Momentum on Long-Term Climate Strategies: where are we in Europe?

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Essential context on long-term strategies

Part 1: Overview on state of play in the EU
  • Insights from ongoing research projects (Ecologic)

Part 2: Member State examples – strategy development and stakeholder participation
  • Eduardo Santos, Portuguese Environment Agency
  • Gwenaël Podesta, French Ministry for an Ecological and Solidary Transition
19. All Parties should strive to formulate and communicate long-term low greenhouse gas emission development strategies, mindful of Article 2 taking into account their common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, in the light of different national circumstances.

Decision text:
35. Invites Parties to communicate, by 2020, to the secretariat mid-century, long-term low greenhouse gas emission development strategies …
EU legislation: Regulation for the Governance of the Energy Union

CHAPTER 3
LONG-TERM STRATEGIES

Article 15
Long-term strategies

1. Each Member State shall prepare and submit to the Commission by 1 January 2020, and subsequently by 1 January 2029 and every 10 years thereafter, its long-term strategy with a perspective of at least 30 years. Member States should, where necessary, update those strategies every five years.
FUNCTION of long-term strategies

- **Direction**: signalling long-term course
- **Commitment**: establishing a decision for change
- **Awareness**: bring others on board
- **Exploration**: find out what is needed
- **Management platform**: organise the transition
CONTENT of long-term strategies

- **Targets** (long-term and interim)
- Possible **trajectories** (sometimes several)
- **Sector specific** pathways (incl. with targets)
- Next steps: **policies** and measures
- Follow-up processes (**governance**)
GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

DIVERSITY... in all aspects:

- Format and level of detail
- Development process
- Legal (and political) status
- Governance processes (follow-up)
- Long-term ambition
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PMP1: First meeting of the Policymaker Platform

The first meeting of the Climate Recon 2050’s Policymaker Platform took place in early April 2018 in Berlin and included representatives from more than 10 Member States.

Event Date:
10 April 2018
Event Location:
Berlin, Germany

SB48 Side Event: Long-Term Climate Strategies and Stakeholder Engagement

Article 4.19 of the Paris Agreement invites Parties to develop “long-term low greenhouse gas development strategies”, and their development will soon become a separate legal obligation in the EU.

Event Date:
05 May 2018
Event Location:
Room Berlin, Bonn, Germany

One page overview: National Long-Term Climate Strategies in the EU28

At the first meeting of the Policy-Maker Platform, the CR2050 partners launched the Long-Term Climate Strategies Matrix: a living document that aims to capture existing information on the ongoing processes of long-term climate strategy developments across the EU Member States.

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2018
Growing momentum for long-term frameworks
check out the 13 case studies #ImplementingParis

Figure 1. Differentiating governance frameworks and long-term decarbonization strategies

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