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30 recommendations for a more sustainable Europe by 2030

Heat waves, droughts, floods - Europe was not spared from extreme weather events in 2018. To ensure that Europeans can still live a prosperous, healthy life in on a peaceful continent in the year 2030, the EU must take urgent measures to reduce resource consumption and pollution. The newly established Think2030 platform, of which Ecologic Institute is a member, has gathered 30 policy recommendations to this end - they are available for download.

The recommendations point out that Europe needs a fast, collective redirection and a new, coherent strategy to address worsening environmental issues including species extinction and climate change. The European elections in 2019 and the appointment of a new European Commission offer the opportunity to establish a sustainable vision for the European Union based on prosperity, peace, security and environmental protection. The "Think2030" initiative aims to help seize this opportunity: as a group of research

institutions and civil society organisations brought together by Ecologic Institute's sister think-tank IEEP, it offers 30 actions that policy makers can implement to create a sustainable Europe. These are based on a series of separate thematic analyses.

Ecologic Institute provides support to the initiative as a whole, and participated in its launch conference. Individual colleagues commented on the analyses as reviewers. Climate policy expert [Matthias Duwe](#) [2] produced a paper on EU climate change mitigation policy through 2050 together with [Lola Vallejo](#) [3], head of the climate department at the French research institute IDDRI.

Check out the following Think2030 materials:

- [Summary of the report](#) [4] [pdf, 700 kB, English], the synthesis paper and the [report package](#) [5] on all [30 policy recommendations](#) [6].
- Background information on [European decision-making timetables](#) [7], [sustainable consumption](#) [8] and [European environmental policy](#) [9]
- Infographics "[Reaching sustainable consumption in Europe by 2050](#)" [10], "[Moving forward: framing the post-2020 European agenda](#)" [11] and "[Living a "good life" - how are European countries performing?](#)" [12] illustrate the complex issues and political solutions.

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Download: #Think2030 Action Plan 30x30 Actions for a Sustainable Europe [pdf, 1.5 MB, English]

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