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By highlighting the enormity of the challenge to decarbonize our economy and tackle our environmental crisis, COVID-19 has focused attention on the **urgent need for a green recovery**. Unprecedented EU funding will fuel it, while a new 2030 emissions target and the European Green Deal will take real and rapid changes to the way we live to achieve.

A recovery that reboots old technologies will not succeed. Companies, financial institutions, local governments and policymakers must truly transform. They must **#BuildForwardBetter** and urgently roll out clear transition plans for a **new, net zero emissions era**.

Join the conversation at the CDP Europe Awards 2021, as we gather the highest level business and political decision-makers to challenge them on their plans to lead a truly green recovery towards the EU's 2050 climate neutrality goal.

16:00 #BuildForwardBetter: the view from CDP

Euronews moderator Chris Burns opens the CDP Europe Awards with a conversation with **CDP** Europe Executive Director, Maxfield Weiss.

The art of the possible: Can Europe's highest impact companies really meet the net zero challenge?

Francesco Gattei, Chief Financial Officer, **Eni S.p.A**
Jan Jenisch, Chief Executive Officer, **LafargeHolcim Ltd**
Marianne Wiinholt, Chief Financial Officer, **Ørsted**

Since the Paris agreement, some of European highest-impact companies have made bold commitments to put their businesses on a 1.5 °C path. How likely are these to succeed? Can Europe's biggest cement manufacturer make emissions-free cement? What does it really take to turn these targets into transformation? What route can an oil and gas major take?

CDP EUROPE AWARDS: A LIST

Rethinking European cities: what will our urban spaces look like in 2030?

Anne Hidalgo, Mayor, **City of Paris**
Kostas Bakoyannis, Mayor, **City of Athens**
Minna Arve, **City of Turku**

Cities house 75% of Europeans and are the source of most emissions. On top of handling the pandemic, mayors face huge challenges to cut their impact and adapt to growing hazards. All while building prosperous and livable environments for citizens. How do you reshape an ancient city like Athens? What will Paris look like in 10 years?

CDP EUROPE AWARDS: CITIES A LIST, presented by Mirjam Wolfrum, Director Policy Engagement, CDP Europe

Natural capital: how do we price in the priceless?

Magdalena Wahlqvist Alveskog, Chief Executive Officer, **Handelsbanken Fonder**
Stefan Doboczky, Chief Executive Officer, **Lenzing AG**

Climate change, water security, and forests are interrelated environmental challenges. Companies that embed nature into their thinking, pursue circular models and account for the cost of these impacts are acting in the best interests of planet and profit - what are the keys to success?

CDP EUROPE AWARDS: DOUBLE A LIST

Responsible capitalism and the European Green Deal: are companies and investors up to the challenge?

Dr. Akshat Rathi, Reporter, **Bloomberg News**
Kalina Oroschakoff, Climate Correspondent, **Politico Europe**

Two expert European climate and environmental journalists share their thoughts on European net zero ambitions, EU climate policies, and how the new US administration's climate-focused agenda will impact the EU.

Launch of *Running Hot: Accelerating Europe's path to Paris* - the CDP Europe Report

Presented by James Davis, Partner, Financial Services and Head of Sustainable Finance Europe, **Oliver Wyman**

How far away is a climate neutral financial system?

Carine Smith Ihenacho, Chief Governance and Compliance Officer, **Norges Bank Investment Management**
Nicolas Calcoen, President, **The European Fund and Asset Management Association**

Nearly all European banks and many of the largest investors now want to be Paris-aligned or have net-zero portfolios. But will we get there? Is the market ready - and the regulation in place? Are financial institutions walking the walk?

CDP EUROPE AWARDS: CLIMETRICS FUND AWARDS, presented by Laurent Babikian, Director Capital Markets, CDP Europe

Turning EU ambition into action: what will the transformation into a climate-neutral continent take?

Ambroise Fayolle, Vice-President, **European Investment Bank**
Mairead McGuinness, **European Commissioner** for Financial Stability, Financial Services and the Capital Markets Union

The world needs a pandemic-sized drop in emissions every year. This reality shows that a wholesale transformation of Europe's economy, society and financial system is needed. The European Commission's finance chief and climate bank, speaking here, will be critical for catalyzing and keeping the green recovery on track. What are their priorities? How will they make sure investment stays in line with the Paris agreement?

CDP EUROPE AWARDS: TRIPLE A LIST

18:00 Video address from Dr. Angela Merkel, Chancellor of Germany

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