

Science-policy high-level event: “Integrating science into the EU Green Deal”



30 September 2020, 15:00-17:00 CEST
Online event

Hosted by MEP Norbert Lins

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Vice-Chair of the EP Intergroup on ‘Climate Change, Biodiversity and Sustainable Development’

On 11 December 2019 the new EU Commission President Von der Leyen proposed the [European Green Deal](#), which aims to make all 27 countries in the European Union climate neutral by 2050. Successful implementation of the Green Deal will require scientific expertise on a number of different levels. The geosciences, which encompass a [large number of scientific disciplines](#), offer crucial expertise in areas relating to climate change, pollution, energy, biodiversity, ocean health and many other fields.

In order to promote stronger collaboration between policymakers and scientists, the European Parliament Intergroup on Climate Change, Biodiversity and Sustainable Development in collaboration with the European Geosciences Union (EGU) join forces in organizing this event. The aim of the latter is to offer a platform for researchers and policymakers to work together, to outline where more scientific input will be needed in the Green Deal and to find pathways for rapidly incorporating research results into the process to help ensure the initiative’s successful implementation.

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Final Agenda

- 15:00 – 15:10 Opening remarks by **MEP Norbert Lins**
- 15:10 – 15:20 Introduction by **EGU President Alberto Montanari**: Launch of EGU publication on “Geosciences and the Green Deal”
- 15:20 – 15:50 **Panel 1 on Biodiversity, chaired by EGU President Mr. Montanari**
 - **MEP Norbert Lins**
 - **Roby Biwer**, Member of the European Committee of the Regions and of Bettembourg Municipal Council
 - **Luc Bas**, Director, European Regional Office, IUCN
 - **Iris Moeller**, Professor of Geography, Trinity College Dublin
- 15:50 – 16:05 **Discussion with the audience, moderated by EGU President**
- 16:05 – 16:25 **Panel 2 on Pollution, chaired by EGU Vice-President Ms. Helen Glaves**
 - **MEP Mohammed Chahim**
 - **Anna Papagrigraki**, Sustainability Director, Confederation of European Paper Industries
 - **Erik van Sebille**, Associate Professor in oceanography and climate change at the Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research, Department of Physics, Utrecht University, Netherlands
- 16:25 – 16:40 Discussion with the audience, moderated by **EGU Vice-President Ms. Helen Glaves**
- 16:40 – 16:50 Reaction from **MEP Stelios Kypouropoulos**
- 16:50 – 17:00 Closing remarks by **MEP Norbert Lins**