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Matthias Duwe is Head, Climate at Ecologic Institute. He coordinates the institute's climate policy related work strands. His work focuses primarily on the European Union's (EU) energy and climate policies, including their connections to national policy, as well as the international regime. He has more than twenty years of experience in EU climate policy, working in Brussels and in Berlin for more than a decade each, and has developed a rich network of experts and policy-makers. He is an accomplished speaker and facilitator and works in both German and English.

At Ecologic Institute, Matthias serves as senior project leader and expert contributor to a variety of projects looking at EU climate policy and its national implementation, as well as [international climate diplomacy](#). Since 2016, his primary focus has been on various elements of transformative [climate governance](#), involving [framework climate laws](#), [long-term climate strategies](#), [national energy and climate plans](#) and [advisory bodies](#) – but also [progress monitoring](#) systems and [policy mainstreaming](#). He has presented his analyses to decision-makers across Europe.

Beyond that, Matthias also teaches his research topics regularly, for example as part of the Institute's involvement in "[Duke in Berlin](#)" or through individual training courses. Matthias also engages in discussions on the role of civil society in climate policy and its decision-making processes.

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Prior to joining Ecologic Institute, Matthias Duwe worked with [Climate Action Network Europe](#) (CAN Europe), a leading NGO umbrella organization, from 2001 to 2011 – originally serving as Policy Researcher, then taking on the role of Director from 2005, where he led a team of ten in the Brussels Secretariat. During his time in Brussels, Matthias Duwe participated actively in a variety of key political processes, including the [European Climate Change Programme](#) (ECCP) and the development of the Climate and Energy Package – with a focus on the EU Emissions Trading System (ETS). He also served as an expert on an array of EU working groups, covering topics such as alternative fuels,

hydrogen technologies and carbon capture and storage. In addition, Matthias Duwe spent six years on the Board of Directors of [Climate Action Network International](#) (CAN International).

Matthias Duwe is a social scientist by training, having studied at Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg (Germany) with a focus on Environmental Politics and Planning. He was also awarded a Master of Sciences from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) at the University of London in 2000.

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## Selected projects by Matthias Duwe

### [EU Climate Policy in the Medium-term \(2030\) and Long-term \(2050+\)](#)

#### Duration

Aug 2019 - Dec 2022

#### Funding

[Oeko-Institut](#) (Äko-Institut e.V.), Germany

### [Dialogue on Pathways and Policies for a Climate-neutral EU \(Climate Recon 2050\)](#)

#### Duration

Oct 2020 - Dec 2022

#### Funding

[Federal Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety](#) (BMU), Germany  
[European Climate Foundation](#) (ECF), International

### [Transformative Policies for a Climate-neutral European Union \(4i-TRACTION\)](#)

#### Duration

Jun 2021 - May 2024

#### Funding

European Commission, [Directorate-General Research & Innovation](#) (DG Research & Innovation), International

## **Accelerating Global Climate Action before 2030**

### **Duration**

Nov 2019 - Nov 2021

### **Funding**

[German Environment Agency](#) (UBA), Germany

## **The EU Long-term Strategy – the implications of striving for net-zero emissions**

### **Duration**

Sep 2018 - Jul 2020

### **Funding**

[German Environment Agency](#) (UBA), Germany

## **Selected publications by Matthias Duwe**

Duwe, Matthias 2022: Making EU climate governance fit for net zero. An analysis of the current landscape of relevant EU climate policy processes and recommendations for alignment with the climate neutrality objective. Scientific opinion paper. Dessau-Roßlau: Federal Environment Agency.

Velten, Eike Karola, Duwe, Matthias, Evans, Nick (2022): Charting a path to net zero: An assessment of national long-term strategies in the EU. Summary. Ecologic Institute, Berlin.

Haase, Isabel; Duwe, Matthias (2022): Long-term strategies in a G20 context. Ecologic Institute, Berlin.

Duwe, Matthias; Eike Karola Velten, Isabel Haase, Nicolas Berghmans, Nick Evans and Deyana Spasova (2021): Measuring progress towards climate neutrality. Ecologic Institute, Berlin / IDDRI, Paris

Duwe, Matthias and Evans, Nicholas (2020): Climate Laws in Europe: Good Practices in Net-Zero Management. Berlin, Den Haag.

Evans, Nick; Matthias Duwe (2021): 'Climate governance systems in Europe: the role of national advisory bodies'. Ecologic Institute, Berlin; IDDRI, Paris.

Matthias Duwe and Ewa Iwaszuk, Ecologic Institute. 2019. "LTS in Europe: Experience from National and EUwide 2050 Climate Planning."

Duwe, Matthias 2018: Result Oriented Spending for the Climate: Creating strong connections between the EU budget and National Energy and Climate Plans. Berlin: Ecologic Institute.

Gärlach, Benjamin; Matthias Duwe and Nick Evans 2016: Frameworks for Regional Co-operation: The EU. In: Robert E. Looney (ed.): Handbook of Transitions to Energy and Climate Security. Routledge: New York. 79-96.

Duwe, Matthias 2018: Bringing Paris into the future MFF: how to maximise the benefits of EU funding for the achievement of EU climate objectives. Integrating the 2021-2027 MFF and the new 2030 energy and climate target governance. Ecologic Institute: Berlin.

Duwe, M. & Evans, N. (2021). Professionalizing Climate Policy via Legislation: Good Practices in Long-Term National Climate Framework Laws. Policy Paper Series "Shaping the Transition to a Low-Carbon Economy: Perspectives from Israel and Germany". Israel Public Policy Institute and Heinrich Böll Foundation Tel Aviv.

Gores, S., Fallasch, F., Siemons, A., Duwe, M., Evans, N. 2020: Turning Points for the Ambition of European Climate Targets. Getting granular on the process and identifying cornerstones for discussion, Studie im Auftrag des Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Naturschutz und nukleare Sicherheit, Berlin: Büro Institut and Ecologic Institute.

Duwe et al. (2017) "Paris compatible" governance: long-term policy frameworks to drive transformational change. Ecologic Institute. Berlin.

Duwe, Matthias; Eike Karola Velten, Nick Evans, Mona Freundt, Julien Pestiaux, Benoît Martin, Pascal Vermeulen (2019): Planning for net-zero: Assessing the Draft National Energy and Climate Plans. Berlin, Louvain-la-Neuve, Brussels.

Duwe, Matthias; Ostwald, Robert (2017): The Innovation Fund: how can it support low-carbon industry in Europe: Design recommendations for the successor instrument to the NER 300 in Phase 4 of the EU ETS. Ecologic Institute, Berlin.

Federal Environment Agency (2018). Fact Sheet: EU 2050 strategic vision "A Clean Planet for All". Brief Summary of the European Commission proposal. Berlin: 10 December 2018.

Bodle, Ralph, Lena Donat and Matthias Duwe (2016). The Paris Agreement: Analysis, Assessment and Outlook. German Federal Environment Agency (UBA) Research Paper. Dessau-Roßlau: Umweltbundesamt.

## **Selected events by Matthias Duwe**

**Conference:** [Charting a Path Towards EU Climate Neutrality in Turbulent Times](#)

**Date**

30 November 2022

**Location**

Brussels, Belgium

**Digital Event:** [Resilient Pathways to Climate Neutrality](#)

**Date**

10 November 2022

**Location**

online

**Digital Event:** [Measuring Progress towards Climate Neutrality](#)

**Date**

24 June 2021

**Location**

online

**Digital Event:** [A Climate Neutral Europe by 2050](#)

**Date**

26 March 2021

**Location**

online

**Digital Event:** [The EU Climate Law: Holding the EU Accountable for Delivering on the Paris Agreement](#)

**Date**

19 March 2020

**Location**

online

## **Selected presentations by Matthias Duwe**

**Speech:**[Professionalizing Climate Policy](#)

**Date**

7 December 2020

**Location**

online

**Speech:**["Paris Compatible" Governance: insights from climate law case studies](#)

**Date**

4 December 2017

**Location**

Madrid, Spain

**Speech:**[How to Integrate European Lessons Learned on Climate Laws in the Slovenian Context?](#)

**Date**

5 March 2020

**Location**

online, Slovenia

**Chairing:**[Climate Protection and Artificial Intelligence – How can AI help us reach the Paris Agreement?](#)

**Date**

25 September 2019

**Location**

Berlin, Germany

**Chairing:**[Preparing the European Energy System for the Impacts of Climate Change](https://www.ecologic.eu/4081)

**Date**

18 June 2019

**Location**

Brussels, Belgium

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