



Managing the transition to net zero: EU climate policy in a global context

Policy & Research Dialogue Conference 9-10 July 2024, VUB U-residence, Brussels (hybrid)

The transition to climate neutrality needs to become a central objective for policy-making globally if the objectives of the Paris Agreement are yet to be met. Targets and policies to achieve it have been advanced and accelerated in the EU and other countries over the past years, but further acceleration is necessary. The first Global Stocktake under the Paris Agreement highlighted the need for urgent action “in this critical decade”. All Parties to the Agreement are now required to submit new or enhanced nationally determined contributions (NDCs) by 2025. In the EU, the next legislative cycle needs to take crucial decisions on how to move EU policy forward in this context.

This conference, taking place a month after the European elections, seeks to spotlight key issues in the transition to climate neutrality in the EU, in other major emitters, and globally – and discuss options to address them. The conversations among policy-makers and other stakeholders will be kicked-off by content inputs from two EU-funded research projects, 4i-TRACTION and NDC ASPECTS, that have been working over the past three years to generate new insights on climate action challenges in Europe and globally.

Join us in Brussels for this Policy & Research Dialogue Conference on the 9th (13:00 – 18:00) and 10th July 2024 (9:00 – 16:00). Kindly register in advance at <https://www.forms.ecologic.eu/ndc-4i-traction>.

In-person participants are invited to a light lunch before the start of the conference and a **reception** at the end of the first day, as well as lunch on the second day. Remote participation will also be available.

The programme (see preliminary agenda on the next page) is split into two subthemes

- **Day 1: EU policy focus** – investments, infrastructure, and international integration
- **Day 2: Global policy focus** – hard to abate sectors, action by major emitters, cooperation

You can find the conference agenda [here](#).



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