

Despite the significant challenges that have accompanied the pandemic, **the European Commission is increasing the climate ambition for Europe**, proposing a 55% cut in emissions in the EU by 2030. This ambitious target—an increase over the initial goal of a 40% cut—will put the EU on a pathway to reaching climate neutrality by 2050.

NEW TARGET

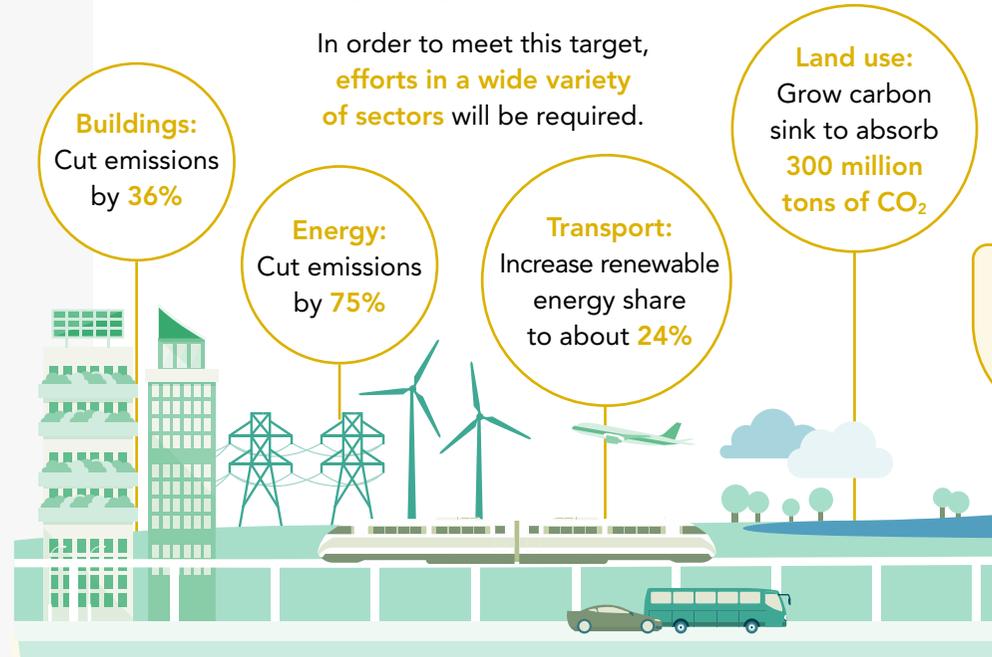
This new goal will help to focus Europe's economic recovery from the coronavirus pandemic by:

-  Promoting innovation in **clean technology**
-  Fostering **competitiveness**
-  Creating **green jobs**
-  Stimulating a **resource-efficient economy**

To assist Member States in making investments in the green transition, they can draw on the **€750 billion NextGenerationEU recovery fund** and the **EU's next long-term budget**.

ACTION PLAN

In order to meet this target, **efforts in a wide variety of sectors** will be required.



Recognising that new policies will need to be put in place to reach this goal, in June 2021 the European Commission will present legislative proposals in the following areas:

EU emissions trading system	Road transport CO ₂ emission	Energy efficiency
Renewable energy	Agriculture, land use , land use change and forestry	Effort sharing

Achieving this aim offers the potential to reap **significant benefits by 2030**:

- Lower energy bills**
- 1 million electric charging points** across the EU
- 60% reduction** in air pollution
- Improved living conditions and health, leading to **savings of €110 billion in healthcare costs**
- Improved energy security and **€100 billion saved from reduced imports**

GLOBAL COLLABORATION

As it endeavours to increase its emission reduction efforts, the EU will work closely with its partners—including Japan—in the implementation of the Paris Agreement.



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