

The European Green Deal: will we be fit for 55?

DID YOU KNOW



Environmental policy is a **shared competence** between the EU and the **Member States**: most decisions are taken by the European Commission, the European Parliament and the Council of the EU.



The environment and the fight against climate change have been at the heart of European policies since the beginning of the European project.



BIRDS DIRECTIVE
1979



HABITATS DIRECTIVE
1992

They led to the creation of Natura 2000, the European network of nature sites designed to protect biodiversity.



Since 2019, the EU has taken a giant step towards combating climate change:

2019



European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen launches the Green Deal for Europe

2021



The 'climate law' translates the EU's climate objectives into law



2030



The EU reduces its CO2 emissions by 55% compared with 1990 levels

2050



The EU becomes climate neutral.

To achieve its objectives, the European Commission adopted the '**FIT FOR 55**' legislative package in 2021. It aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by at least

- 55%

by

2030

The 13 legally binding measures proposed by Brussels include :



The end of new diesel and petrol cars in 2035



Overhaul of the carbon market and extension of the system to road transport fuels and heating of buildings



Customs duties on imports of goods from countries with lower environmental standards than the EU



Target of 42.5% renewable energy in the European energy mix



Development of natural carbon sinks, such as forests, to absorb excess emissions



Follow the news to find out what happens to these legislative proposals!