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# What is the European Green Deal?

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#EUGreenDeal

The European Green Deal is about **improving the well-being of people**. Making Europe climate-neutral and protecting our natural habitat will be good for people, planet and economy. No one will be left behind.

## The EU will:



Become  
climate-neutral  
by 2050



Protect human life,  
animals and plants,  
by cutting pollution



Help companies  
become world leaders  
in clean products and  
technologies



Help ensure a  
just and inclusive  
transition

*“The European Green Deal is our new growth strategy.  
It will help us cut emissions while creating jobs.”*

*Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission*



*“We propose a green and inclusive transition to help  
improve people’s well-being and secure a healthy planet  
for generations to come.”*

*Frans Timmermans, Executive Vice-President of the European Commission*



**93%**  
of Europeans see  
**climate change** as  
a **serious problem**



**93%**  
of Europeans have **taken**  
at least one **action**  
to tackle climate change



**79%**  
agree that taking action  
on climate change will  
**lead to innovation**

# What will we do?

## CLIMATE

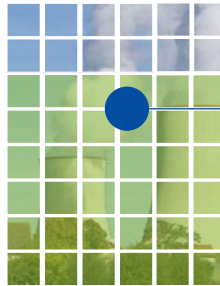
The EU will be **climate neutral in 2050**.

The Commission will propose a European Climate Law turning the political commitment into a legal obligation and a trigger for investment.

**Reaching this target will require action by all sectors of our economy:**

## ENERGY

▶ Decarbonise the energy sector



The production and use of energy account for more than **75%** of the EU's greenhouse gas emissions

## BUILDINGS

▶ Renovate buildings, to help people cut their energy bills and energy use



**40%** of our energy consumption is by buildings

## INDUSTRY

▶ Support industry to innovate and to become global leaders in the green economy



European industry only uses **12%** recycled materials

## MOBILITY

▶ Roll out cleaner, cheaper and healthier forms of private and public transport



Transport represents **25%** of our emissions

