

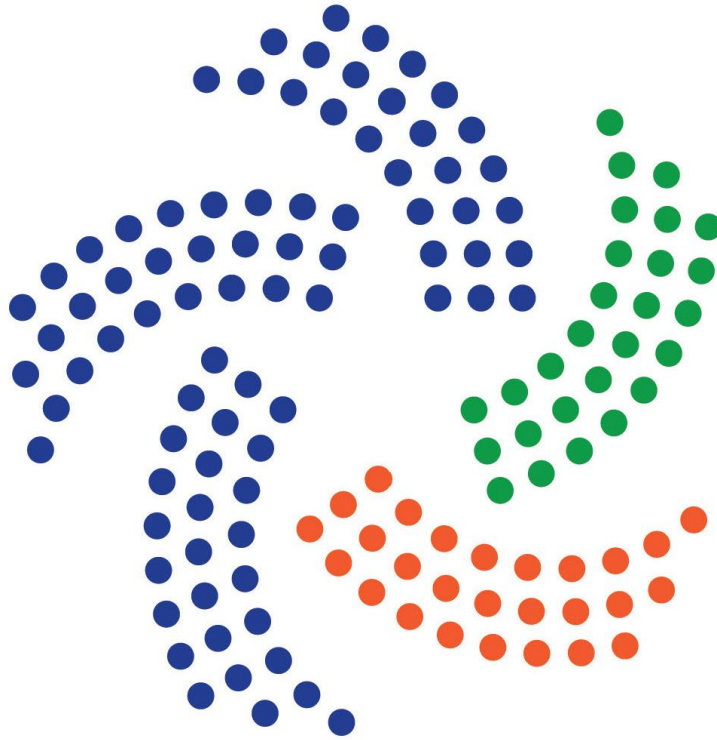
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Chomhairle an Aontais Eorpaigh 2026

Irish Presidency of the Council of the European Union 2026

1 July – 31 December 2026



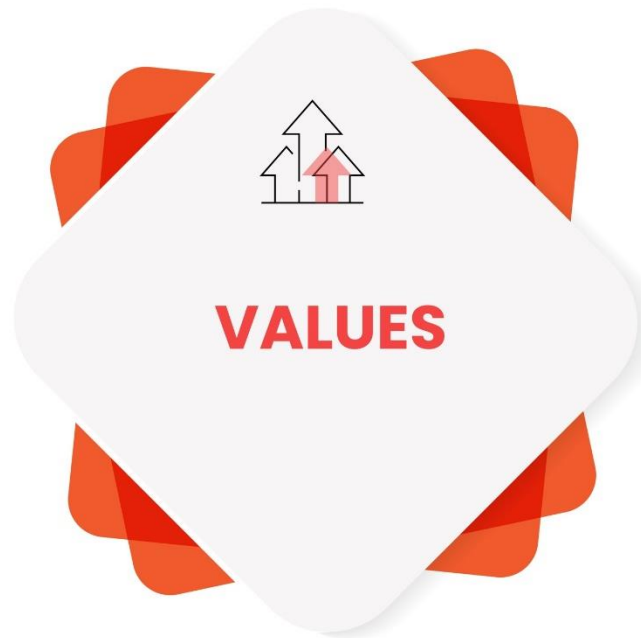
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Strength with unity

Presidency Priorities





Environment Council

A whole-of-society effort to create a **climate neutral, sustainable and resource-efficient** economy.



Legislative Proposals

Climate

- Review of ETS1 Directive
- Climate Resilience and Risk Management Integrated Framework
- CO2 Emission Standards for Cars and Vans
- Post-2030 Framework

Environment

- Circular Economy Act
- Water Framework Directive
- European Ocean Act



Non-Legislative Proposals

Council Conclusions

- Conclusions on UN Biodiversity Conference
- Conclusions on preparations for UNFCCC COP31

Reports

- Reports on main recent international meetings
- 2026 Annual progress report on simplification, implementation and enforcement



International Negotiations

- Strategic planning and considered engagement
- EU as an ambitious, pragmatic and constructive leader

Environment Council Calendar





High-Level Events

International Events

- **Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) on Plastic Pollution;**
Informal Meetings of Heads of Delegations, Nairobi, 1-3 July
- **UN Convention to Combat Desertification COP17,**
Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, 17-28 August
- **Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC) on Plastic Pollution;**
Informal Meetings of Heads of Delegations, Bangkok, 26-30 September
- **UN Convention on Biological Diversity COP17,**
Yerevan, Armenia, 19-30 October



High-Level Events

International Events

- **12th COP MOP to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety**, Yerevan, Armenia, 19-30 October
- **38th MOP to the Montreal Protocol**, Kigali, Rwanda, 2-6 November
- **UNFCCC COP31**, Antalya, Türkiye, 9 – 20 November
- **Global Framework on Chemicals 1st International Conference**, Geneva, Switzerland, 16-20 November
- **UN Water Conference**, Abu Dhabi, 2-4 December



High-Level Events

Domestic Events

- **Global Bioeconomy Summit,**
20-21 October 2026, Dublin.
- **Annual Forum of the EU Mission on Climate Adaptation,**
24 November 2026, Dublin Royal Convention Centre.

Go raibh maith agaibh
Thank you