

After the Energy Union, the European Green Deal

From the third energy package to the holistic approach of energy to
fight climate change

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Climate change: a defining political challenge for the EU

Climate now a political priority for EU citizens.
(same level as migration)

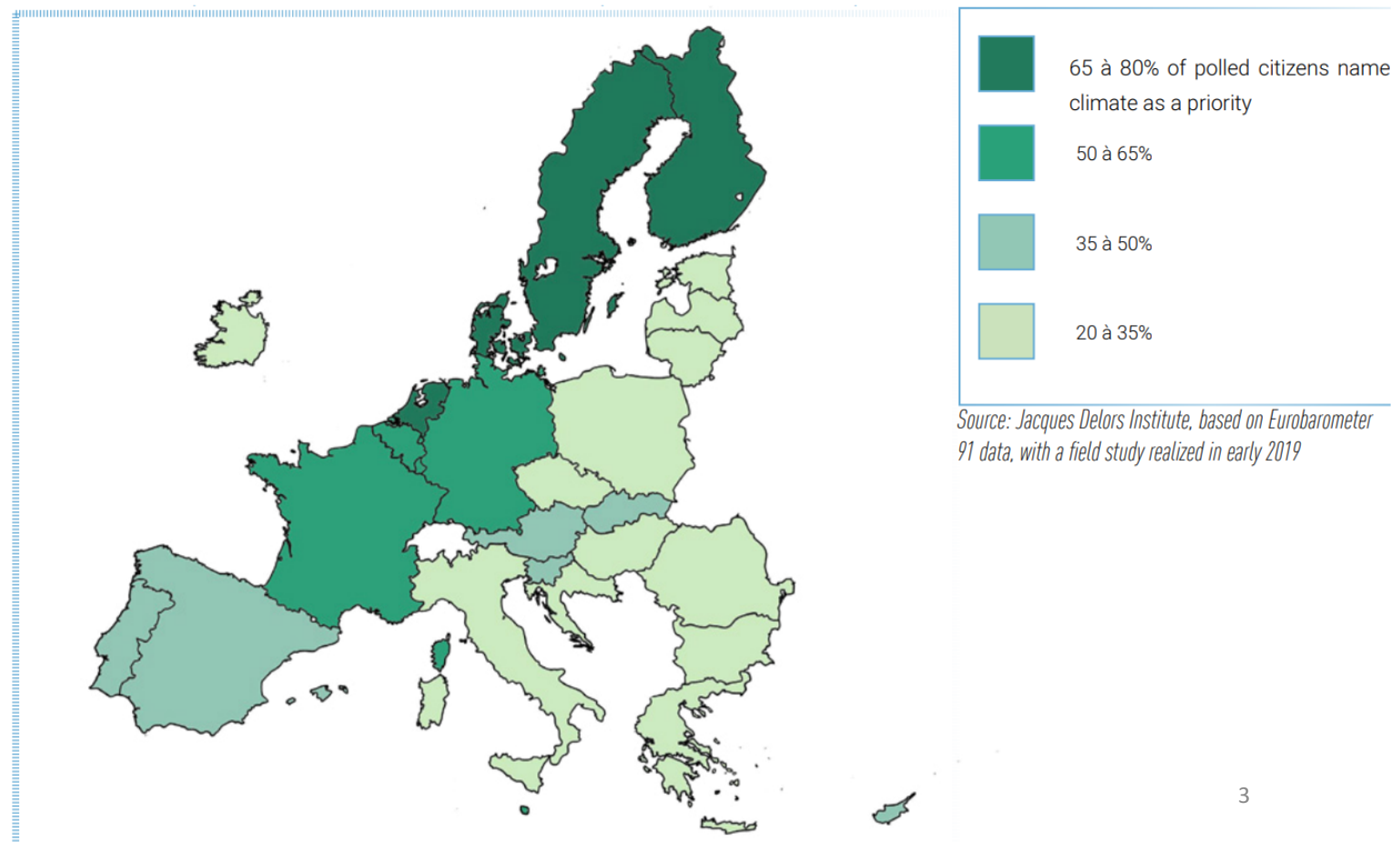
FIGURE 1 ■ Which following themes should be discussed as a matter of priority during the electoral campaign for the next European Parliament elections ? Firstly ? And Then ? (Max 6 answers) (% -EU)



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More concerns
for climate
in the **north** than
south and **east** of
the EU

FIGURE 2 ■ Percentage of EU citizens who consider that 'fighting climate change and protecting the environment' should be a top priority during the EU elections (max. 6 answers)

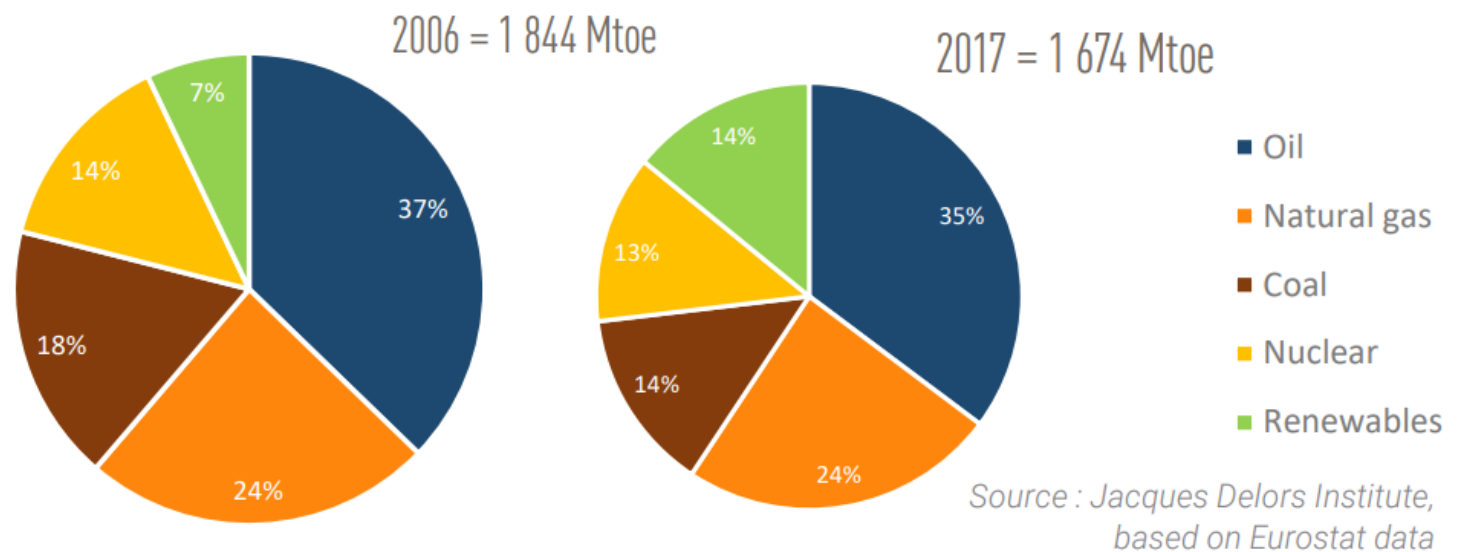


EU energy mix getting cleaner – but too slowly

FIGURE 3 ■ Evolution of the eu primary energy mix

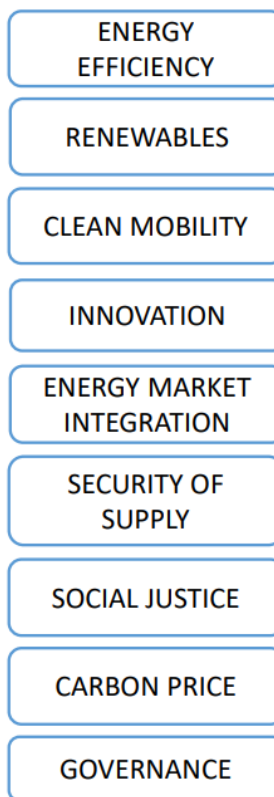
ENERGY DEMAND
DECREASES IN EUROPE
THE ENERGY MIX IS SLOWLY
GETTING CLEANER

In 11 years, energy demand
was reduced by 10% and
renewables doubled



In 10 years, the EU created a comprehensive energy policy

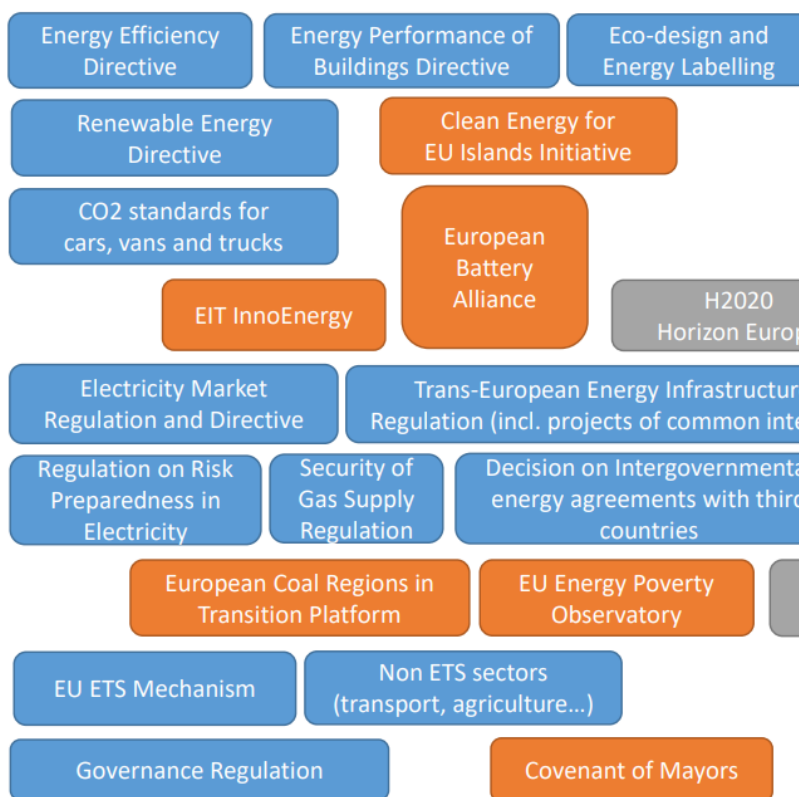
EU ENERGY POLICY Main Tools in 2019



National Energy and Climate Plans

State Aids and Competition rules

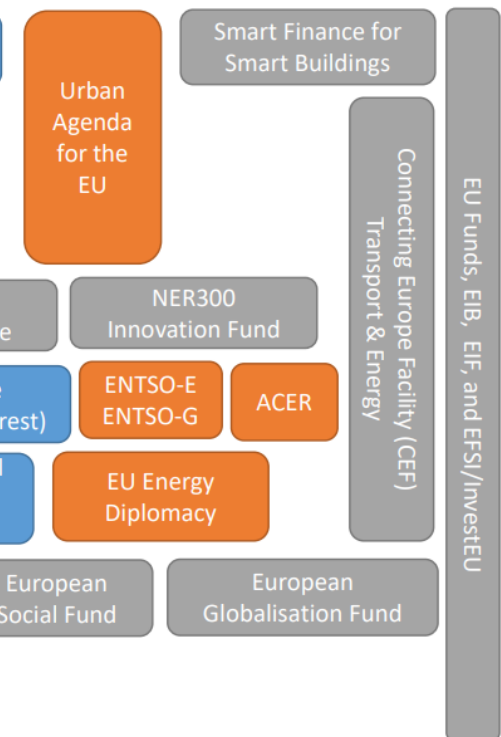
EU LEGISLATION



ENABLING TOOLS

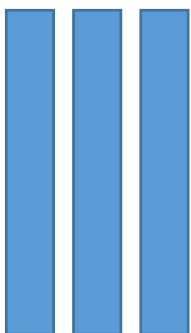
EU FINANCIAL SUPPORT

20% of the EU budget (2014-2020)
should contribute to climate objectives



Three key challenges

1. **Speed of the transition.** Current pace is too slow to fight climate change.
2. **International.** How to promote EU competitiveness and enable a global transition.
3. **Social.** Bad decisions can lead to social unrest (e.g. Gilets Jaunes).





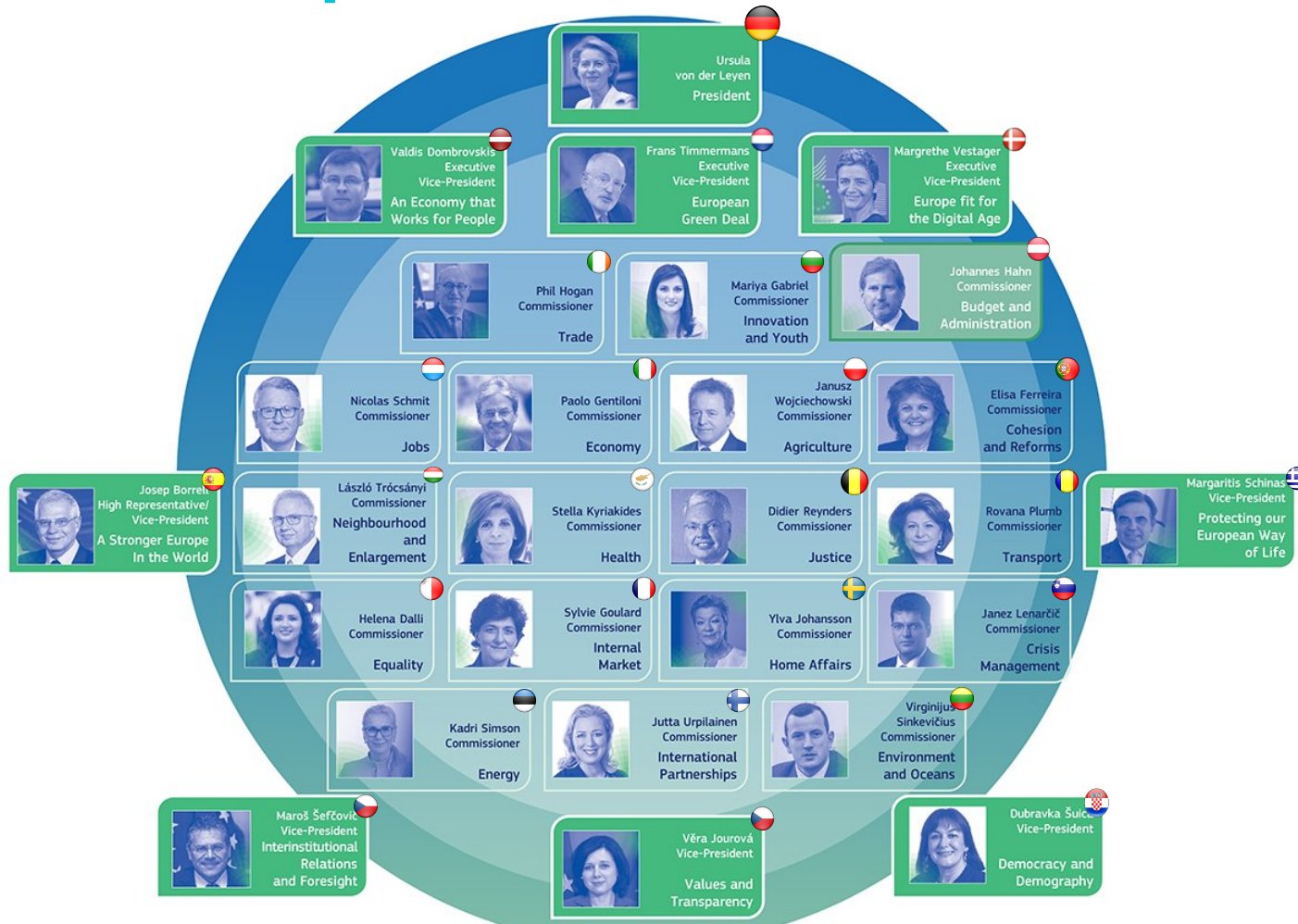
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Von der Leyen's new Commission

New Commission revealed

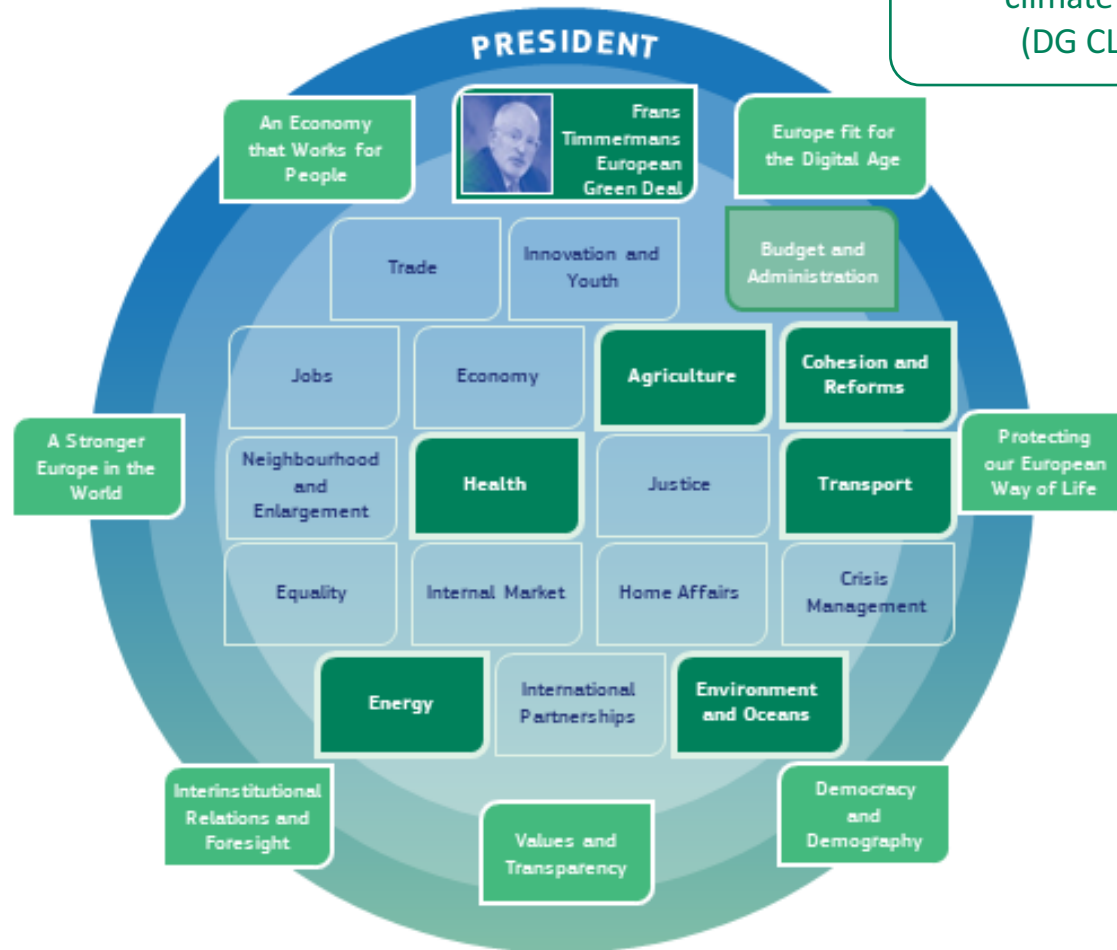
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The new Commission portfolios



Responsibilities falling under EVP Timmermans European Green Deal

+ direct oversight over
climate policy
(DG CLIMA)



List of **key deliverables** under the Green Deal

- ✓ European Climate Law to enshrine the 2050 climate-neutrality target into law
- ✓ Emission Trading System extension
- ✓ Carbon Border Tax
- ✓ Energy Taxation Directive review
- ✓ Industrial and Innovation Strategy with a dedicated SME strategy
- ✓ Just Transition Fund
- ✓ European Climate Pact
- ✓ Strategy for Green Financing
- ✓ Sustainable Europe Investment Plan (€1 trillion) and turning parts of the EIB into Europe's Climate Bank
- ✓ Increase the EU target for 2030 to 55% (based on social, economic and environmental Impact Assessments) and lead international negotiations to increase the level of ambition of other major emitters by 2021
- ✓ Biodiversity Strategy for 2030
- ✓ "Farm to Fork" Strategy
- ✓ Cross-cutting strategy to move towards a zero pollution ambition and protect citizens' health
- ✓ New Circular Economy Action Plan (textiles and construction) and Single Use Plastics Strategy
- ✓ Highest trade standards of climate, environmental and labour protection
- ✓ Comprehensive strategies on Africa and the neighbourhood
- ✓ Conference on the Future of Europe and a European Democracy Action Plan
- ✓ Refocus the European Semester into an instrument that integrates the SDGs
- ✓ Action Plan to fully implement the European Pillar of Social Rights

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