

ETS reform: How can national NGOs help?

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Yes you are right, the ETS is not working....

- Weak reduction targets,
- Excessive use of international offset,
- Economic crisis
- Two previous attempts to fix the ETS, the <u>back-loading decision</u> and the <u>Market Stability Reserve</u> are insufficient.
- →Huge surplus of 2.5 4.5 billion pollution permits by the end of 2020.
- →Carbon price languishes at €5. Far too low to drive rapid decarbonization!!



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But it is not the policy tool that has failed but the **lack of political ambition**. Other policies also fail when there is not enough ambition/ no political willingness:

- Non-ETS 2020 targets (Effort Sharing Decision) are equally weak and a huge surplus of emissions permits is also accumulating there.
- Weak emissions standards
- Weak non-binding national renewable energy targets
- Weak non-binding efficiency targets
- EU-wide carbon tax a no-go



What are we fighting for?

CAN Europe Position on Essential ETS Reforms for post-2020

Increasing ambition

- Reset the starting point of the ETS cap in 2021.
- Faster annual reductions (the Linear Reduction Factor).
- Review of the cap in keeping with Paris agreement.
- Cancellation of allowances.
- Temporary reductions in supply.

Minimising handouts to industry (ensuring polluter pays)

- Limiting the maximum number of free allowances available.
- Stricter criteria for awarding carbon leakage protections.
- Strong "best performer" benchmarks.

Financing Climate Action and Energy Modernisation via the ETS

- Maximising the ETS revenues dedicated to climate action in the EU and abroad.
- Ensuring that ETS funds are not used to subsidise coal-fired power stations.

Capturing emissions that have not yet been accounted for

• Expanding the scope of ETS to capture international aviation and maritime emissions.



What is needed: ambition, ambition, ambition, ambition, ambition, ambition, ambition

What matters to the climate are the cumulative emissions that are emitted into the atmosphere. The Paris Agreement calls on all countries to reduce emissions to keep temperature rise well below 2°C and pursue efforts to limit it to 1.5°C. The global emission budget we have left <u>is very small</u>.

We need to reduce the 2021-2030 carbon budget in the ETS!

- 1. Cancelling the surplus!
- 2. Raising the 2030 Target / Raising the Linear Reduction Factor!
- **3. Ensuring ETS Starting Point in 2020 is at actual emissions!**
- 4. Including a review clause that ensures strengthening the ETS target in line with Paris review process!



ETS Emissions Budget



Surplus from 3rd trading period. This surplus can be avoided if it is cancelled instead of brought into the 4th tarding period.



Surplus from starting at 2020 target. This new surplus can be avoided by lowering the 2021 starting point to actual emissions.



Emissions budget 4th trading period starting at 2020 target with carry over surplus. This is the huge emissions budget we'd get if the current Commission Proposal was passed



Overview of the ETS reform: What has happened

15th July 2015: Commission published draft legislation

- 2.2% Linear Reduction Factor (to deliver ETS share of 40% target)
- Complex but slightly stricter carbon leakage rules

12th July 2016: DEVE committee votes on draft opinion

- Linear reduction factor improved to 2.8% (zero by 2050).
- All auction revenues go to climate action (50% to international climate finance)

13th October 2016: ITRE committee votes on draft opinion

- Cancellation of 300 million allowances
- Review of cap in light of UNFCCC global stocktake and overlapping policy
- Option for Member States to cancel allowances to reflect national action



Overview of the ETS reform: What will happen

Timeline

- 13.10.2016 vote in the ITRE Committee
- 8.12.2016 vote in the ENVI Committee
- 19.12.2016 Environment Council (Slovak presidency aims to form Council position by this stage)
- February 2017: European Parliament ETS plenary vote, followed by trialogue
- Second half of 2017 or 2018: finalizing ETS file likely together with non-ETS files: Effort Sharing Regulation and LULUCF legislation

Presidencies

2016: Netherlands, Slovakia2017: Malta, Estonia (no UK presidency!)2018: Bulgaria, Austria



Political process: Strategic Consideration

- Commission Proposal is too weak. If passed the ETS will remain ineffective (oversupplied) until 2030.
- Member States have been unwilling to discuss the main reforms needed.

→ Getting a strong ENVI report will be critical. It will force the Member States take a position on each proposed amendment.



Lobby for a strong ETS!

On **December 8th MEPs** from the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI) will vote on their official opinion on how to reform the ETS.

→ Contact your MEPs to push for ambitious amendments
→ Tweet, raise media awareness (Op-eds, actions, ect)
→ Sign petition: https://act.wemove.eu/campaigns/ETS

On **December 19th the** Environment Council will meet. The Slovak presidency aims to form Council position by this stage.

→ Meet with representatives of the Environment Ministry and write a letter to your Environment Minister



CAN Europe support for your lobbying ENVI

- A draft letter to MEPs which you can use to send to your MEPs, please translate and amend to your national circumstances
- List of main ENVI MEPs to target and their contact details
- Communications Package
- Policy brief with voting recommendations on ENVI amendments on raising ambition.
- Policy brief on the ETS starting point.
- Draft letter to Environment Minister



CAN Europe Resources

EU citizens pick up climate polluters' bill We pay **12x more** than polluters

Factories and power stations pay only €5 for every tonne of CO, they emit



The EU's carbon market, created to make polluters pay for their climate pollution, is broken

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The same tonne of CO, COStS EU citizens €60* im+ 信前的 We all pay for the human and ecological damage caused by burning fossil fuels.

Calculated by dividing the total cost of carbon in the EU in 2013 (E214bn according to the IMF) by the amount of CO, emissions from fossil fuel use (3.6bn tonnes \mathfrak{S} It is time to make polluters pay!

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http://www.caneurope.org/climate/emissions-trading-scheme

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CAN EUROPE'S POSITION ON THE

POST-2020 ETS REFORM

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Sandbag.org.uk/reports/all/

Main Sandbag's reports: <u>Getting In Touch With Reality</u> (Jun 2016) <u>Stabilising the Market Stability Reserve</u> (Jun 2016) <u>Dispelling the waterbed myth</u> (Oct 2016)

Sandbag's main papers on the industry <u>The Last Chance Saloon for the ETS</u> <u>The interactive EU ETS dashboard</u> <u>Cement Exposed: New data from EU cement sector</u> <u>shows no fall in CO2 emissions</u>

Member states specific briefings: <u>Germany and the EU ETS: Industrial leaders</u> <u>champion a strong EU climate law</u> (Sep 2016) <u>Why does the Carbon Price Support matter?</u> (Sep 2016) Sandbag's briefings for the CEE Member States audience

Sharing the Burden (Mar) 2016 A Chance for Responsible Development: Financing the new Polish economic roadmap to 2030 (Oct 2016) A tighter cap grows the funds (Nov 2016)



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Carbon Market Watch



On increasing the environmental integrity of the EU ETS here



Stopping industry handouts



On industry windfall profits here

Carbon Market Watch Industry windfall profits from Europe's carbon market





factsheets:

Germany

France

The UK

Sweden



Innovation Report here **Carbon leakage** Decarbonising Europe's energy intensive industries **The Final Frontier The Netherlands**

Low-carbon transition of energy intensive industries here





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