

High level event of the Spanish Presidency of the Council of the European Union on just transition

GOALS

- Discuss how the just transition is an essential and accelerating path for the reindustrialization of Europe, within a framework of climate neutrality by 2030 and the Paris Agreement.
- Advance in best practices so that the clean energy transition process does not leave anyone behind and advances in social justice.
- Sharing experiences and fostering an open dialogue on both issues to identify some recommendations for the future on the design, implementation and monitoring of the just transition in Europe.
- Promote and support the involvement of civil society to generate consensus for the green transition.
- Foster dialogue with other countries embarking on a path similar to that of the EU in terms of climate ambition and just transition.

Day 26

10:30h
11:00h

Institutional welcome

- **Maroš Šefčovič**, Executive Vice-president, European Green Deal, Interinstitutional Relations and Foresight Commissioner, European Commission (on line intervention).
- **Zakia Khattabi**, Minister for Climate, Environment, Sustainable Development and Green Deal, Belgium.
- **Teresa Ribera**, Third Vice President and Minister for the Energy Transition and Demographic Challenge of Spain.

11:00h
12:15h

Just transition as a space for accelerating the reindustrialization of Europe

- **Mechthild Wörnsdörfer**, Deputy- Director-General for Energy, European Commission.
- **Mary Burce Warlick**, Deputy Executive Director, International Energy Agency
- **Sara Aagesen**, Secretary of State for Energy of the Ministry of Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge, Spain.
- **Walburga Hemetsberger**, CEO, Solar Power Europe.
- **Antón Martínez**, CEO, Enagás Renovable.
- **Bruno Sousa**, Energy Deputy Director-General, Ministry of Environment and Climate Action, Portugal.

Moderator: Pietro Lombardi, Iberia Energy & Climate Reporter, Thomson Reuters.

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12:15h Coffee break

12:45h

12:45h Presentation of experiences on just transition in the closure of coal power plants

14:15h

- **José Casas Marín**, General Director of Institutional Relations and Regulation, ENDESA.
- **Ana Paula Marques**, CEO, EDP Spain.
- **Mario Ruiz-Tagle**, CEO Iberdrola Spain.
- **Luis Zarauza**, Director of Conventional Generation, Naturgy.
- **Jesús Crespo**, Federation of Industry, CCOO.

- **Gustavo Vargas**, UGT-FICA.

Moderator: Beatriz Couce, Journalist, Energy and Climate, La Voz de Galicia

14:15h Lunch Break

15:00h

15:00h Generating consensus for the green transition

16:00h

- **Anais De Munck**, Advisor to the Green Deal Unit, Cabinet of the Minister for Climate, Environment, Sustainable Development and Green Deal of Belgium.
- **Isabel Brachet**, Senior Fiscal Reform Policy Coordinator, CAN-Europe.
- **Miloslaw Stepień**, Just Transition Coordinator, CEE Bankwatch.
- **Ludovic Voet**, Confederal Secretary, European Trade Union Confederation (CES).
- **Corinna Zierold**, Head of Just Transition, IndustriAll Europe.

Moderator: Jérémie Fosse, eco-union director, co-coordinator of the Alliance for a Spanish Presidency of the Council of the European Union ambitious with climate action.

16:00h International dialogue: the close relationship between the Just Transition and climate ambition

17:00h

- **Anabella Rosemberg**, Advisor, CAN International.
- **Gloria Lillo**, Head of the Just Socio-Ecological Transition Office, Ministry of Environment, Chile (on-line connection).
- **Betony Jones**, Director, Office of Energy Jobs, US Department of Energy, United States of America (on-line connection).
- **Joanne Yawitch**, JET Investment Plan Project Management Unit, South Africa (on-line connection).

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- **Bert de Well**, Climate Change Officer, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC).

Moderator: Chris Radojewski, Powering Past Coal Alliance Secretariat.

17:00h La Termica Cultural Visit and RED DINAMIZARTJ Event (performance by youth artists from Just Transition Territories in Spain)
18:00h

09:30h Institutional welcome
09:45h

- **Miguel González Suela**, Undersecretary for Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge, Spain.

09:45h Supporting female talent in the energy transition
10:45h

- **M^a Eugenia Coronado**, CEO, Fundación Naturgy.

Presentation of the Fundación Naturgy & ITJ report "The employment of women in the energy transition in Spain" by **Maribel Martínez**, Directora, Abay Analistas. .

Reactions by:

- **Blandine Mollard**, European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE).
- **Ana Belén Sánchez**, Advisor, Institute for Just Transition.

10:45h Coffee break
11:15h

11:15h Innovative solutions to make the socio-environmental opportunities offered by the just transition a reality
12:15h

- **Laura Martín Murillo**, Director, Institute for Just Transition, Spain.
- **Sander Happaerts**, Just Transition Fund, DG REGIO (online connexion).
- **Isabel Blanco**, Director, European Bank Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) (TBC).

Moderator: Manuel García Hernández, General Director for Energy and Mining Policy, Spain.

12:15h Dialogue about five years of action of the Agreement for a Just Transition of coal mining and sustainable development of the mining regions in Spain
13:45h

- **Laura Martín Murillo**, Director, Just Transition Institute, Spain.
- **Víctor Fernández**, Federal Secretary Mining Sector, UGT FICA.
- **Jesús Crespo**, Head of Raw Materials, CCOO Industry Federation.



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- **Marco Antonio Martínez**, General Secretary, USO Castilla and León.
- **Jesús Casas Grande**, President, Grupo TRAGSA.
- **Miguel Ángel Fraj**, Grupo SAMCA.
- **Alicia García Tejón**, president of the Ponfeblino Consortium.
- **Carolina López**, Major of Brañuelas, Just Transition Municipalities (ACOM)

Moderator: Félix Peinado, Felix Peinado, Director, International Labour Organization, Spain Office.

13:45h Closing Session
14:00h

- **Miguel González Suela**, Undersecretary for Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge, Spain.

14:00h Lunch break
14:45h

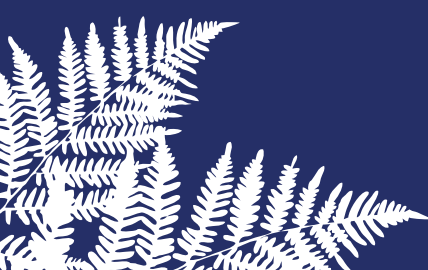
Field visits to see just transition experiences in the field (each attendee will choose one of them)

15:00h 
19:00h

Visit 1: Restoration Plan for abandoned coal mines. Visit to the Gran Corta Fabero.

15:00h 
18:00h

Visit 2: Energy innovation for a decarbonized system. Visit to the CIUDEN energy facilities and presentation of projects.



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