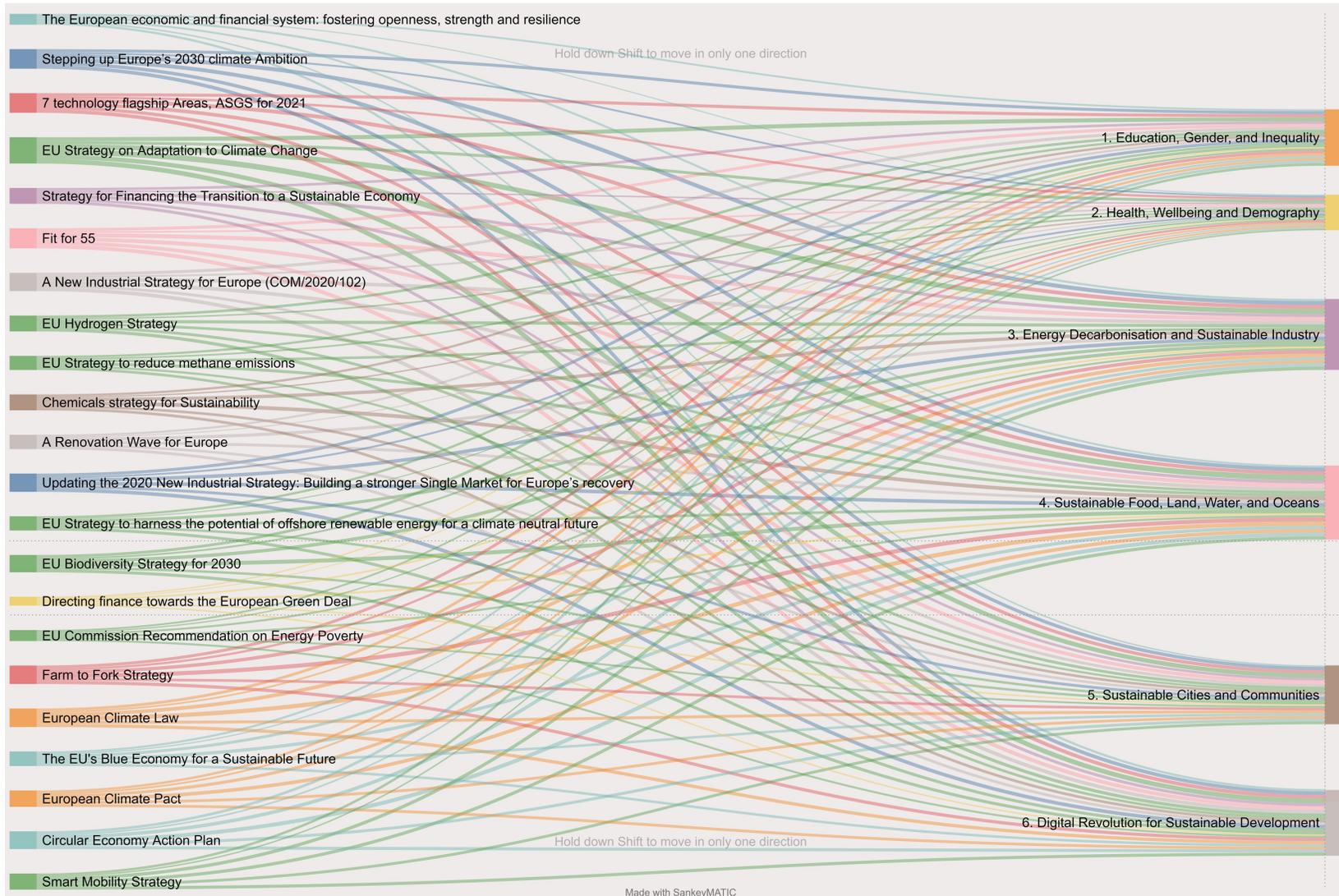
Does the European Semester Process facilitate the implementation of the SDGs?

Sustainable Finance: Valuing Natural and Cultural Capital

Fiscal Innovation: What are the distributional effects of Key EU climate policies?

Sustainable Private Sector

Deep Neural Networks ML Approach: Cross-Mapping EGD Policies to the 6 Transformations that operationalize the SDGs



Transformations most influenced by EGD

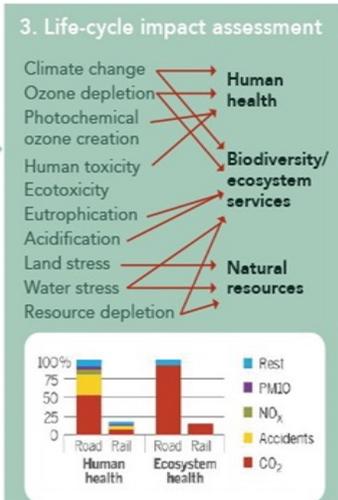
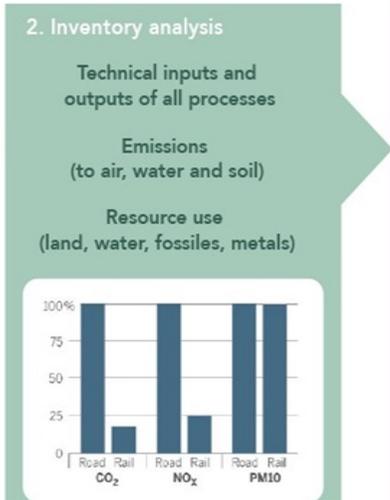
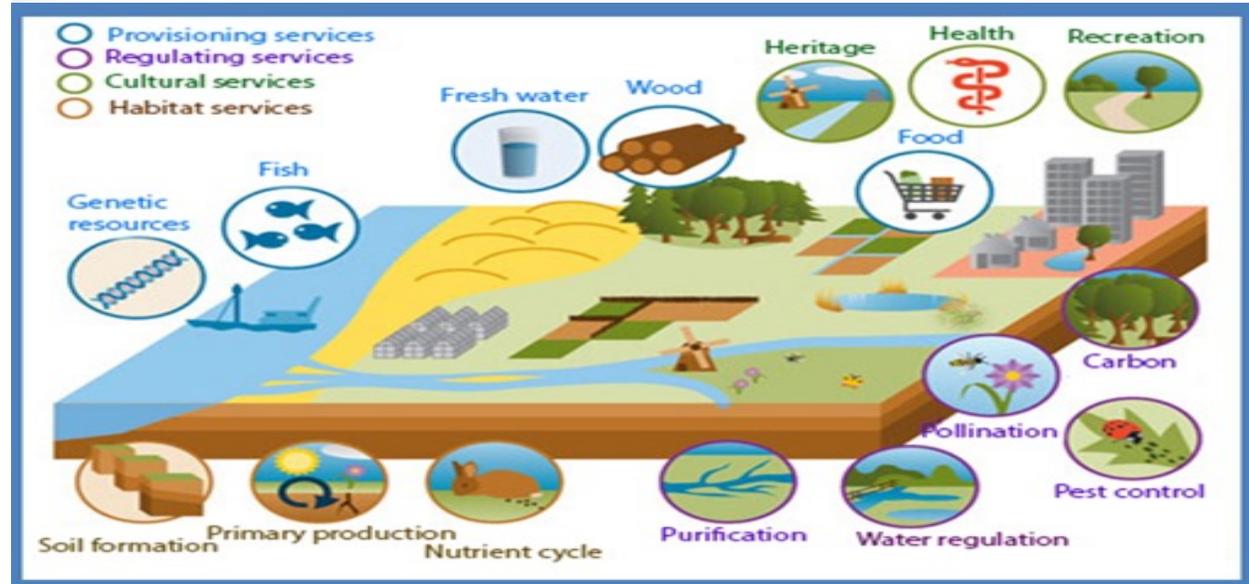
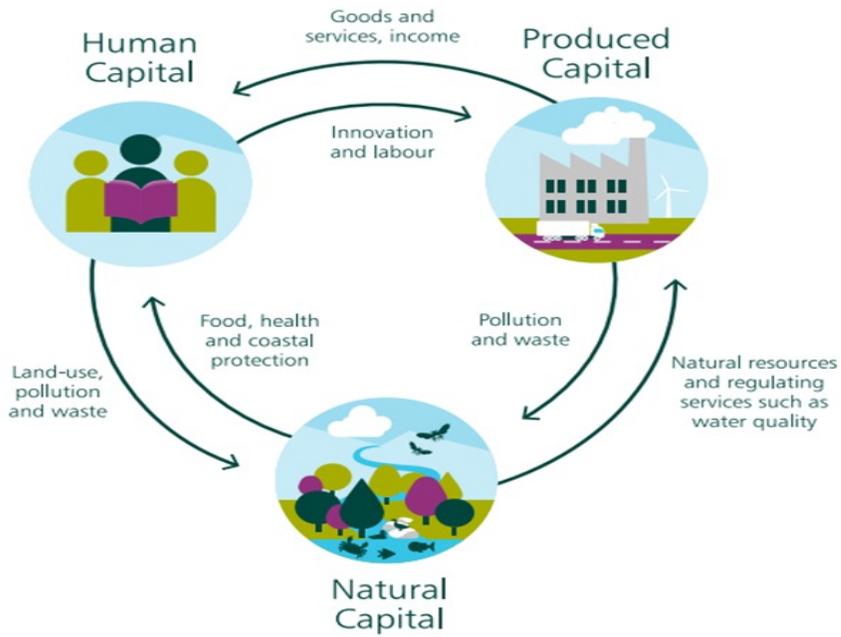
Transformation 4
Sustainable Food,
Land, Water, and
Oceans

Transformation 3
Energy
Decarbonization and
Sustainable Industry

**SDGs are a more holistic
framework than EGD, we
need joint implementation
SDGs-EGD**



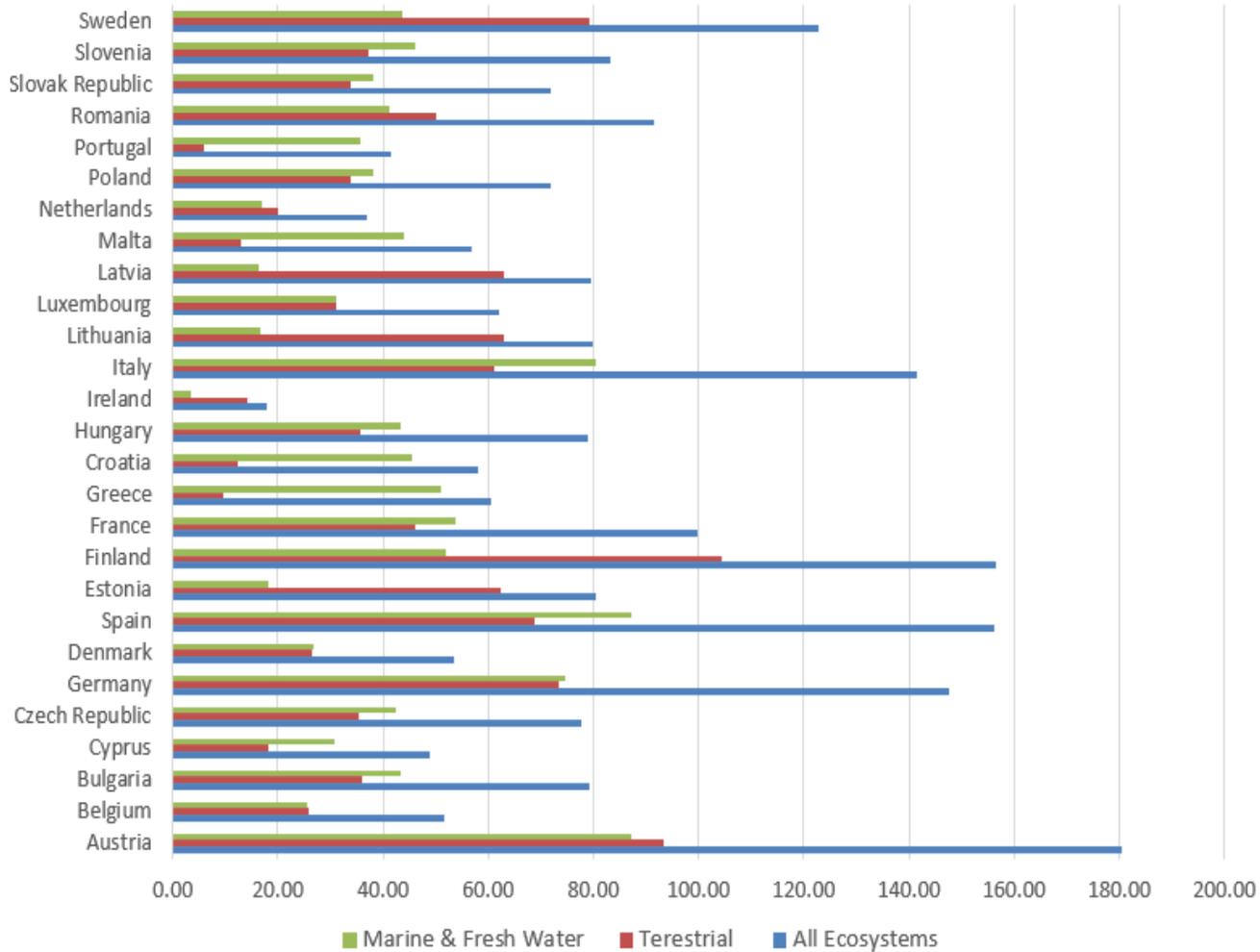
Integrating Natural Capital in the Sustainable Finance Framework



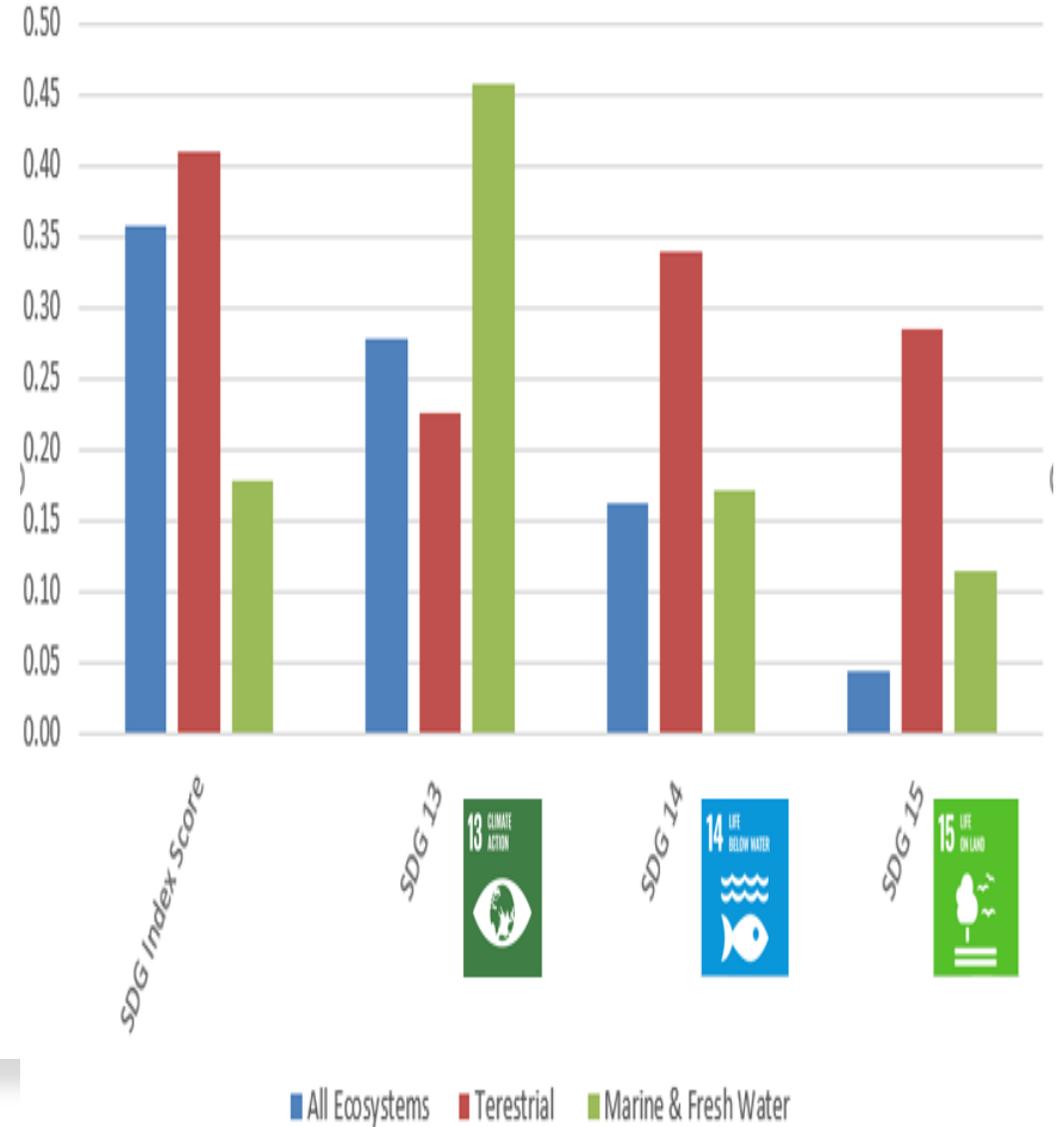
TOTAL ECONOMIC VALUE (TEV)			
TEV			
USE VALUE		NON-USE VALUE	
TEV CATEGORIES	Direct use value consumptive, nonconsumptive	Indirect use value	Option value bequest value, quasi-option value
COMMONLY USED VALUATION METHODS	Change in productivity, cost-based approaches, hedonic prices, travel cost, contingent valuation	Change in productivity, cost-based approaches, contingent valuation	Existence value Contingent valuation Experiments based on Virtual Reality

Open-Access, AI-based PLATFORM for Ecosystem and Cultural Services Valuation

Marginal WTP by Ecosystem and Country



Correlation of Country SDG Index Score and Ecosystem MWTP by SDG



FISCAL INNOVATION

Distributional effects of key EU climate policies until 2050: Identifying measures to Mitigate Regressive Effects

Considering their simplicity, effectiveness, and deployability into EU, four key mitigating policy options were selected



Redistributing revenues through lump-sum transfers on per-head basis or lowering VAT / taxes on electricity to the general public



Implementation of targeted energy efficiency measures with no upfront costs, specifically targeting low-income households



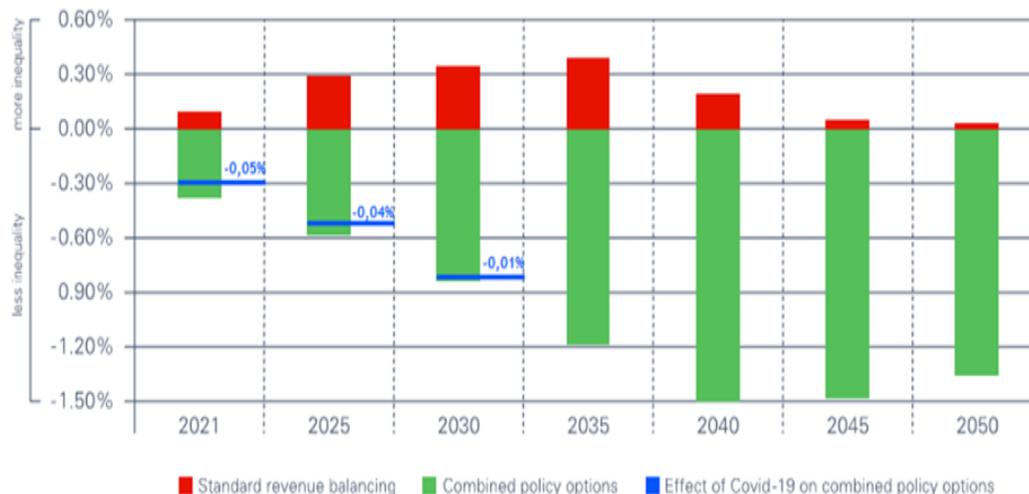
Long-term job retraining programmes to avoid unemployment in affected industries



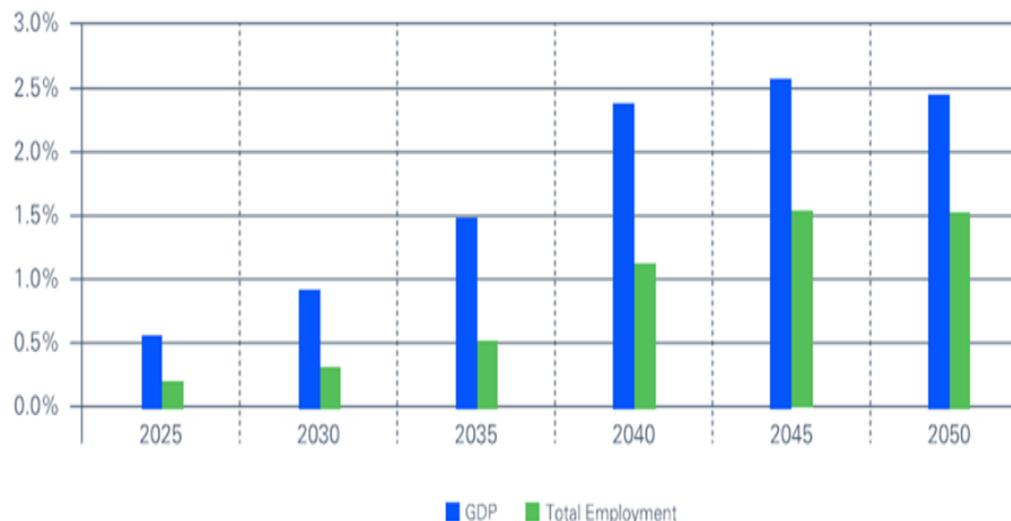
Funding of subsidies for new low-carbon technologies via general taxation or using carbon revenues to avoid uneven bearing of the costs

Detailed macroeconomic modelling based on the standard E3ME model baseline with an assessment of the existing policy best practices to explore the patterns of inequality in Europe (EU27 and the UK).

Combined mitigation policy options can ensure more equality, increase GDP and employment... SDSN, EGD SWG report, 2022



Mitigating the negative social impacts of climate policies is essential to ensure a broad support for the energy transition.



Regressive effects can be fully offset with targeted policies.



The SDG Stimulus puts forward three areas for immediate action:



**United
Nations**



The global economy is facing multiple shocks that are threatening to further reverse progress on the SDGs: COVID-19 pandemic, war in Ukraine, high inflation and weak economic growth, tightening monetary and financial conditions, and unsustainable debt burdens, escalating climate emergency

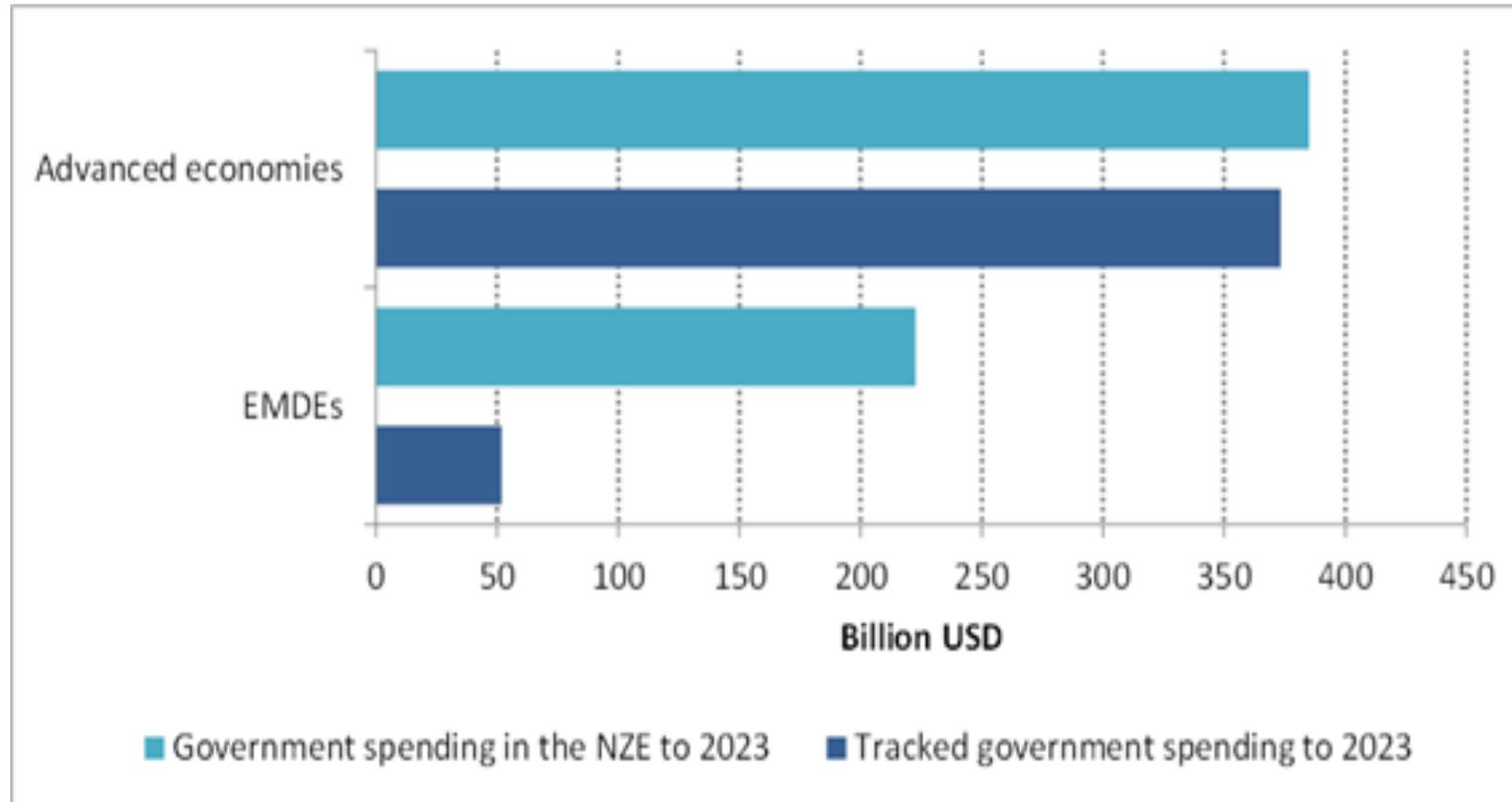
The impact of these shocks on developing countries is aggravated by an unfair global financial system that is short-term oriented and crisis-prone, and that further exacerbates inequalities.

UN SDGs Stimulus for Agenda 2030

Reform of the Global Financial Architecture, The Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences

- 1 Tackle the high cost of debt and rising risks of debt distress, by converting short-term high interest borrowing into long-term (more than 30 year) debt at lower interest rates.
- 2 Massively scale up affordable long-term financing for development, especially through public development banks (PDBs), multilateral development banks (MDBs), and by aligning all financing flows with the SDGs.

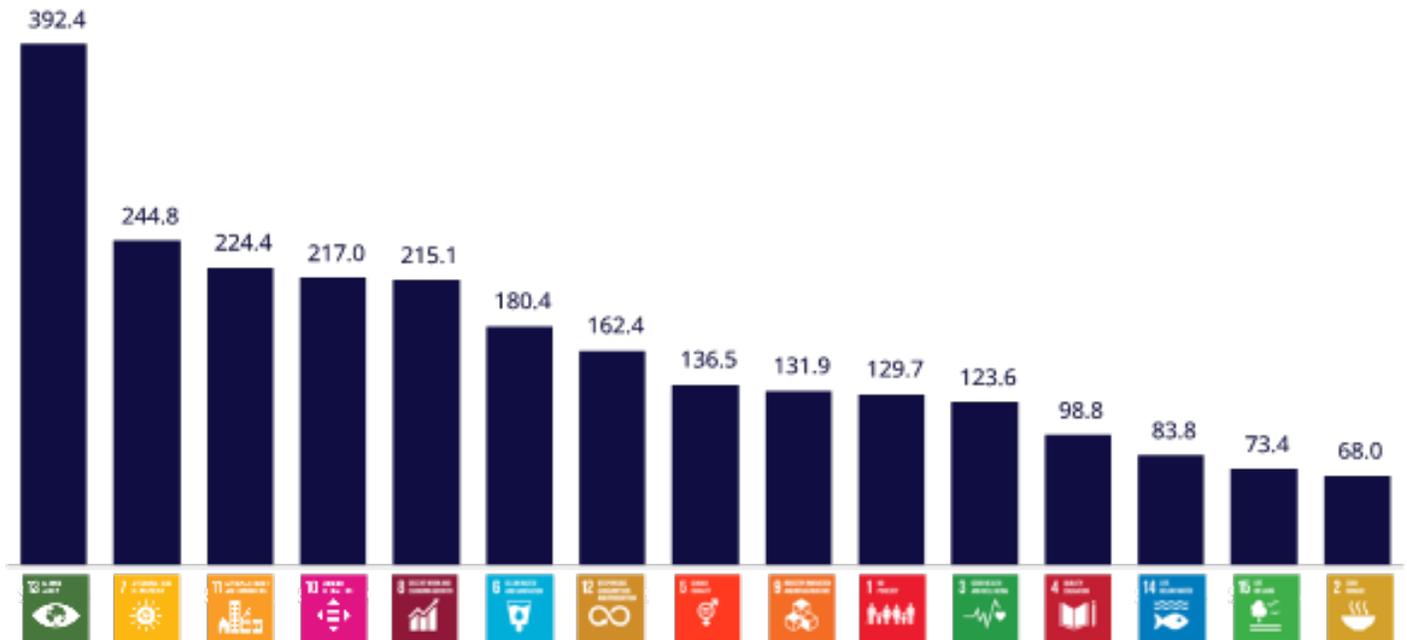
Advanced economies are nearing levels needed to shift trajectories toward net-zero.
Emerging & developing economies only at 20% of the levels
& face narrowing fiscal options



The Role of the Private Sector

- Private sector controls significant part of world's liquid assets: \$275 trillion
- Importance of financial investments and strategic investment by private corporations
- Finance industry increased SDG aligned financing by 20% in 2021

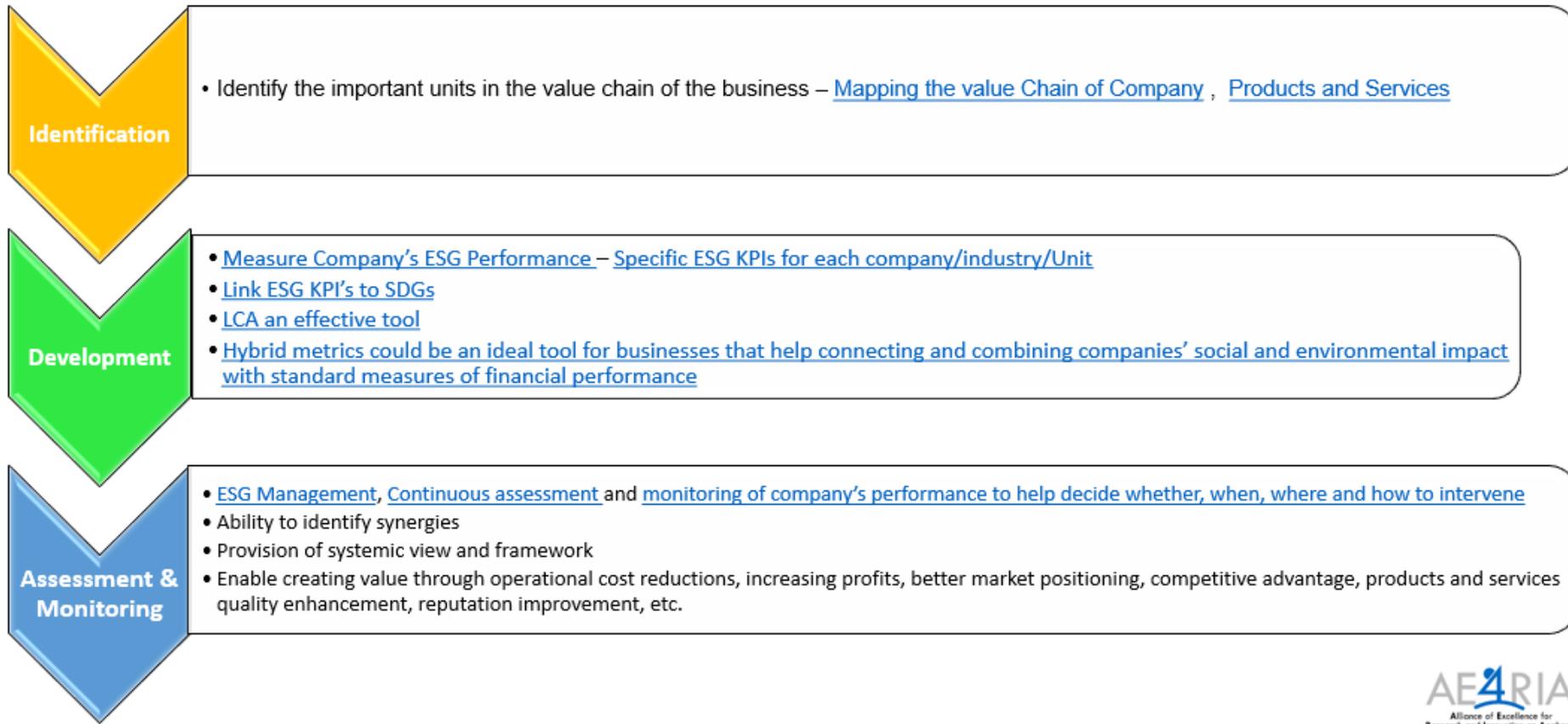
Annual SDG Financing Mobilised by Finance Industry Leaders (In US\$bn)



Source: Capital as a Force for Good Initiative

SDG Footprint – Companies

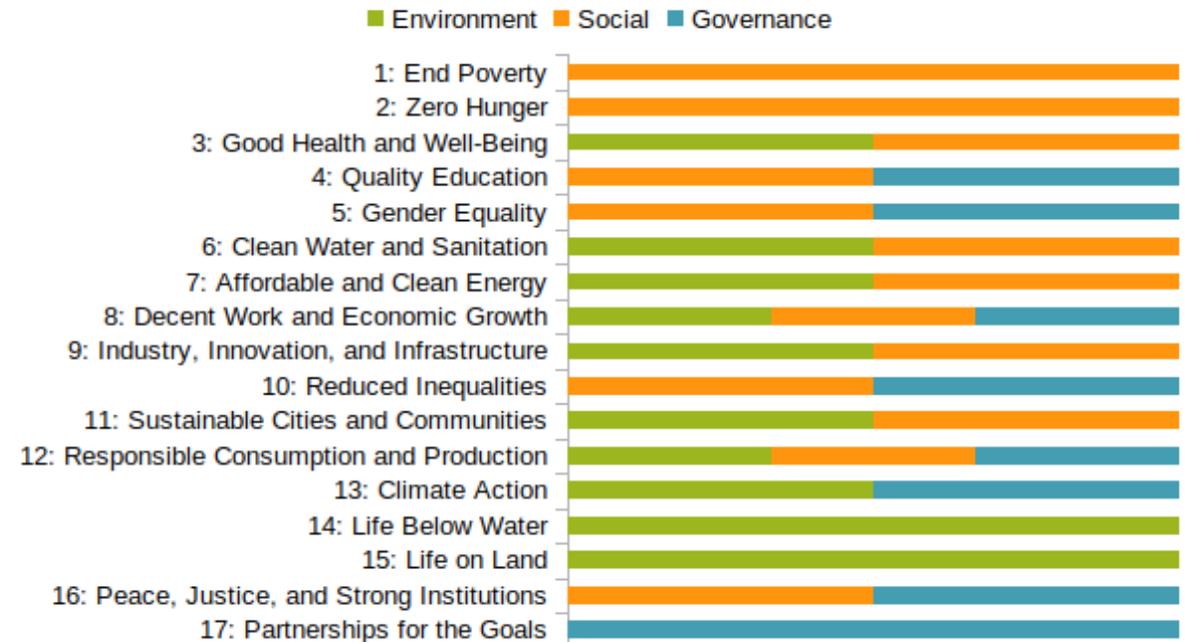
A Holistic Three-Step approach is necessary for Companies to create value and move beyond compliance-based codes



Corporate Sustainability Reporting: Mapping ESG to SDG Goals and Targets



- **ESG KPIs** are mapped to SDGs Indexes.
- **Experts Classification & Machine/Deep learning** approaches to map ESG KPIs to the 232 Indicators of 17 SDGs.
- **Targets** are set for SDG Indicators following the common **UN SDSN** methodology.

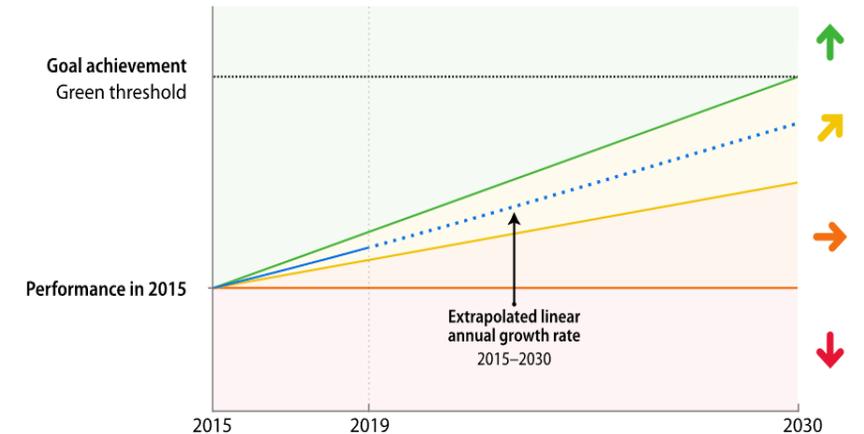


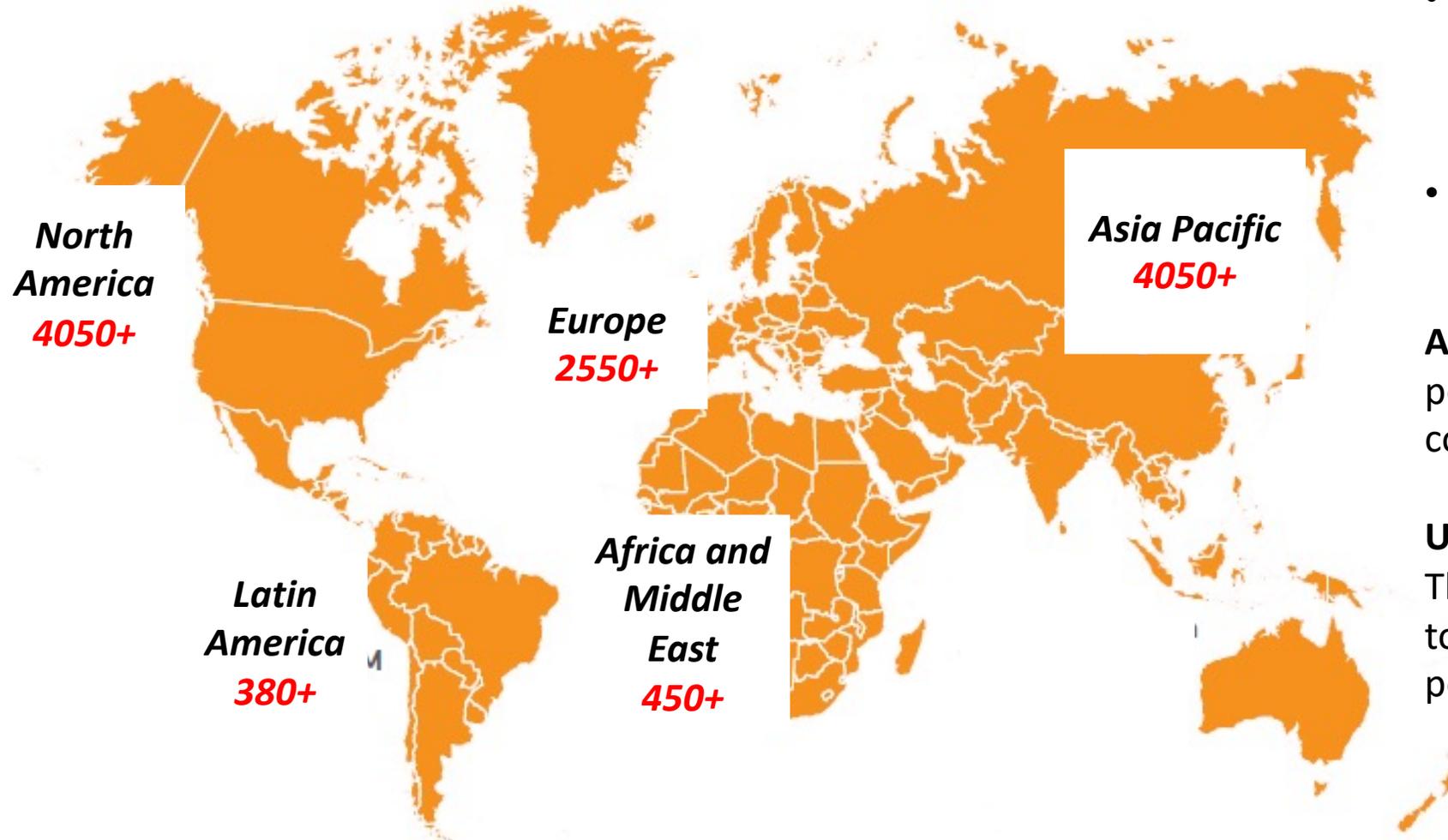
SDG Footprint Dashboard By Company/ Unit



Dashboards: ● SDG achieved ● Challenges remain ● Significant challenges remain ● Major challenges

- Calculate Scores at any Level (Transformations/ ESGs / SDGs).
- Calculate the Company's **SDG Footprint** at a company/Unit/Product level.
- Calculate **SDG Trends/ Pathways** to 2030/2050.





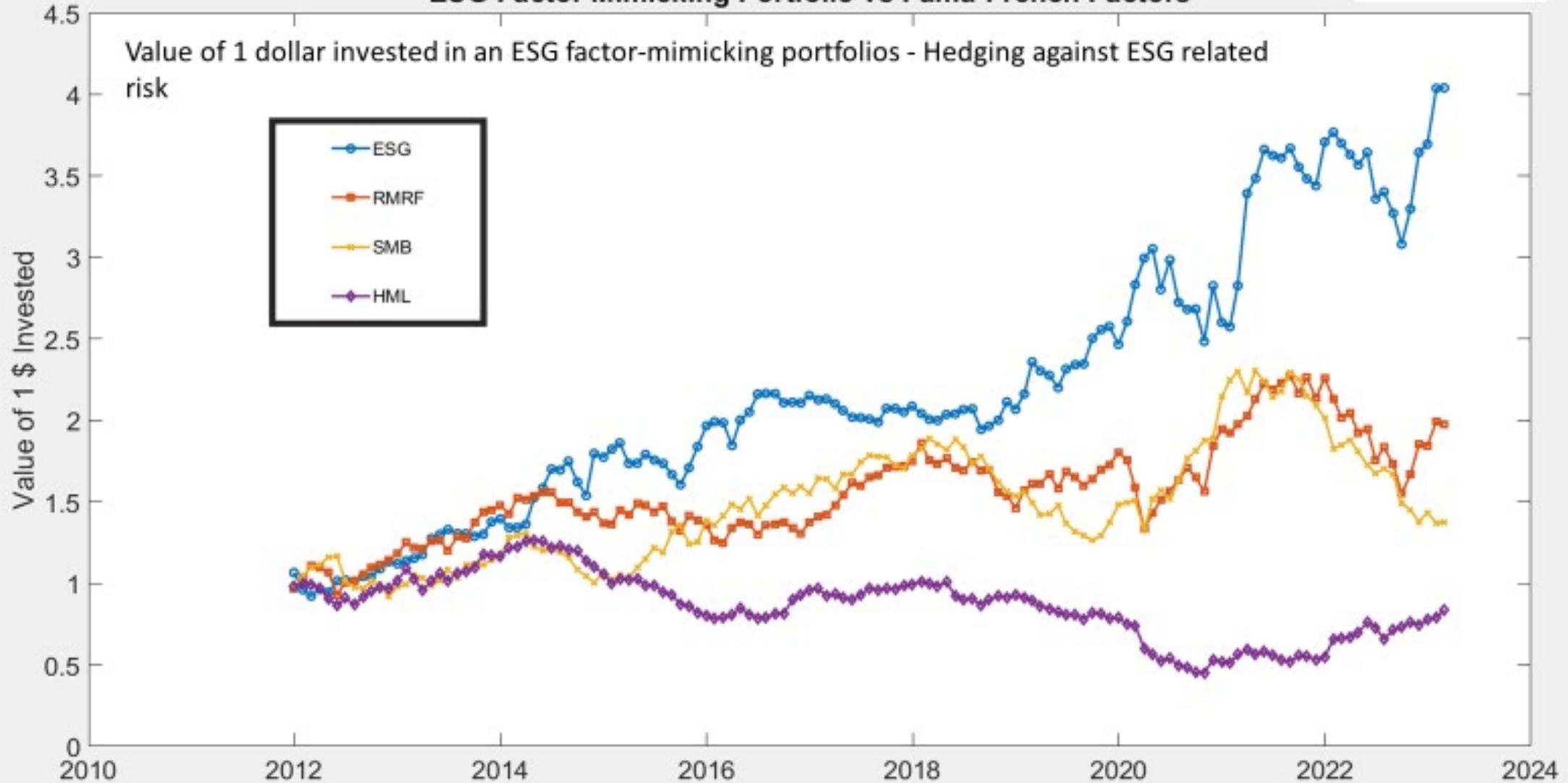
- 11.400+ Companies In International Markets (**99% Of Global Market Capitalization**).
- > 600 ESG KPIs (reported by Thompsons Rauters)

AIM: Calculate ESG/SDG holistic performance indicator per company

USING: Arbitrage Asset Pricing Theory extend Fama & French to create ESG/SDG mimicking portofolios

AE4RIA's ESG Pricing Factors

ESG Factor Mimicking Portfolio vs Fama-French Factors



Transformative Participatory Approaches: National Living Labs and Systems Innovation



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Models can provide the evidence, but people must make the decisions...

Our transformative and participatory approaches seek to bridge the gap between science, policy and society, by supporting key actors to utilize model outputs to make sustainable decisions.

Supporting Projects



SUSTAINIS: Sustainable islands: conditions, objectives, and actions

Grant agreement ID: EVK1-CT-2002-600

Duration: Start date 1 February 2020

Budget: Overall € 120 054 EU contribution

Coordinated by WESTFAELIS

System Mapping as a Strategic Tool

It seeks to

- activate communities spread across the recovery phase,
- set system mapping as a strategic tool to provide new indicators and understand dependencies and opportunities
- support local authorities in the needed planning challenges.

Countries: Bulgaria, Serbia, Greece, Italy, Spain

Implementation period: 2020

Budget: € 284,000

Find more at: <https://www.erasmus.eu/en/sustainis>

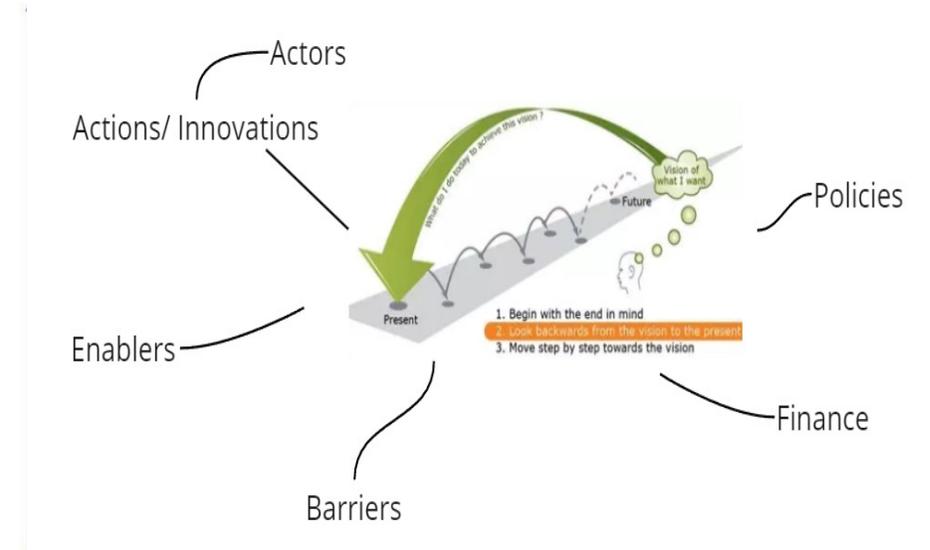
Erasmus + | CATALYST: European VET Excellence Centre for Leading Sustainable Systems and Business Transformation

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Methodologies

- Transformative Living Labs
- System Innovation and Transition Management
- Innovation Pathways
- Foresight methods such as Backcasting
- key actions and policy recommendations
- Living Lab Modeler Tool



Education, Training, Upskilling and Reskilling



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Mission

To support the green and digital transition by educating and training people, building skills ecosystems, which will also be aligned with national, regional, local and sectoral green strategies. The educational programs will be delivered under six themes corresponding to the Six SDG Transformations namely:

Collaborations



Supporting Projects

<p>SDGs measu</p> <p>SDSN Greece in collaboration with the University of Economics and Business Education, Research, Infrastructure and Innovation</p> <p>The Study will compile the results of the projects which will participate in the project which is coordinated by SDSN Greece.</p> <p>The report is expected to be completed by the end of 2022.</p> <p>Duration: Start date: 10 May 2022</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> an awareness-intention intervention fostering problem-owner (firms, investors, citizens regulators, universities, etc.) to a deeper understanding in the circular thinking. testing on a defined group of entrepreneurs a multi-site virtual experiment <p>Countries: Italy, Greece, Bulgaria Implementation period: 2015-2022 Find more at: https://www.erasmus-plus.eu/en/activities/2015-2022/10101516171819202122</p>			<p>Climate Single</p> <p>BLEU Climate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CO2 emissions reductions plastic marine littering in European waters through innovation addressing the issue at the life cycle, on the prevention of production of plastic materials deliver a roadmap for plastic European seas for the next 10 years <p>Countries: Portugal, Greece, Croatia Implementation period: 2019 Find more at: https://www.athenarc.eu/en/activities/2019/10101516171819202122</p>	<p>ERASMUS+ TICHE Academy: Training Innovation for Circularity and Holistic economies</p> <p>TICHE (Academy): Training Innovation for Circularity and Holistic economies</p> <p>Erasmus KA2 project: Cooperation Partnership for Innovation in VET</p> <p>The primary goal of Cooperation Partnerships is to allow organizations to increase the quality and relevance of their activities, to develop and reinforce their networks of partners, to increase their capacity to operate jointly at transnational level, boosting internationalization of their activities through exchanging or developing new practices and methods as well as sharing and coordinating ideas. They aim to support the development, transfer and/or implementation of innovative practices as well as the implementation of joint initiatives promoting cooperation, peer learning and exchanges of experience at European level. Results should be re-usable, transferable, up-scalable, and, if possible, have a strong transdisciplinary dimension. Selected projects will be expected to share the results of their activities at local, regional, national level and transnational level.</p>	<p>Evaluation Study on the implementation of Cross Cutting Issues in Horizon 2020</p> <p>Tender: DG RTD</p> <p>Duration: 10 months (November 2021 – August 2022)</p> <p>Budget: 249.850euro</p> <p>Prof. Phoebe Koundouri, ATHENA RC is a senior expert in Sustainable Development, Climate Change and Biodiversity Case Study.</p> <p>Xaris Papageorgiou, ATHENA RC is a senior expert in Social Sciences and Humanities and Interdisciplinarity Case Studies.</p> <p>Dr. Conrad Landis, Senior Researcher, Adjunct Lecturer, AUEB</p>
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The State of Knowledge about Climate Change

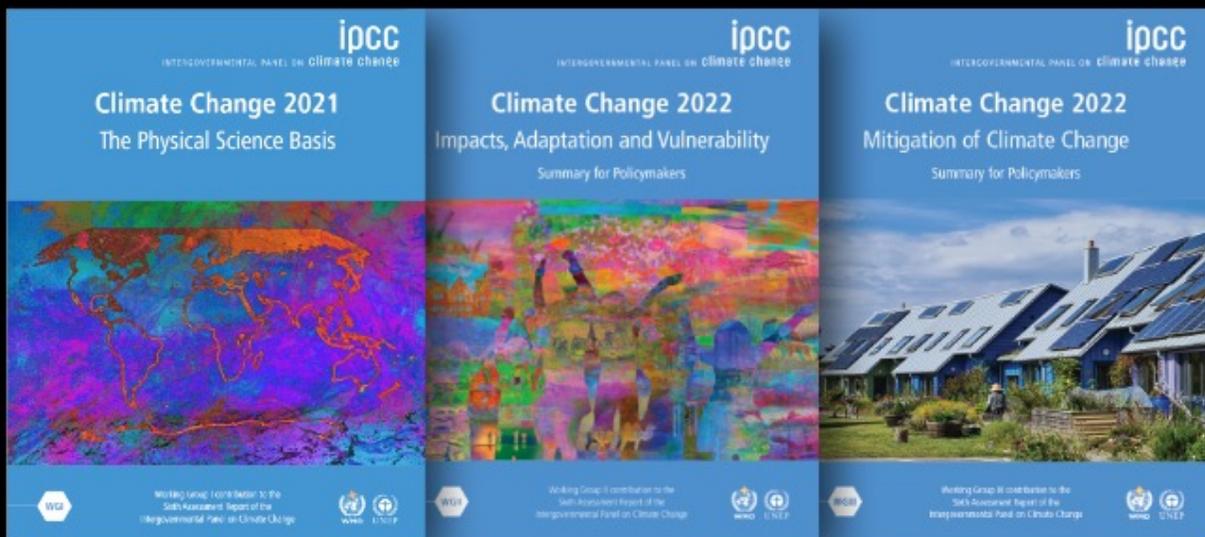
Explore avenues of collaboration in the run-up to COP 28, towards developing the socio-economic narrative towards climate neutrality.

WG I

WG II

WG III

Special Report



AR6 Climate Change 2021: The Physical Science Basis

Climate Change 2022: Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability

Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change

Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate

Climate Change and Land

Global Warming of 1.5 °C

1. Which **stakeholder group** are you from?

- **1 Business organisation**
- **4 Civil society or non-governmental organization**
- **1 EU institution**
- **1 Regional or local organisation**
- **2 Research organisations**

2. On a scale from 1 (not actively) to 10 (very actively), **how involved** is your organisation on the topic of skills and vocational training?

7.1 (mean)



3. Is your organisation involved in **specific activities or projects** aimed at improving green skills, e.g. by mapping and defining green skill shortages?

- **Course on ethics in chemistry covering sustainability**
- **Building trainings for rural entrepreneurs**
- **Green and digital transitions, 'green marketing' campaigns, green transition impacts**
- **Research on social impacts**
- **EGD scenarios, green foresight in sectors, green skills identification via online job ads**
- **Sustainability education programmes for students at upper secondary and university**
- **Mapping and defining green skills**
- **Competent people and their high-quality skills**

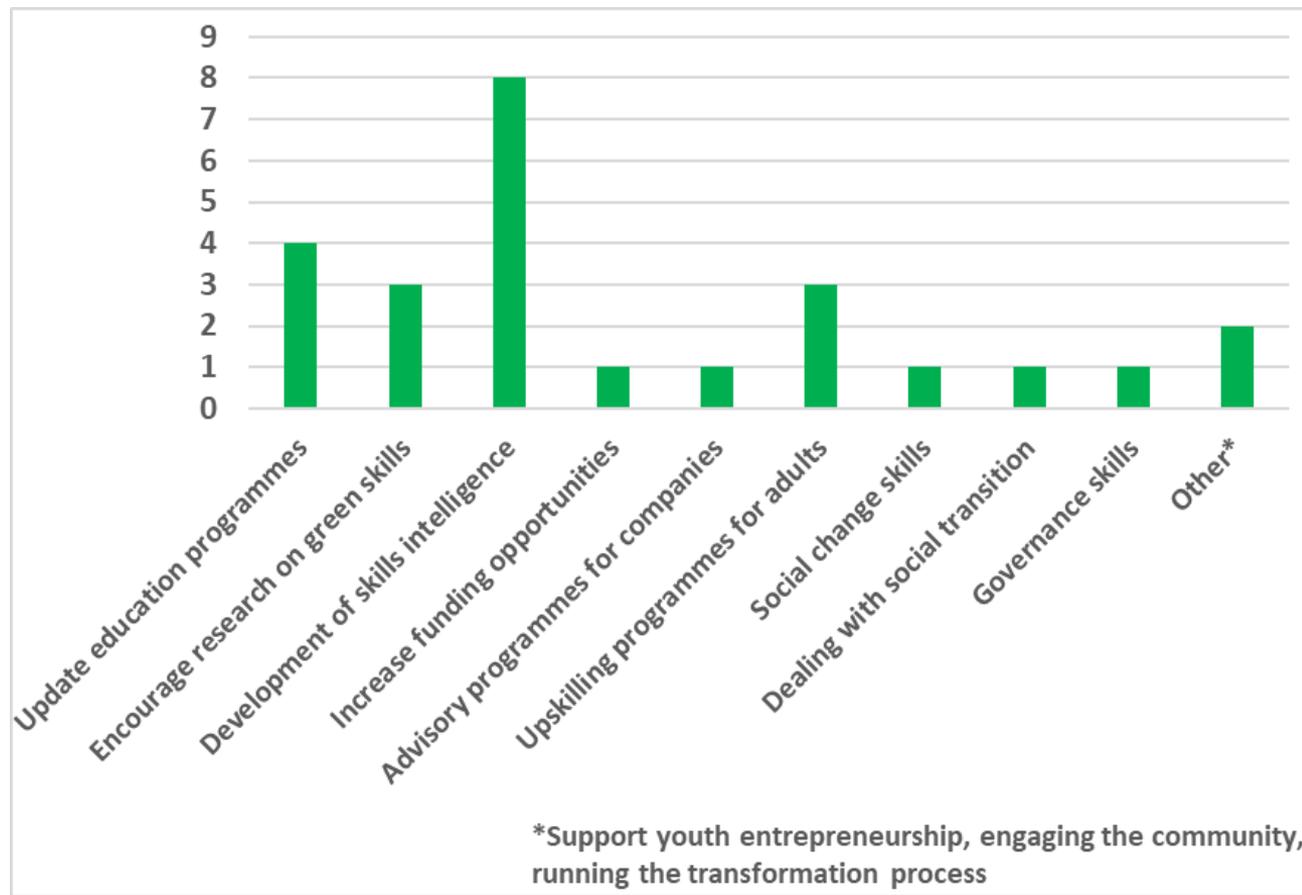


4. On a scale from 1 (not important) to 10 (very important), **how important are**, in your view, **green education and skills** as an enabler to tackle the triple planetary crisis – **climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution** – with a view to steer the transition towards an increasingly cleaner and fairer circular economy?

8.6 (mean)



5. How could your organisation best support the acceleration towards greener skills and jobs?

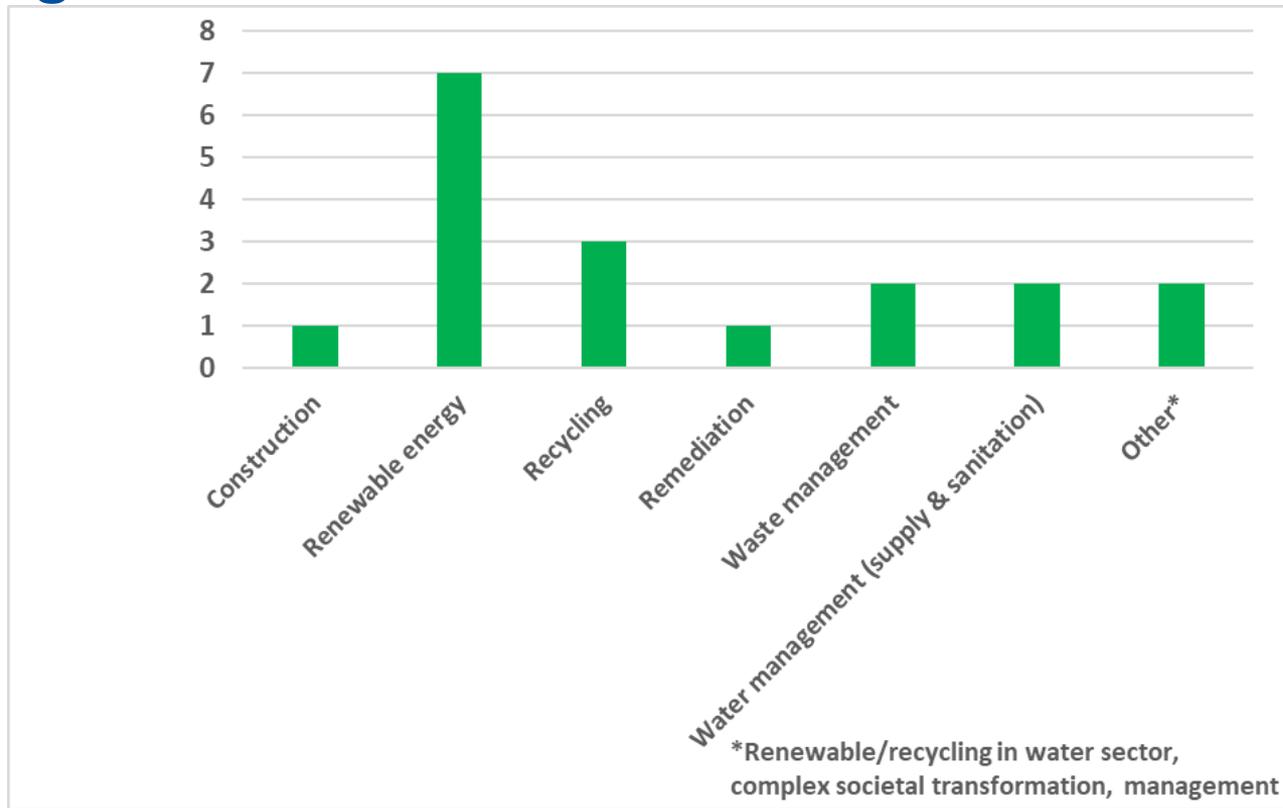


6. In your opinion, which **new skills are needed for the green and digital transition** to deliver on the Green Deal and Zero Pollution agenda? Please, specify whether for each of them this is at local, regional, national or EU level.

- Trainings for repair activities (local and regional)
- Material resources on C&D sector
- Blue-collar workers, IT experts and engineers
- Skills related to green technologies (renewables, electrification, material circularity)
- Interdisciplinary, applied research (EU)
- AI and digital skills (European, national, regional)
- Digital/AI, Managerial skills, STEM skills applied in greening, skills to change hearts and minds
- Transformation and learning to change
- Education and training, innovative thinking/ acting, use of decision making tools.
- Problem solving (National, regional)



7. In relation to jobs for the green transition, in which of the following **sectors** do you **expect that most new jobs are going to be created** in the near and mid-term future?



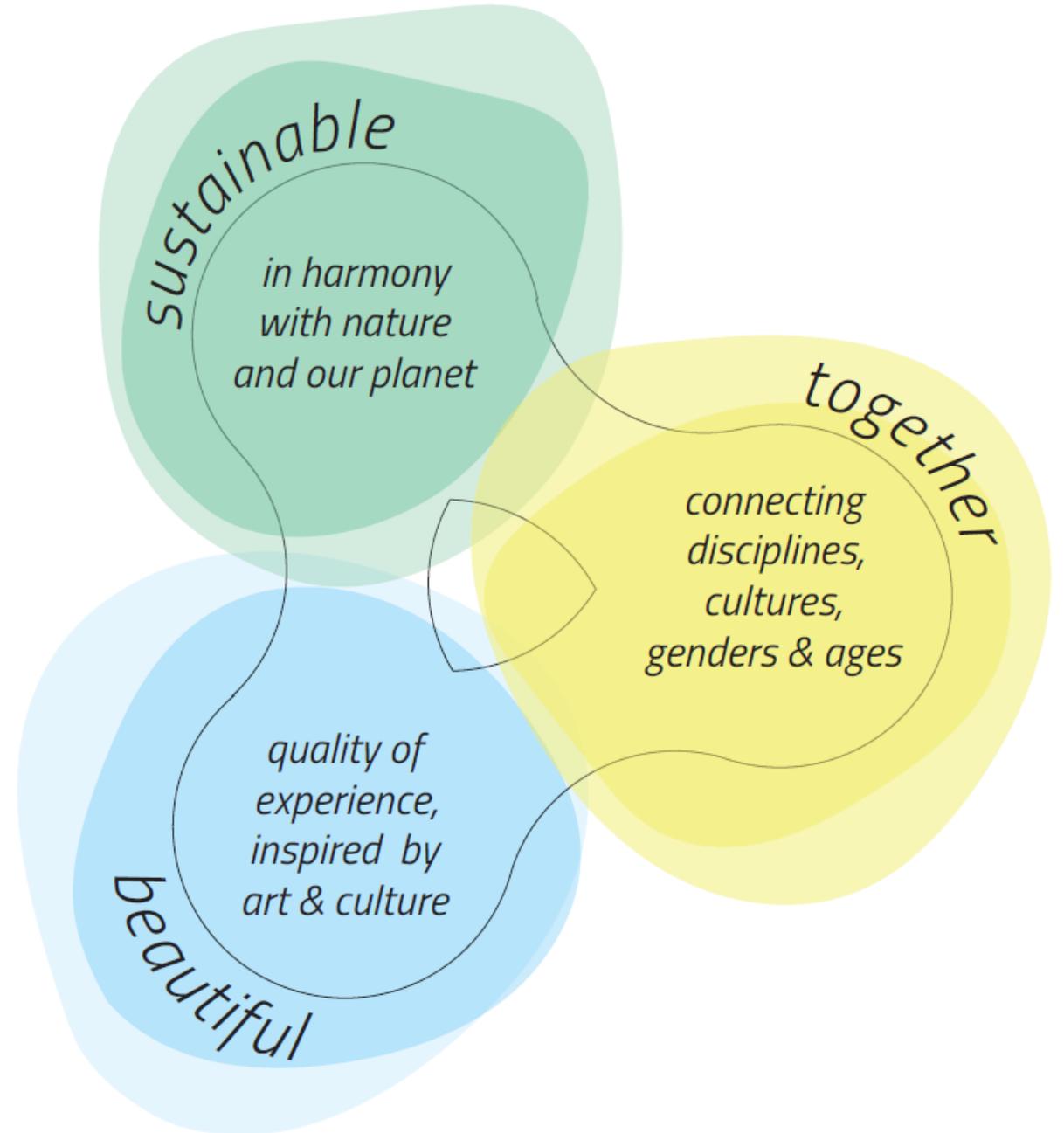


New European Bauhaus (NEB): Imagining and building a future that is ‘Beautiful, Sustainable and Together’

New European Bauhaus

From concept to action

New European Bauhaus Team
Directorate-General Joint Research Centre,
European Commission



New European Bauhaus values

From climate goals, to
circularity, zero pollution,
and biodiversity

sustainable

*in harmony
with nature
and our planet*

together

*connecting
disciplines,
cultures,
genders & ages*

Inclusion, from valuing
diversity and equality for all,
to securing accessibility and
affordability.

Aesthetics, quality of
experience and style, beyond
functionality

beautiful

*quality of
experience,
inspired by
art & culture*



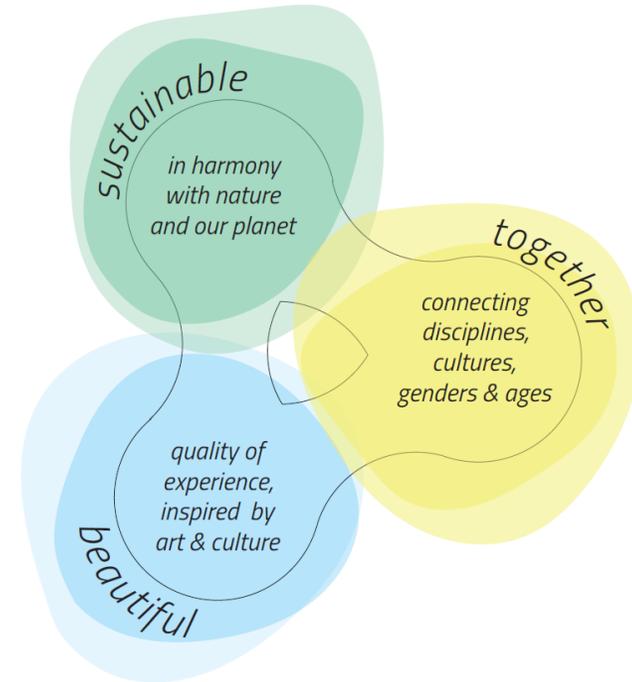
New European Bauhaus

Principles:

Global/local, participatory and transdisciplinary approach

Thematic axes of the transformation path:

- Reconnecting to nature
- Regaining a sense of belonging
- Prioritising the places and people that need it the most
- The need for long term, life cycle thinking in the industrial ecosystem





Delivery

Cross-policy and cross-programmes

- Mobilizing a set of EU programmes (Creative Europe, Horizon Europe, Single Market Programme, LIFE, EIT, etc.)
- Calling on Member States to mobilise EU resources in shared management (cohesion policy) + RRFs

Impacts at 3 levels

- Transforming places on the ground
- Transforming the enabling ecosystem for innovation
- Diffusing new meanings through education and culture

[Delivery \(europa.eu\)](https://europa.eu)

[Funding opportunities \(europa.eu\)](https://europa.eu)



NEB Community

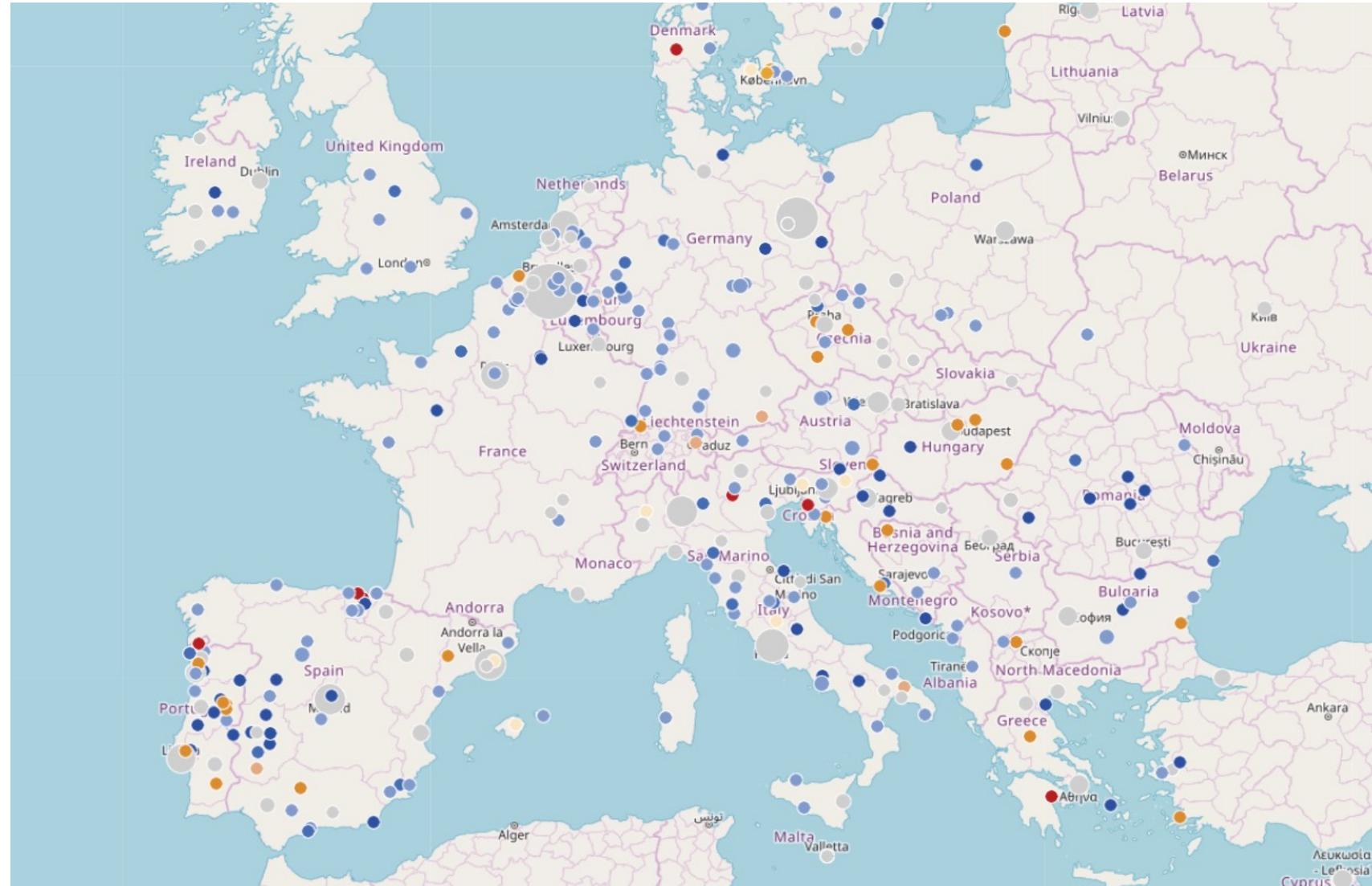


- 698 Official Partners**
non political and non-for profit organisations
- 19 Members of the High-Level Round Table**
practitioners in different fields relevant to NEB
- 173 NEB Prize winners & finalists**
promoters of inspiring projects illustrating the NEB triangle of values
- 27 National Contact Points**
public authorities coordinating national efforts to implement the initiative
- 170 Friends**
companies and public authorities
 - > **NEB dedicated calls' beneficiaries**
 - > **NEB Team & other relevant EC colleagues**

The Dashboard

The dashboard is a dynamic interactive map showing information on NEB projects and key actors across Europe and beyond.

The map evolves as the NEB community continues to grow.



NEB Academy

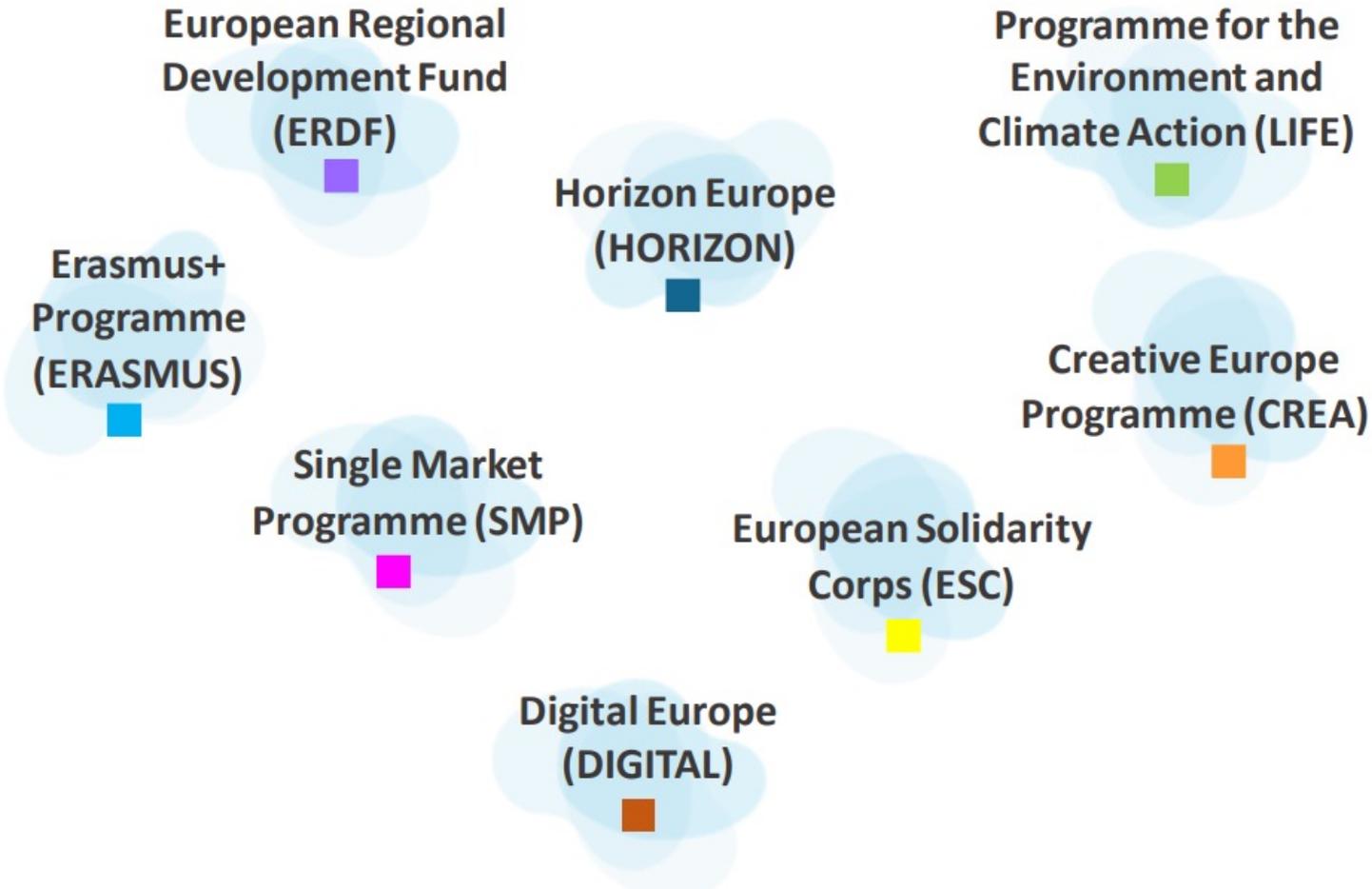
As one flagship initiative of the European Year of Skills, the European Commission will launch a **New European Bauhaus Academy** to promote **skills for the development** and **use of biobased materials** as well as **circularity** in the construction sector.

- Training modules for bio-based materials, nature-based solutions , and circularity.
- Targeted to the different construction professionals
- Online platform
- Integrating existing material, including from MS
- Available in all EU languages
- Easy search
- Support on-site trainings
- Communicate, scale up
- Large-scale deployment



NEB funding opportunities

Overview of EU funding opportunities to support the achievement of the New European Bauhaus objectives (2023-2024)





**TRANSFORMATION
OF PLACES OF LEARNING**



**REGULATORY ANALYSIS
AND EXPERIMENTATION**



NEB GOES SOUTH



INNOVATIVE FUNDING



**NEW EUROPEAN BAUHAUS
OF THE MOUNTAINS**

NEB Lab



LABELLING STRATEGY

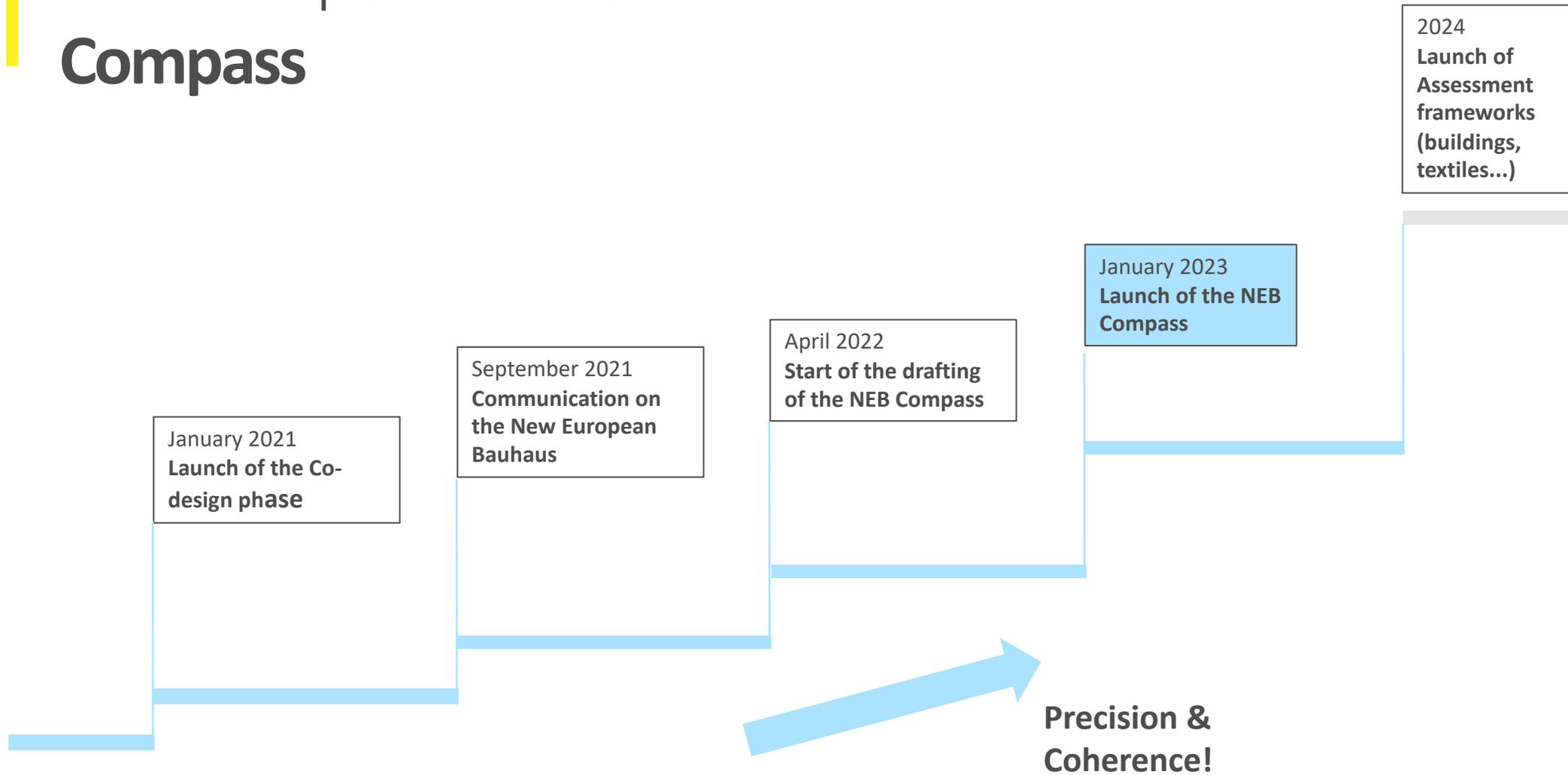


ACTIONS FOR UKRAINE



NORDIC CARBON NEUTRAL BAUHAUS

New European Bauhaus Compass



New European Bauhaus Compass



What is it?

- a framework to guide decision and project makers **at the design phase**
- covering **all type of NEB projects** (building, education model, event...)

Why?

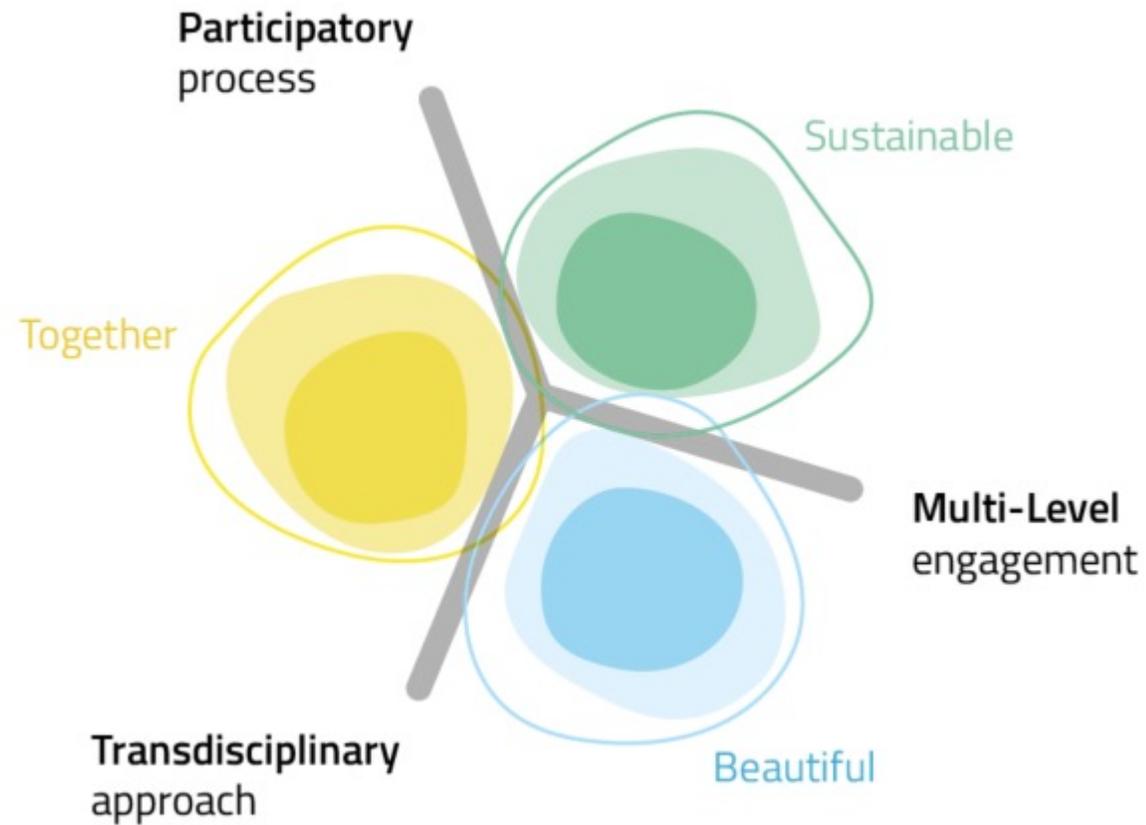
- to equip all NEB stakeholders with a **shared vocabulary and understanding** of the three values and working principles
- to strengthen NEB projects with ambitious and integrated objectives

How?

- with the definition of **3 levels of ambitions** for each value and principle, accompanied by examples and **sets of guiding questions**
- with an **evolving logo** that helps visualizing how "NEB" a concept is, and a series of illustrative **case studies**

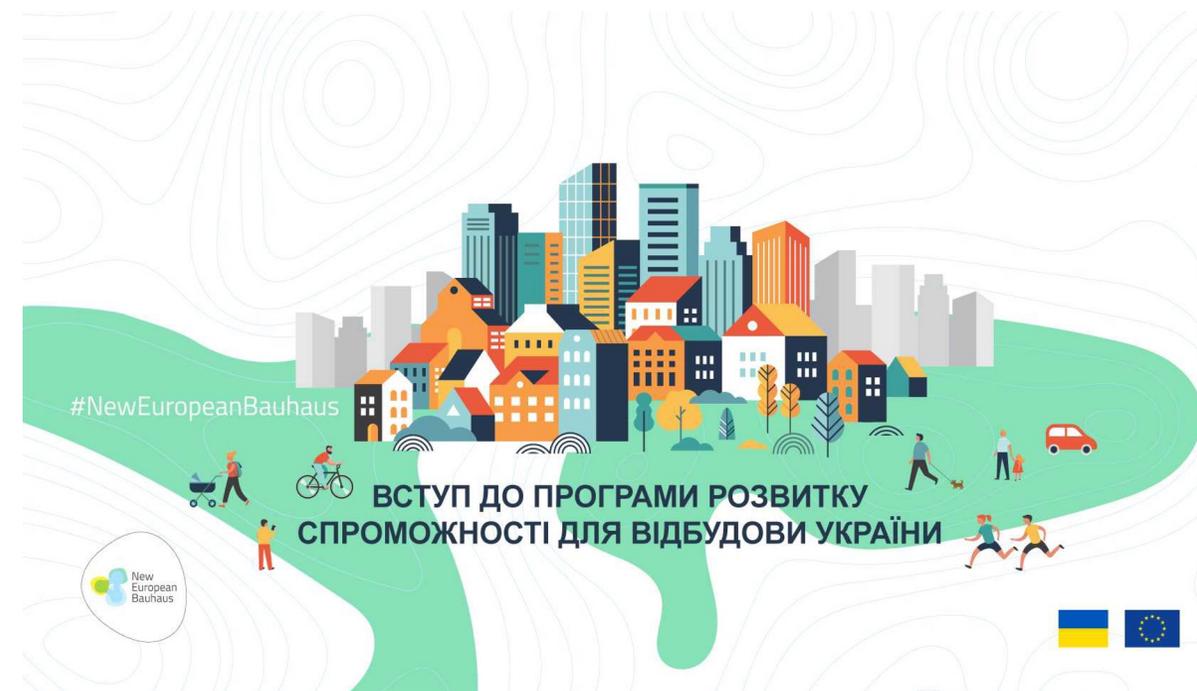


New European Bauhaus Compass



Actions in Ukraine

- Pilot capacity-building programme based on the needs identified in three reports (Housing Urgency, Circular Housing and Capacity Building)
- 3 thematic modules (Getting organised for reconstruction, Circularity and Energy Efficiency, Housing Redevelopment and Maintenance)
- 3 curators and 30 involved speakers from Ukraine and Europe
- 560 unique applicants for Modules 1/ 2/ 3
- 65 hromadas/regions teams from all Ukrainian regions have participated:
- 150 most active participants received completed all obligatory tasks and received Certificates
- 30 teams in all Modules have done project non-obligatory tasks and presented that in summary sessions



New European Bauhaus



Why a Mission?

Call for the next step of the New European Bauhaus

Horizon Europe-New European Bauhaus Nexus Report

Conclusions of the High-Level Workshop on 'Research and Innovation for the New European Bauhaus', jointly organised by DG Research and Innovation and the Joint Research Centre

Independent Expert Report



Research and Innovation analysis for the NEB with the research community



What challenges would a NEB Mission address?



UN VOLUNTEERS

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"THE ERA OF GLOBAL BOILING HAS ARRIVED"

António Guterres, UN Secretary General.

Challenge 1: Climate change is accelerating, and the pace of transformation remains too slow.

China's Green Building Materials Sector: Policies and Investment Opportunities

November 18, 2022 | Posted by Qian Zhou | Written by Yi Wu | Reading Time: 5 minutes

China's green building materials sector presents great opportunities for foreign investment, given the country's vast real estate market and ambitious plans to meet high environmental standards and serve climate-conscious goals. Foreign investors are advised to keep a close eye on policy developments impacting this sector.

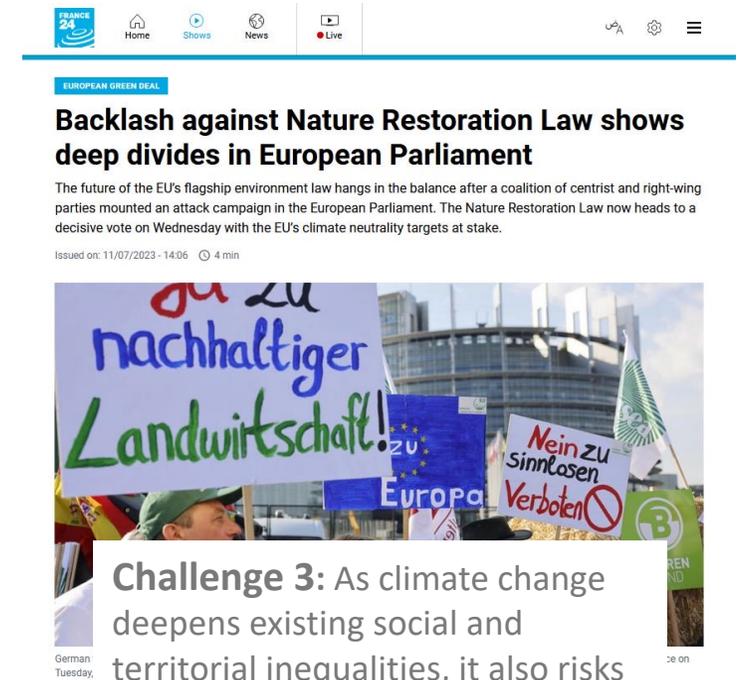
What makes China's innovation ecosystem unique?



China's climate goals and the importance of green building materials



Challenge 2: Europe has set a major ambition to be a world leader in green transformation, but can the industry follow?



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EUROPEAN GREEN DEAL

Backlash against Nature Restoration Law shows deep divides in European Parliament

The future of the EU's flagship environment law hangs in the balance after a coalition of centrist and right-wing parties mounted an attack campaign in the European Parliament. The Nature Restoration Law now heads to a decisive vote on Wednesday with the EU's climate neutrality targets at stake.

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Challenge 3: As climate change deepens existing social and territorial inequalities, it also risks eroding trust in democratic institutions.



What would this new Mission focus on ?

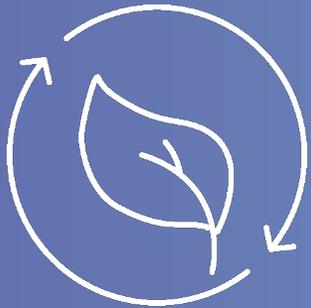


**Revitalise European neighbourhoods
with design for sustainability and inclusion**

New European Bauhaus



Research & Innovation Components



Circular & regenerative processes for the construction ecosystem



Green transformation and local democracy

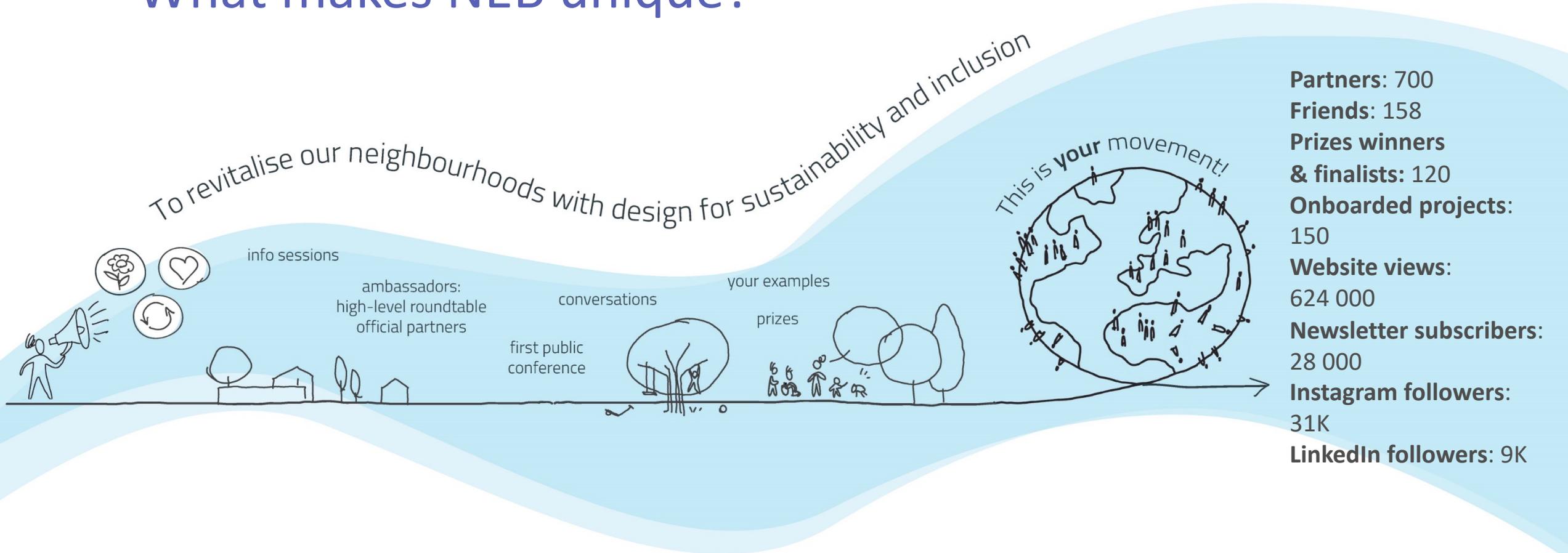


New funding and business models for circularity in the built environment

What do we build on?

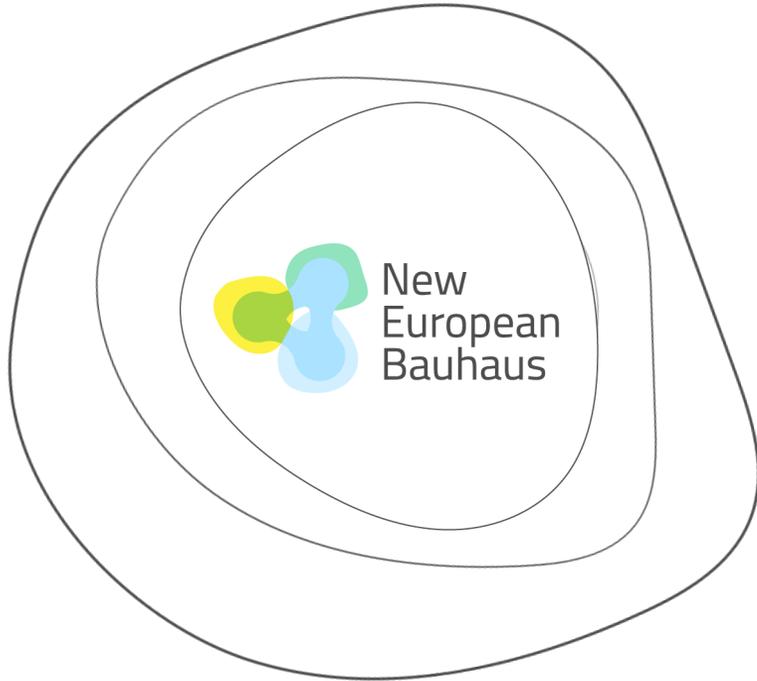
What makes NEB unique?

To revitalise our neighbourhoods with design for sustainability and inclusion



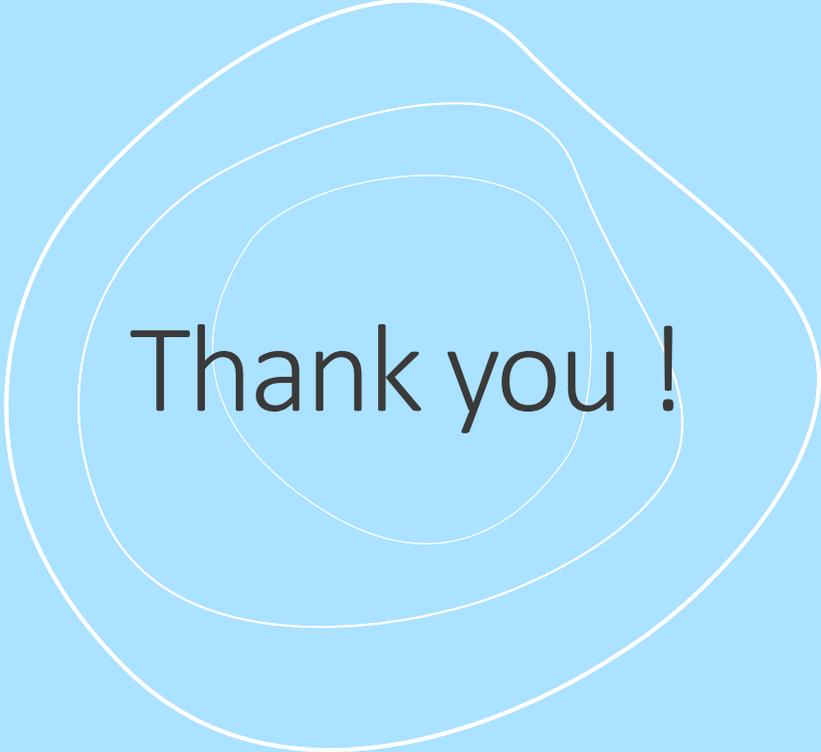
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Instagram followers:
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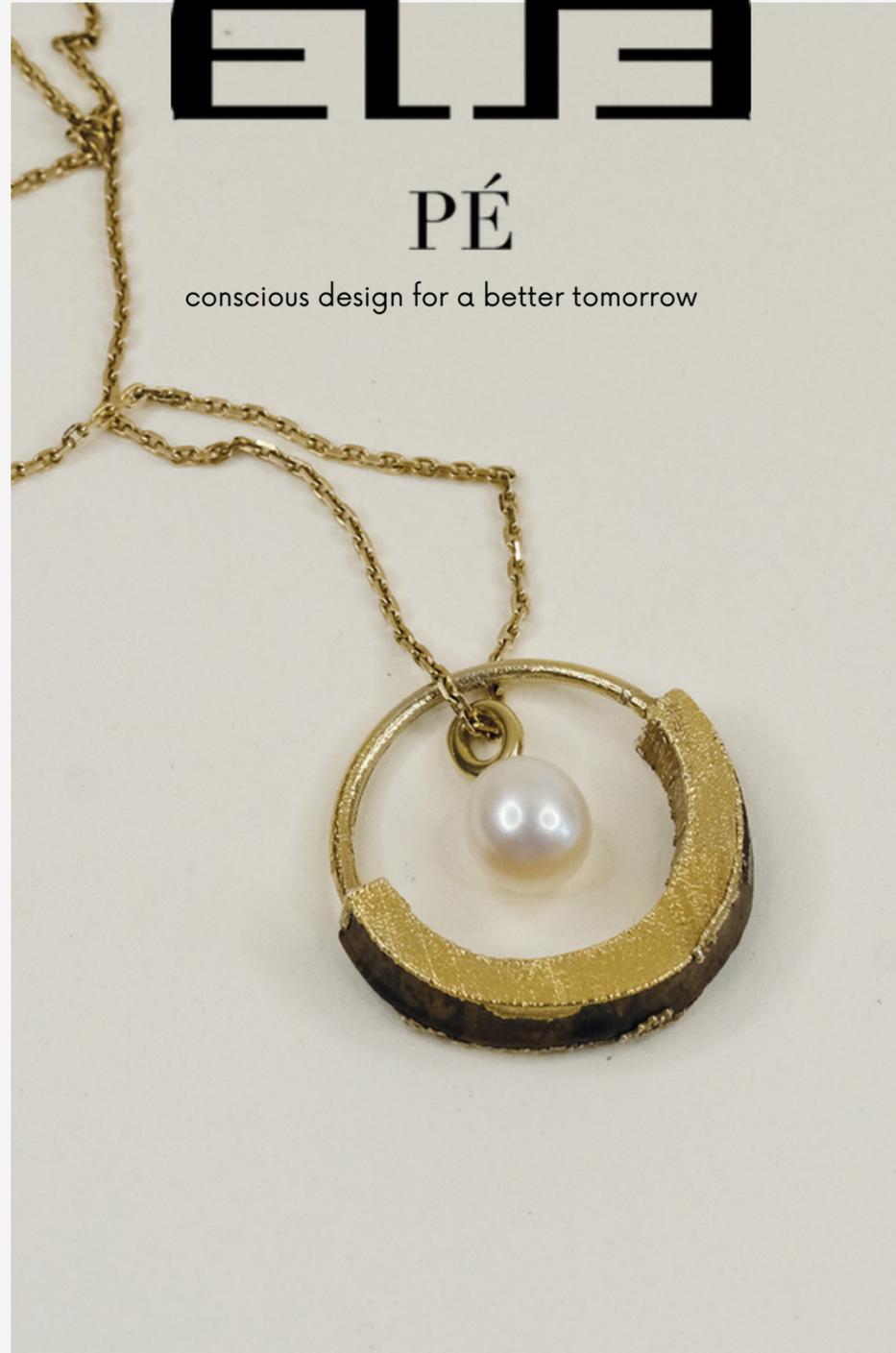
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conscious design for a better tomorrow



The la rosa necklace
material: bamboo, real gold, gold chain

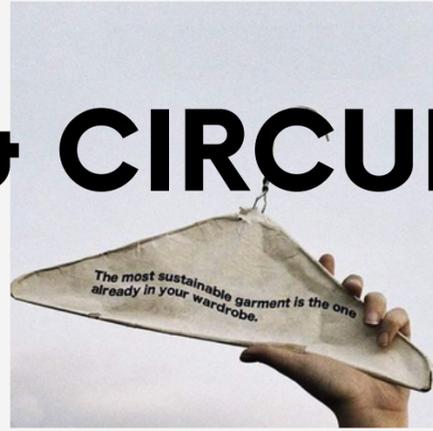


The aurora necklace
material: bamboo, real gold, real pearl, gold chain



The base material
material: bamboo, raw carved by hand

PRODUCT LIFECYCLE & CIRCULARITY CONCEPT



RECYCLE

used garments come back to be made into something new



RAW MATERIALS

- DESIGNED FOR CIRUCLAIRITY
- DESIGNED FOR EVERY BODYSHAPE
- PUTTING THE FOCUS ON HANDMADE AND CRAFTMANSHIP OF UNIQUE PIECES
- GENDERFLUID STYLES

Textilewaste
Deadstock materials
Fashion industries waste
existing styles from our own collection

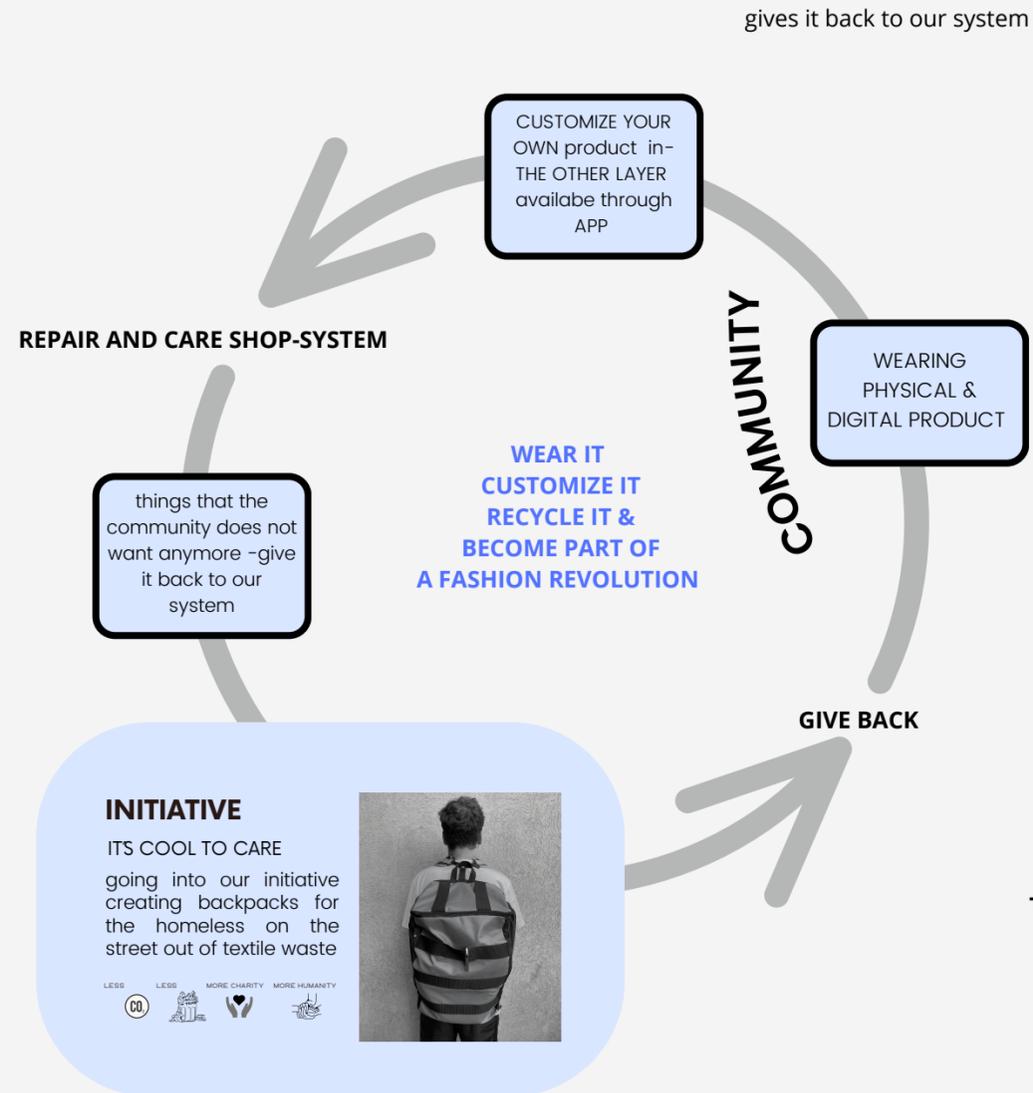
DESIGNED AND BUILT TO LAST

TRANSPORTATION /PACKAGING
EFC certified paper packaging
use pick up in shop
and alternative delivery
systems within the city e.g. in
partner shops



DIGITAL EXTENSION OF PHYSICAL PRODUCT
"THE OTHER LAYER"
to inspire
to entertain
to keep the innovation fun
to show new ways of phygital

gives it back to our system



things that the community does not want anymore -give it back to our system

LESS LESS MORE CHARITY MORE HUMANITY



INITIATIVE

IT'S COOL TO CARE



PRODUCE BACKPACK OUT OF THIS TEXTILE WASTE

Leftover fabrics from other suppliers / Textile waste from sorter

**CONSUMERS BUY IT
WE GIFT IT
WE RECYCLE IT &
YOU BECOME PART OF
A CIRCULAIR REVOLUTION**

for each item sold - one backpack will be given to someone in need

LEFTOVER WILL BE GIVEN BACK TO OUR MATERIAL LIBRARY

LESS LESS MORE CHARITY MORE HUMANITY



PROBLEMS WE TACKLE

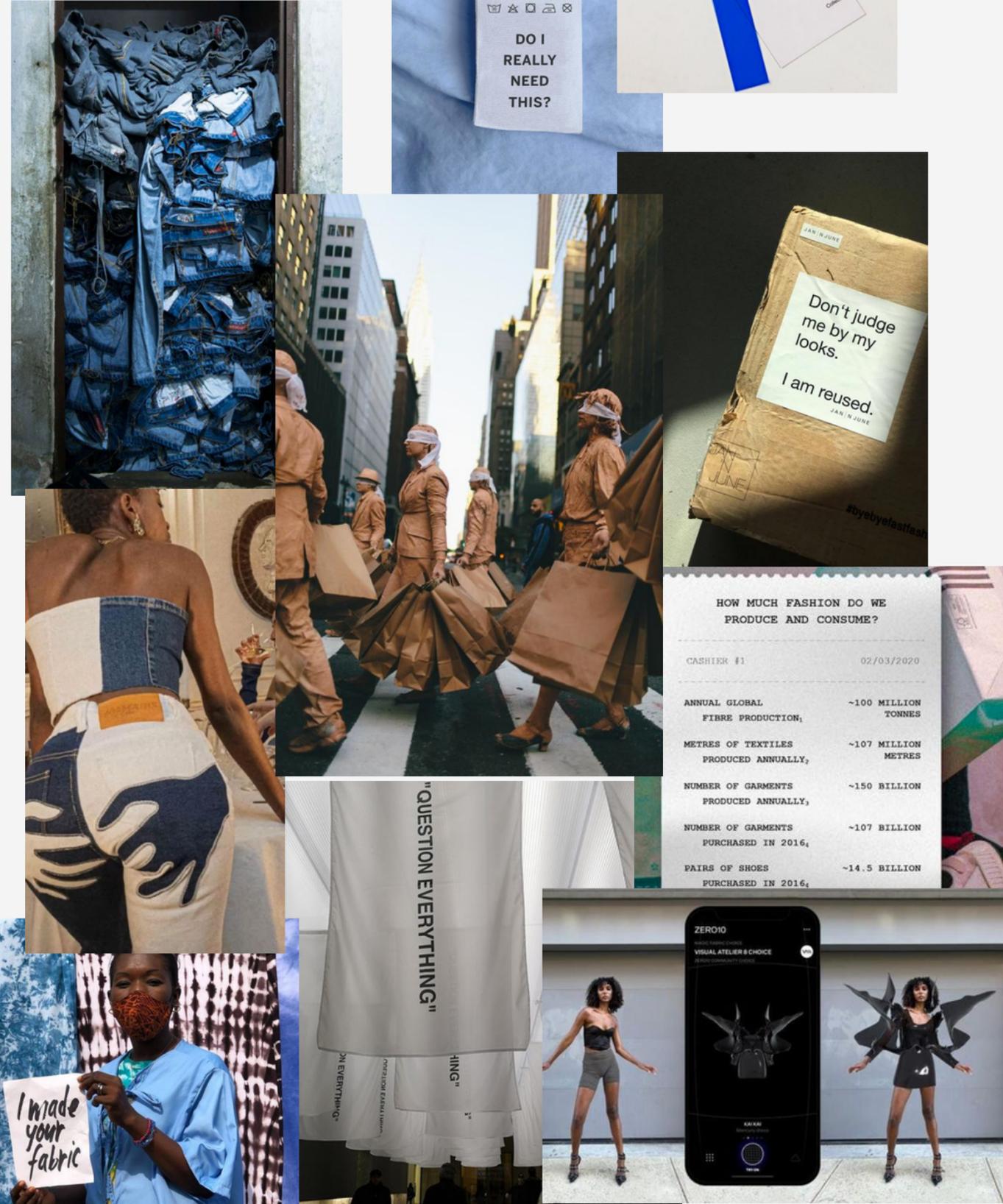
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
OVERPRODUCTION OVERCONSUMPTION
LACK OF CUSTOMIZATION
LACK OF TRANSPARENCY

- TACKLING EXCESSIVE WASTE AND ENVIRONMENTAL HARM IN FASHION
- UPCYCLING AND USING DEADSTOCK MATERIALS TO REDUCE RESOURCE DEMAND
- DIVERTING TEXTILES FROM LANDFILLS FOR A MORE ECO-FRIENDLY APPROACH

- ADDRESSING FASHION'S OVERPRODUCTION ISSUE
- PRODUCING GARMENTS ON-DEMAND TO REDUCE WASTE AND EXCESS INVENTORY MATERIAL BASE

- PROVIDING PERSONALIZED FASHION OPTIONS
- EMPOWERING CUSTOMERS TO TAILOR CLOTHING TO THEIR PREFERENCES

- ENSURING TRANSPARENCY IN SUPPLY CHAINS AND PRODUCTION
- BUILDING TRUST AND ACCOUNTABILITY WITH CUSTOMERS



- RAISING AWARENESS OF SUSTAINABLE FASHION PRACTICES
- EDUCATING CONSUMERS ON ECO-CONSCIOUS CHOICES IN FASHION

- EMPOWERING CONSUMERS TO MAKE ETHICAL FASHION CHOICES
- PROVIDING EDUCATION AND SUSTAINABLE OPTIONS

- POSITIVELY IMPACTING FASHION SUPPLY CHAIN COMMUNITIES
- SUPPORTING WORKERS AND ARTISANS WITH RESPONSIBLE PRACTICES
- CONTRIBUTING TO THE FASHION INDUSTRY'S SUSTAINABILITY MOVEMENT
- ENCOURAGING ECO-FRIENDLY PRACTICES AND ETHICAL FASHION CHOICES

- FOSTERING CONSUMER ENGAGEMENT THROUGH PHYGITAL EXPERIENCES
- STRENGTHENING THE BRAND'S CONNECTION WITH THE AUDIENCE

LIMITED SUSTAINABILITY AWARENESS
CONSUMER EMPOWERMENT
IMPACT ON COMMUNITIES/ SUSTAINABILITY MOVEMENT
ENGAGEMENT CONNECTION



Towards a strategic research agenda for the Green Deal transition including Zero Pollution



Towards a strategic research agenda for the Green Deal transition including Zero Pollution

Zero Pollution Stakeholder Platform, 9 November 2023

ENV.A3 Green Knowledge, Research Hub, LIFE

Outline of the R&I session

1. Horizon Europe and the policy context (10 min)
2. EU-funded research on Zero Pollution (5 min)
3. Interactive session on R&I needs to support ZPAP (50 min)
4. Conclusion (5 min)

Horizon Europe and the policy context

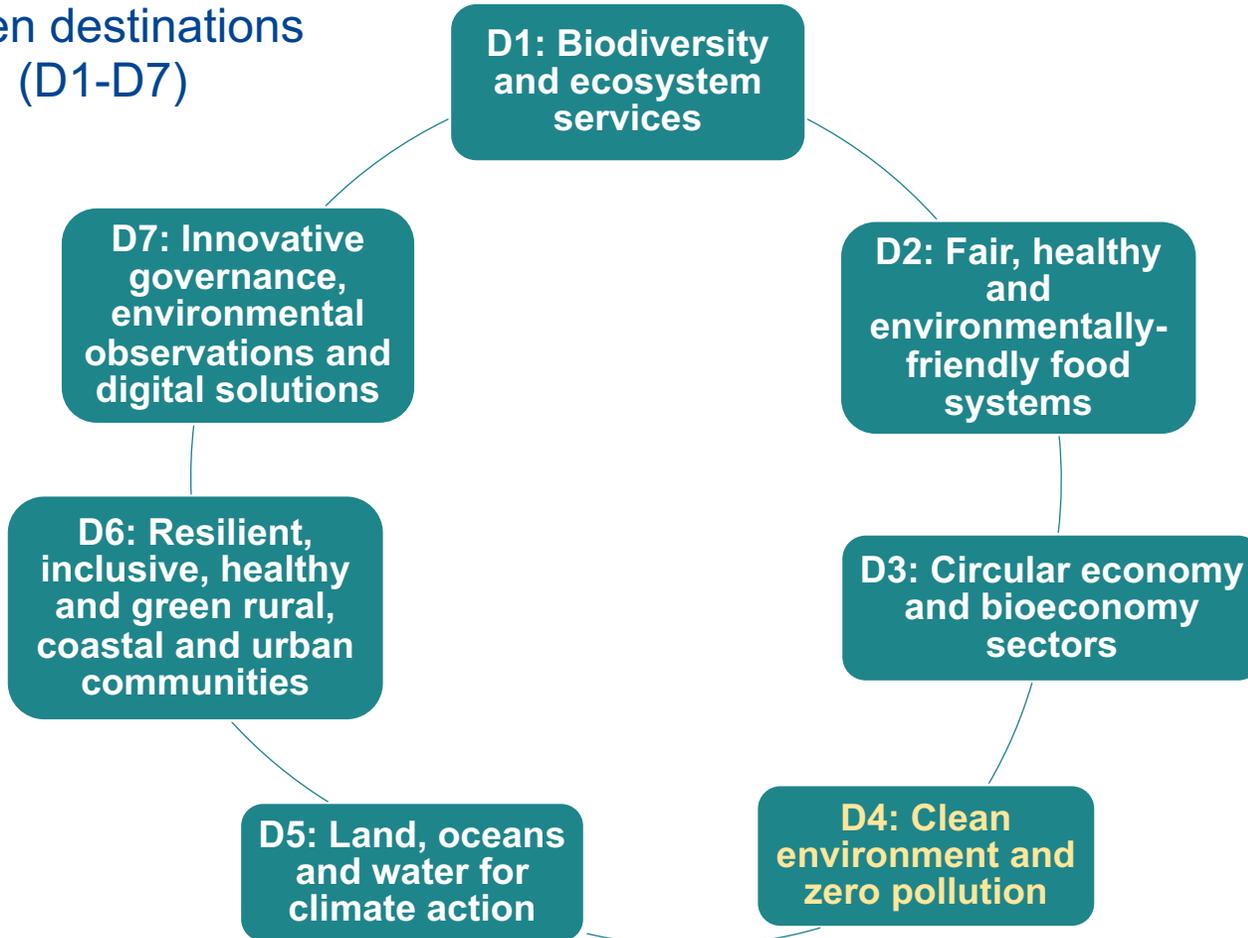
Horizon Europe and the policy context

- Horizon is contributing to the implementation of the ZPAP and its initiatives across various Horizon Europe clusters, partnerships, missions, etc.
- R&I has been addressing *pollution in air, water, soil; pollution in seas and oceans; noise and light pollution; hazardous chemicals; (micro-)plastic pollution; nutrient pollution; environmental impacts of food systems; links between pollution and human health; clean transport; pollution in cities; water-energy-food nexus, etc.*
- Mandatory 'Do No Significant Harm principle' (pollution prevention & control)



Cluster 6: food, bio-economy, natural resources, agriculture and environment

Seven destinations
(D1-D7)



Other clusters:

1. Health

(environment and social health determinants, rare diseases, non-communicable diseases, etc.)

2. Culture

(democracy, cultural heritage, soc&eco transformation, etc.)

3. Security

(disaster-resilience, protection, cybersecurity, etc.)

4. Digital, industry, space, defence

(manufacturing technologies, advanced materials, AI, circular industries, low carbon and clean industries)

5. Climate, energy, mobility

(climate science and solutions, energy supply, energy grids, energy storage, buildings in energy transition, cities, clean, safe and accessible transport, etc.)

Relevant Partnerships for Zero Pollution - examples

Water Security for the planet

Scientific research in freshwater



Sustainable Blue Economy

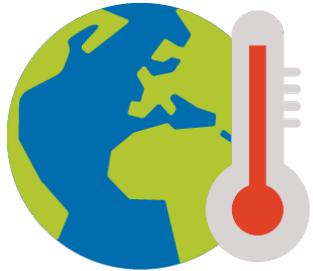
R&I agendas of the sea basins (Mediterranean, Black Sea, Baltic and North Sea) and the Atlantic Ocean

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Next-generation chemical risk assessment to protect human health and the environment



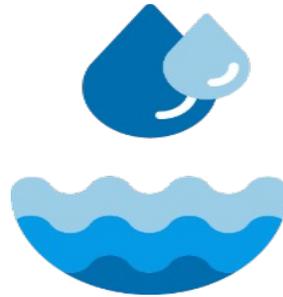
Five EU Missions - all relevant to Zero Pollution



Adaptation to
climate change



Cancer



Restore our
oceans and
waters



Climate-neutral
& smart cities



Soil Deal for
Europe

Horizon Europe: towards the second Strategic Plan



Poll results – 2nd ZPSP meeting 2022

What type of information/ opportunity would be useful for your organization to receive via the ZPSP in relation to R&I activities?

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(1/2)

Information on relevant new R&I calls under Horizon Europe



49 %

Information on relevant R&I results under H2020/Horizon Europe



69 %

Details of info-days for Horizon Europe Clusters and Missions



20 %

An opportunity to identify relevant R&I gaps or needs related to the zero pollution ambition



74 %

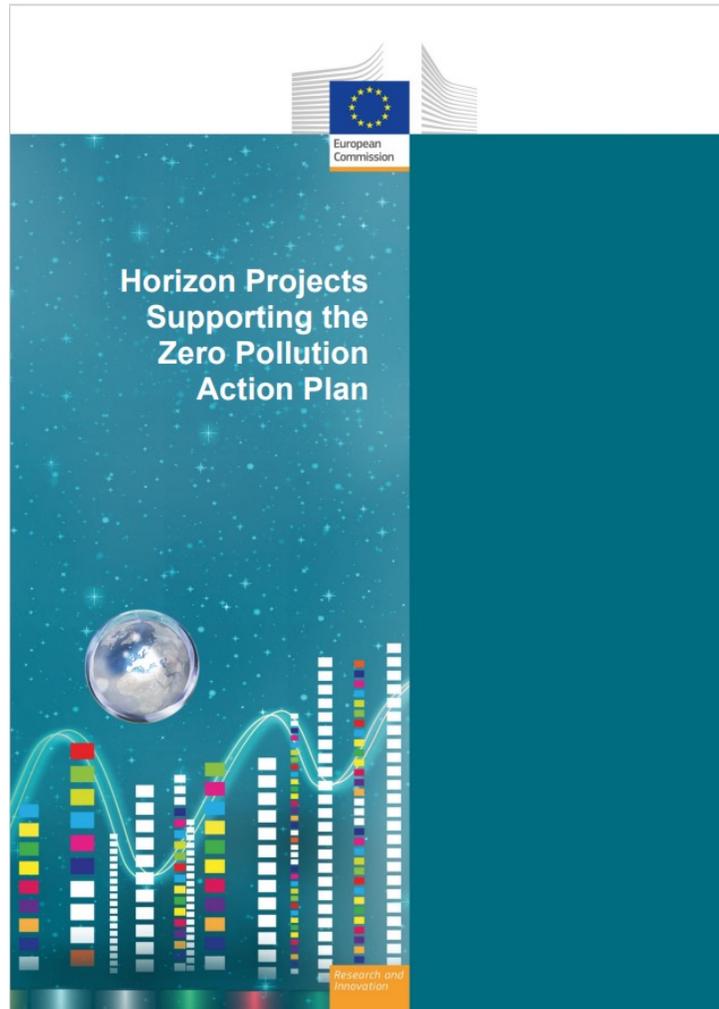
Other types of information not listed above.



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EU-funded research on Zero Pollution

EU-funded research on Zero Pollution



- Selected H2020 projects contributing to 9 flagships of the ZPAP
- Projects and partnerships in the pipeline
- Research findings summarised for a wider audience

Report (2022) [Horizon projects supporting the zero pollution action plan - Publications Office of the EU \(europa.eu\)](https://publications.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/11111111-1111-1111-1111-111111111111)

EU-funded research on Zero Pollution - examples

Air - “IDEAL” -> cluster of 7 projects

- **Title:** Indoor Air Quality Health
- **Type of action:** Research and Innovation Actions
- **Topic:** Indoor air quality and health

Start date
2022/2023

End date
2026/2027



Funded under
Health

EU contribution
€ 52 198 209,76

Total cost
€ 52 226 118,26

More info: [Cordis](#), [website](#)

Water - “ZP4Water” -> cluster of 7 projects

- **Title:** Cluster Zero Pollution for Water
- **Type of action:** Research and Innovation Actions
- **Topic:** Preventing groundwater contamination / Securing drinking water quality by protecting water sources against pollution

Start date
2022

End date
2025/2026



Funded under
Food, Bioeconomy Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment

EU contribution
€ 27 299 645,48

Total cost
€ 27 447 579,17

More info: [Cordis](#)

EU-funded research on Zero Pollution - examples

Soil - ISLANDR

- **Title:** Information-based Strategies for LAND Remediation
- **Type of action:** Research and Innovation Action
- **Topic:** Remediation strategies, methods and financial models for decontamination and reuse of land in urban and rural areas



More info: [Cordis](#)

Health – “EHEN” -> cluster of 9 projects

- **Title:** European Human Exposome Network
- **Type of action:** Research and Innovation Actions
- **Topic:** The Human Exposome Project: a toolbox for assessing and addressing the impact of environment on health



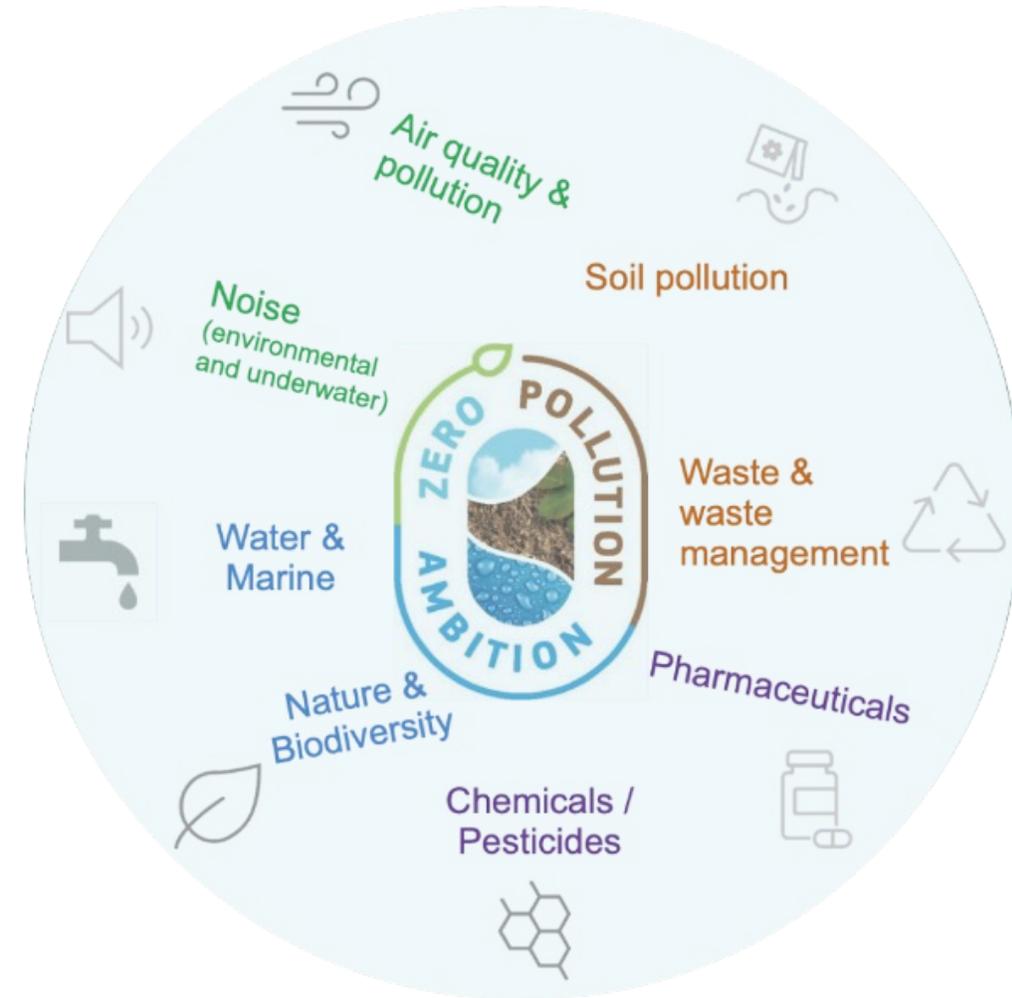
More info: [Cordis](#), [Website](#)

Interactive session on R&I needs to support ZPAP

Zero Pollution R&I needs

Knowledge gaps/ needs for 2025-2027

- Clean and healthy air / water/ soil
- Environmental pollution within planetary boundaries:
 - Chemicals (see *Strategic R&I Plan for Chemicals and Materials*); nutrients; plastics & micro-plastics; noise; etc.
- Clean production & consumption:
 - Industry; agriculture and food systems; pollution footprint of products & materials across value chains
- Other
 - Clean urban environments; digital solutions; etc.



Gap analysis

work in progress

circulated on 26/10
for discussion today

Clean and healthy air
Improved AQ monitoring and modelling, including dynamic / real-time and the use of AI
Risks of pollutants of emerging concern, including ultrafine particles, black/elemental carbon, sand, PFAS, nanomaterials
Specific emission sources of a cross-silo nature
Risks and identification/detection of waste burning for domestic heating
Energy poverty and related risks for air pollution due to waste and coal/biomass combustion
Emissions from shipping cargoes e.g., methane leakage, fugitive VOCs from tank degassing
Air pollution due to wear and tear in context of e-mobility (road surface/brake emissions from electric vehicles)
Clean and healthy water
Increased water resilience in urban, sub-urban and rural settlements
Preventing spread of antimicrobial resistance through water pathway
Health effects of human exposure to low levels of pharmaceutical via the environment, including combined effects and vulnerable sub-populations
Scale and purpose of existing Managed Aquifer Recharge projects in the EU
Restoration needs for offshore and deep water ecosystems
Ensure cost-effective management of (micro)-pollutants in waste water
Clean and healthy soil (NB shorter list as many needs addressed in Mission Soil, the Biodiversity R&I Roadmap)
Diffuse soil contaminants: monitoring methods, properties and impact on public health
Water storage capacity of natural stock-places in aquifers or soils, especially in flood plains with intensive agriculture and urbanisation
Environmental pollution within planetary boundaries
Transition to non-animal science, addressing use of animals in basic and applied research
Nutrient pollution measures: monitoring, ex-ante estimation and ex-post evaluation
Safe recycling of sewage sludge and other biowaste
Marine eutrophication mitigation: innovative methods including nature-based solutions
Plastic/microplastic pollution measures for soil, freshwater and marine waters
Noise: new methods and tools to automatically characterize noise exposure
Noise-related health impacts, including combined impacts of road traffic and air pollution in urban areas
Hazardous substances of concerns in industrial releases: identification of the sources, quantification of the releases and risk assessment for environment, including human health.
Hazardous substances (including asbestos): health risks related to exposure in occupational environments
Clean production & consumption (NB shorter list as many needs addressed in the Circular Economy R&I Roadmap)
Cumulative pollution impacts of agriculture and aquaculture practices (comparative)
Industrial risks and disasters: development of innovative strategies with local populations
Pollution linked to raw materials extraction / production in third countries for EU imports
Other
Urban exposure: complexity of and relationships between different pollution types, and related health impacts
Develop digital solutions for zero pollution as well as local digital twins/ virtual models

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Thematic priorities (25 min)

- Would you have any feedback on the needs/gaps listed in the summary roadmap? Are there further relevant R&I needs not yet sufficiently addressed in the R&I landscape at EU level?
- In your view which should be the main priorities supporting ZPAP objectives?

Horizon Europe tools (5-10 min)



- Which types of research actions (fundamental research, development of technologies, demonstration, coordination & support, etc.) are in your view most suitable to pursue different long-term objectives?

Horizon Europe cross-cutting issues (5-10 min)



- In which way should cross-cutting issues and approaches be featured in forthcoming Horizon Europe work programmes – such as:
 - international cooperation
 - citizen science
 - gender dimension
 - social sciences and humanities (SSH)
 - social innovation
 - FAIR* data,
 - Do-No-Significant-Harm principle?

* FAIR data are data which meet principles of **f**indability, **a**ccessibility, **i**nteroperability, and **r**eusability.

Thank you!

Any further written input is welcome via ENV-RESEARCH@ec.europa.eu until 17 November.



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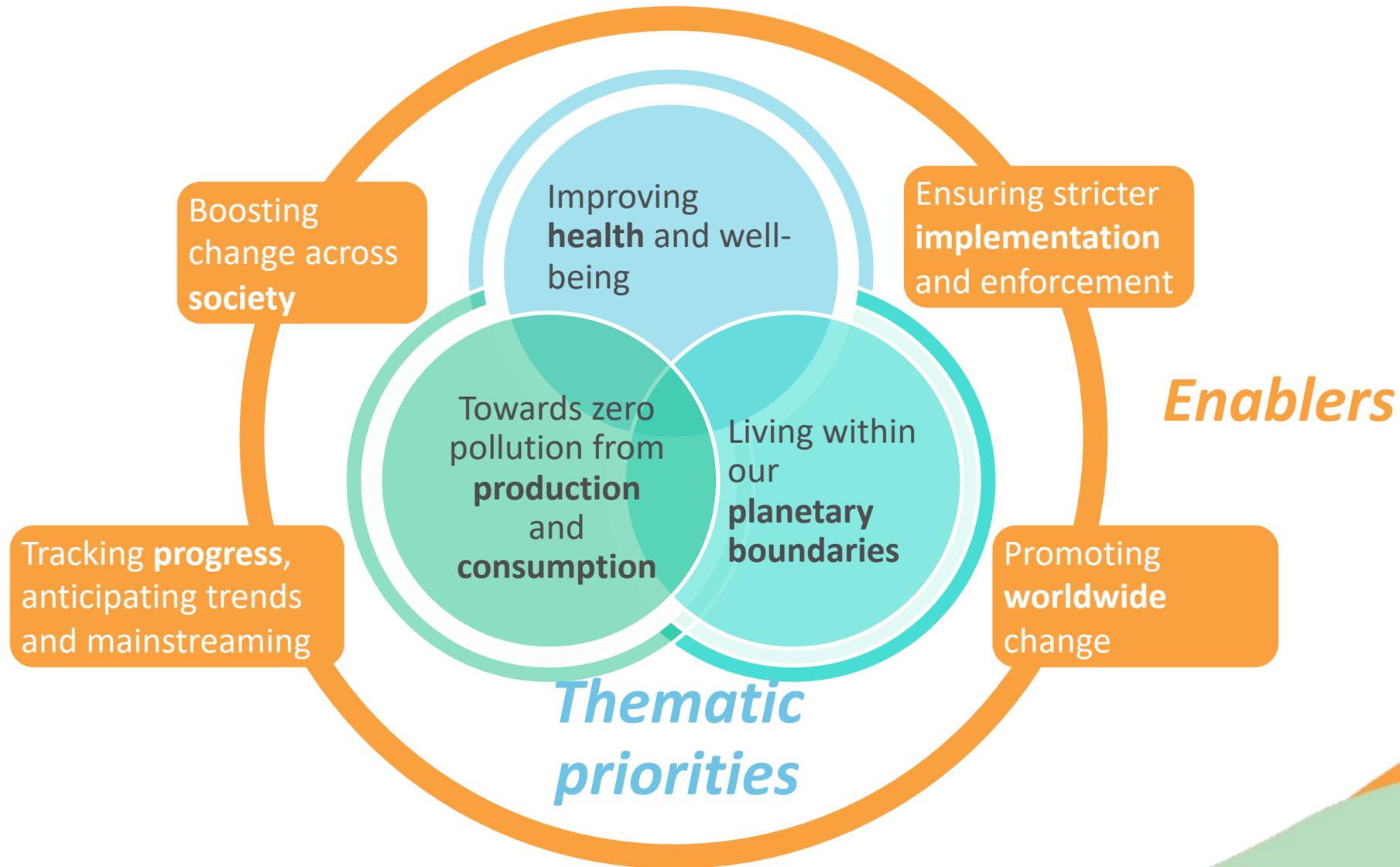
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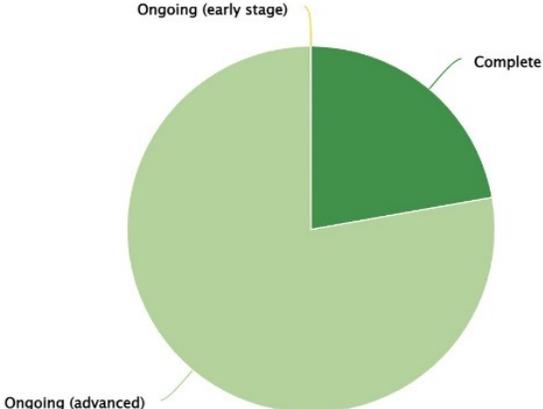
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Implementation of the Zero Pollution Action Plan (ZPAP)

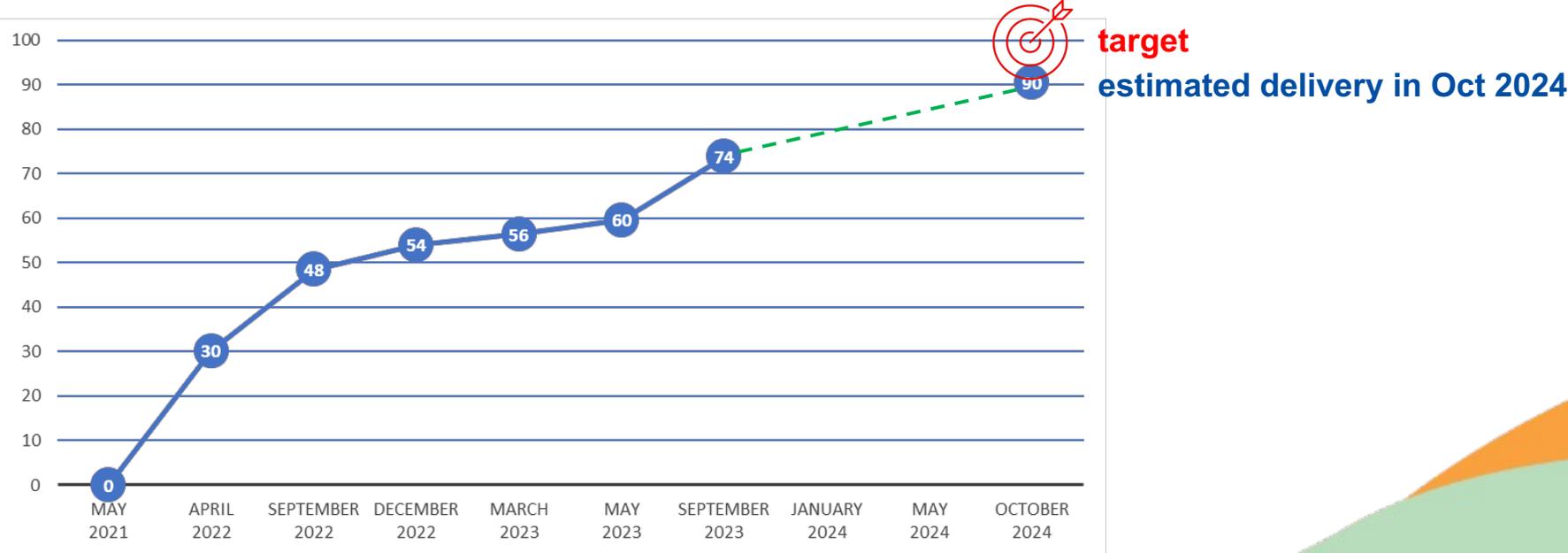
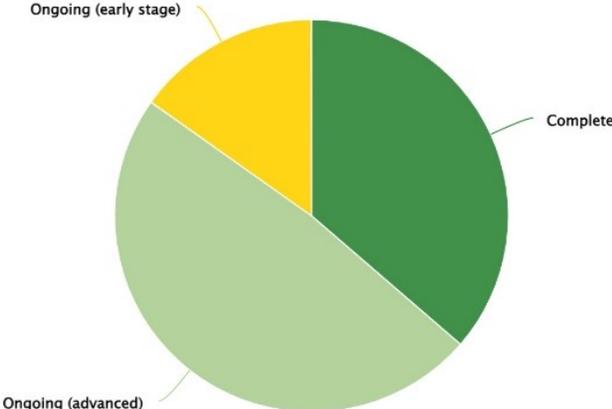


ZPAP: implementation progress

Progress of flagships



Progress of actions



target
estimated delivery in Oct 2024



Zero Pollution - key legislative actions

ZPAP actions – proposals until July 2022

- Revision of the **Industrial Emissions Directive** and **Industrial Emissions Register** Regulation (April 2022)
- Sustainable Product Initiative – Revision of **Ecodesign Directive** (April 2022)
- Revision of the **Environmental Crime Directive** (Dec 2021)
- **Fit455 package** and **RePowerEU** packages (2021/ 2022) (e.g. **Renewable Energies** and **Energy Efficiency** Directives)

ZPAP package October 2022

- Revision of **Ambient Air Quality Directive**
- Revision of the **Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive**
- Revision of **water pollutants list** (Environmental Quality Standards and Groundwater Directives)

Other relevant Green Deal actions (selection)

- Revision of the Waste Shipment Regulation (Nov 2021)
- Revision of the **Sustainable Use of Pesticides** Regulation (June 2022)
- New **Nature Restoration Law** (June 2022)
- New emission limit values for motor vehicles (**EURO7**) (Nov 2022)

ZPAP actions 2023/2024

- Implementation Report of **Environmental Noise Directive** (delivered)
- Revision of the **Mercury Regulation** (delivered)
- Evaluation of the **Environmental Liability Directive** (ongoing)
- Evaluation of the **Marine Strategy Framework Directive** (ongoing)
- Evaluation of the **Bathing Water Directive** (ongoing)



Implementation progress – Other actions

- More than **50 other actions listed in the Zero Pollution Action Plan** Communication which were announced as part of other Green Deal initiatives but are highly relevant for zero pollution
- Many **Green Deal** policies contribute
 - **Fitfor55**: most several climate and energy actions
 - **Renovation Wave: Asbestos**
 - **Smart and Sustainable Mobility Strategy**: Emission Control Areas for shipping and Inland Navigation Action Plan
 - **Health and the Beating Cancer Action Plan**
 - **Agriculture**: CAP Strategic Plans, Vision for Rural Areas
 - **Horizon Europe** (e.g. Horizon Missions, Partnerships etc.)
 - **Pharmaceutical Strategy**
 - **International**: many actions
 - **Others** (financial, agriculture, digital, education, consumer protection,....)
- Other environment policies (biodiversity, circular economy & chemicals) are closely interlinked and work in close synergy
- **Most of them are delivered by the Commission!**

Biodiversity & Farm to Fork Strategies

- **Global Biodiversity Framework**
- Proposal for a **Nature Restoration Law**
- Revision of the **Sustainable Use of Pesticides Regulation**
- **Soil Strategy**

Circular Economy Action Plan

- Sustainable Product Policy
- Revision of **Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation**
- Proposal on **Green Claims**
- Proposals to reduce **microplastics** pollution

Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability

- Revision of **REACH, CLP and related proposals**
- **Safe and Sustainable by Design**
- Revision of the **POPs Regulation**
- Proposals to reduce **PFAS** pollution



Implementation of the Zero Pollution Action Plan (ZPAP): stocktaking and next mandate

Three steps

2023: Evaluation of the Zero Pollution stakeholder activities – consultants will request input via questionnaire

2024: Update of the Zero Pollution Monitoring and Outlook

2025: Review of the Zero Pollution Action Plan



Recent and upcoming meetings

- **7 November 2023: Zero Pollution Talk on the Opinion of the Committee of the Regions on the proposal for a Soil Monitoring Law**
- **today: 5th Meeting of the Zero Pollution Stakeholder Platform**
- **24/25 January 2024: Stakeholder Workshop on the preparation of the second edition of the Zero Pollution Outlook and Monitoring report (2024)**



1st Zero Pollution Monitoring & Outlook

Commission Report (COM(2022) 674)



The [zero pollution action](#) plan sets the zero pollution targets for 2030

EEA Monitoring Assessment 2022



The [zero pollution monitoring assessment 2022](#) assesses the past trends and the latest monitoring data available

JRC Outlook 2022



The [Zero Pollution Outlook 2022](#) provides modelling and foresight, assessing the expected pollution-reduction benefits of EU policies

https://environment.ec.europa.eu/strategy/zero-pollution-action-plan/zero-pollution-targets_en



2nd Zero Pollution Monitoring & Outlook

- **Link to other monitoring programmes**
 - 8th EAP – headline indicators published
 - Chemical Strategy – new indicators
 - Global Biodiversity Framework – alignment of indicators
- **New / update data**
 - Marine litter
 - New water and noise data
 - Pesticides outlook
- **Showcases earth observation including Copernicus**



2nd Zero Pollution Monitoring & Outlook

- **Better visualisation and more consolidated summary report**
- **Feedback and input in the preparation – Stakeholder Workshop January 2024**
- **Report will provide evidence for future policy making**
- **Timelines still to be decided**





Conclusion and next steps

Co-chairs

Veronica Manfredi, Director for Zero Pollution and Green Cities, DG Environment, European Commission and Marieke Schouten, Member of the Committee of the Regions



Thank you for joining us!

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