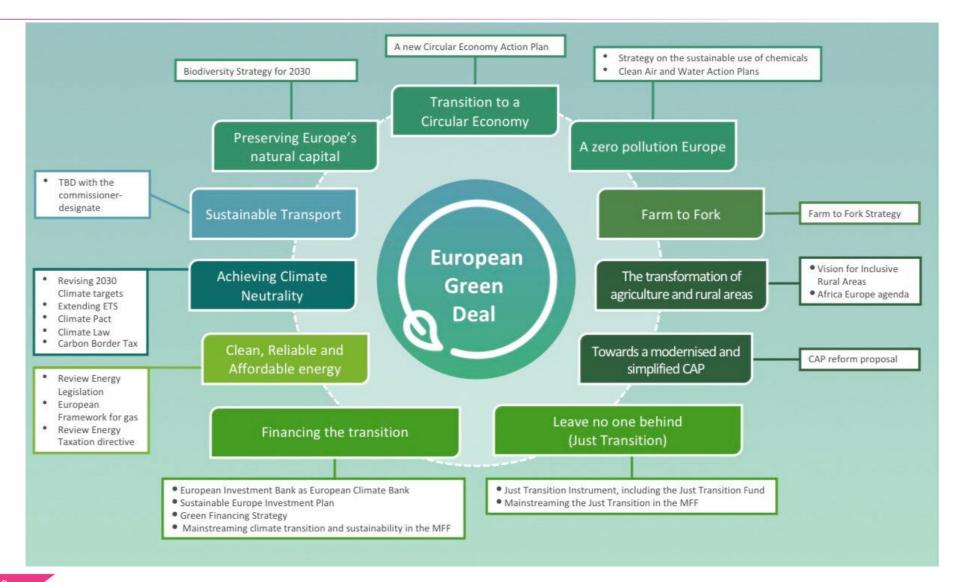


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Transition to a Circular Economy

The change towards a circular economy is not only a wise move for well-being and competitiveness, but also essential for a sustainable future.

The circular economy provides solutions to the biggest challenges we are facing – overconsumption of natural resources, climate change and biodiversity loss.



A circular economy road map is a tool for change: it helps define the required steps and compiles key stakeholders' views on the essential changes and actions required for the circular transformation. It is a document that includes a vision as well as goals and tangible actions that will accelerate transition towards a circular economy.

Benefits of a circular economy road map

- Creates a shared mindset about a path towards a sustainable future
- Offers a way to engage key stakeholders
- Builds a path from plans to action, with clear ownership
- Paves the way for resilience and a more sustainable economy
- Helps achieve the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals
- Provides a tool for achieving climate targets
- Inspires others to become involved in the transition

The circular economy road map process in a nutshell

- 1. Groundwork and preconditions
- 2. Stakeholders and participation
- 3. The situational picture
- 4. Vision and goals
- 5. Focus areas
- 6. Planning the actions
- 7. Compile and publish
- 8. Execution and implementation
- 9. Evaluation and revision



Create an inspiring vision for the road map as well as set specific and measurable goals

Create a narrative for the desired future. You can use the following kinds of questions to stimulate thought:

- What will the circular economy look like in the future?
- What does the transition from the current linear economy to a circular economy require?
- What do we want to achieve with the circular economy?
- What kind of strategic goals would support the vision?



How to create a national circular economy road map

A guide to making the change happen

https://www.sitra.fi/en/publications/how-to-create-a-national-circular-economy-road-map/

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