



Make Europe the World Leader of Sustainable Development: A Unique Opportunity to Build a Stronger European Union

Brussels – 25th February 2019.

“Which alliances to transform Europe on the basis of Agenda 2030?”

74 Rue de Trèves, Room TRE 7701 (7th Floor) Brussels

This event is an initiative of the EESC and Europe Ambition 2030

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14:00 – 15:45 Session 1: The new Commission

After the release of the European Commission Reflection Paper '*Towards a Sustainable Europe by 2030*', the European Parliament 2019 elections and nomination of a new Commission will be crucial moments for the future course of the EU.

Europe needs a new project based on three pillars: a new social contract in a safe operating space for humanity (Agenda 2030), citizens' rights (Charter of Fundamental Rights) and rule of law (EU Treaties).

Which alliance is needed to ensure that the new Commission college is fully dedicated to such agenda?

Which steps should be taken prior to and after the European Parliament elections?

Representatives of political parties and civil society are invited to address together these questions at the 25th February workshop in Brussels.

16:00 – 17:00 Session 2: Inclusiveness and Enhanced Partnerships

This session will prepare several events organized during the first half of 2019:

- **April 16th, 2019, Bucharest.** Romania EU Presidency. *Implementation of the Agenda 2030*, by the European Union Member States, Eastern Partnership countries, Western Balkans countries, Central Asia countries.
- **May 21st, 2019, Rome.** Opening of the Italian Festival on Sustainable Development. European Conference. Second Conference on SDGs, climate and the future of Europe. '*A Leap Forward*'
- **June 2019. London.** Fourth Conference on Value based Investors and the SDGs '*A Financial Spring for People and Planet*' including, in particular initiatives dedicated to Millennials and blockchain for inclusive and sustainable finance.

