

The CRCF trilogues and the Industrial Carbon Management strategy: where are we headed?

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Speakers are being confirmed

Date: 8 February 2024

Time: 14:30 – 17:30 (CET)

Location: In person for Belgium (ERCST Offices – Rue Archimède 61, 1000 Bruxelles); online for other countries.

In 2023, the policy framework related to CCUS and carbon removal technologies gained considerable momentum in the European Union thanks to the new legislative proposals developed by the European Commission, such as the Certification Framework for Carbon Removals (CRCF) and the announcement of an 'Industrial Carbon Management' strategy, alongside other pieces of legislation.

In 2024, important developments in these two files are expected, as the ordinary procedure related to the CRCF should come to an end and the Industrial Carbon Management strategy will be published. The roundtable will discuss key developments on the two proposals and provide an opportunity to exchange views on how it addresses concerns from stakeholders.

14:30 – 14:40

Welcome & introduction

- [REDACTED] ERCST

14:40 – 14:55

ERCST inputs on the trilogues related to the CRCF

- [REDACTED], ERCST

14:55 – 15:25

Roundtable discussion on the trilogues related to the CRCF

In November 2022, the Commission proposed a Regulation for the Certification Framework for Carbon Removals (CRCF) to set out a voluntary EU-wide framework to certify three types of carbon removals in Europe. It provides a general framework only, while methodologies will be developed through delegated acts with the help of an expert group. As trilogues have started, negotiations are ongoing, and a decision on the proposal is expected before the start of the next political cycle.

This roundtable aims to discuss and analyse the positions of the three institutions on the CRCF proposal and provide a forum of discussion to foreseen how the final proposal will look like.

- [REDACTED] DG CLIMA
- Representative of the Belgian Federal Public Service Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment
- [REDACTED] Climate Principles
- [REDACTED] Carbon gap
- [REDACTED] ArcelorMittal

15:25 – 15:50 **Open discussion**

15:50 – 16:05 **ERCST inputs on the Industrial Carbon Management strategy**

- [REDACTED] ERCST

16:05 – 16:45 **Roundtable discussion on the Industrial Carbon Management strategy**

During the 2022 CCUS Forum, the Commission announced the intention to prepare a strategy for developing and deploying CCUS and carbon removal methods. In this regard, the Commission has collected inputs from the public on views and opinions on various CCS, CCU and Industrial Carbon Removals-related issues, including specific policy recommendations during last summer.

As the publication of the Industrial Carbon Management strategy is expected on February 6, this roundtable aims to examine the strategy in its elements and implication to stakeholders.

- DG ENER
- [REDACTED], Cembureau
- [REDACTED] Edison
- [REDACTED] Global CCS Institute

16:45 – 17:20 **Open discussion**

17:20 – 17:30 **Closing remarks**