What is the European Green Deal?

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

What will we do?

Transport represents 25% of our emissions.

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

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

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