

EERA Weekly EU Policy Update

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1. Institutional agenda

EU Meetings of the week		
European Parliament		
19 May	ITRE Committee	Agenda available here . Topics include the EU Forest strategy and the Just Transition Fund. Commissioner for Energy Kadri Simson will address the Committee “on energy-related aspects of European recovery after COVID-19”.

2. News of the week

New consultation on the Adaptation Strategy – European Commission

The European Commission has published a new consultation for the EU strategy on adaptation to climate change. The effects of climate changes have already been visible in Europe, with examples like water shortages creating obstacles to economic activity human livelihood. Stakeholders from all backgrounds are then invited to contribute with feedbacks on how the EU should prepare its citizens and activities.

The consultation is available [here](#)



New projects for low-carbon technologies received funding under the scope of the EIC – European Commission

Among the 35 projects awarded with grants from the European Innovation Council, 12 pertain to the category “Breakthrough zero-emissions energy generation for full decarbonisation”. These projects have different scopes, from photoelectrical cells mimicking photosynthesis to hydrogen-driven heat generation and zero-emission energy storage systems. The projects are funded through the EIC with money from the Horizon 2020 programme.

The list of winning projects is available [here](#), while the list of the organisations participating in them is available [here](#) (including many EERA members)

Commission publishes study on policy recommendations for energy storage – European Commission

Last week the Commission presented an independent, Commission-funded study on the development of energy storage in the EU. The report lists a series of policy recommendations to be adopted, in the years to come, in order to increase the capacity of the EU’s energy storage sector. Among these, the Commission encourages Member States to develop specific strategies for energy storage, to include the topic in their NECPs and to provide economic support to higher readiness-level storage technologies.

The report is available [here](#)

Survey on the importance of Local and Regional Actors in the Climate Pact – EU Committee of the Regions

The Committee of Regions, in sight of the current consultation on the Climate Pact, has published a survey on the role that LRAs will play in the challenge to make the EU climate neutral. The findings of the questionnaire will feed into a forthcoming CoR opinion on the Climate Pact being drafted by the Rapporteur Rafał Trzaskowski.

You can answer to the survey at this [link](#)

3. Other events

Other Events and Conferences			
Organisation	Title	Date and Time	Venue/Location
European Commission and Covenant of Mayors - Europe Office	Citizen Finance: people investing in their cities’ sustainable future	9 June 2020 , 10:00 to 11:30, registrations open here	Online
EUROBAT	"Battery Innovation Roadmap 2030"	5 June 2020 , 10:00 to 11:30, registrations open here	Online

