

# Developing the EU Long-Term Climate Strategy

## Launch event

### Agenda

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Date: April 18, 2018  
Time: 13:30 – 16:00 (lunch will be served at 12:45)  
Location: Swedish Permanent Representation, Square de Meeûs 30, 1000, Brussels

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### Background

The European commission has decided to renew its “Roadmap for moving to a competitive low carbon economy in 2050”. The Roadmap is an important policy document, bringing a long-term outlook to the EU’s decarbonization transition while promoting consistency with science, addressing energy-security and ensuring opportunities for growth and jobs.

However, much has changed since the Roadmap was issued in 2011. The Paris Agreement has raised global climate change mitigation ambition – setting the EU on the path towards zero-net emissions by 2050, and the scientific understanding of climate change has been further deepened through the more recent IPCC 5th Assessment Report. The EU’s Energy Union package needs to be factored into its internal longer-term climate policy perspective, as well as the decreased costs of mitigation technologies such as renewable energy.

The EU needs an updated long-term roadmap, not only to maintain consistency with longer-term objectives and for the 2018 Facilitative Dialogue, but also to ensure the long-term policy predictability necessary for enabling and maintaining the low-carbon transition and linked investments.

The project “Developing the EU Long-Term Climate Strategy”, a joint initiative of Bruegel and the European Roundtable Climate Change and Sustainable Transition (ERCST/ICTSD), aims to provide a “roadmap” for the development and delivery of the EU’s new long-term decarbonization strategy.

After the five workshops across the EU to gather the views of stakeholders, the two deliverables of the project are launched today:

- i. A technical document, describing all potential choices that could be made in the new long-term climate strategy, with an analysis of the trade-offs implied.
- ii. A policy document, presenting a number of inherently consistent set of choices that may serve as basis to build the new roadmap.

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## Agenda for the launch event

**12:45 – 13:30**      **Welcome lunch**

**13:30 – 13:35**      **Opening remarks**

- **Andrei Marcu**, Director, ERCST, Senior Fellow, ICTSD
- **Georg Zachmann**, Senior Fellow, Bruegel

**13:35 – 13:45**      **Welcome**

- **Eva Svedling**, State Secretary to the Minister for International Development Cooperation and Climate, Sweden

**13:45 – 14:15**      **Presentation of the Report**

- **Andrei Marcu**, Director, ERCST, Senior Fellow, ICTSD
- **Georg Zachmann**, Senior Fellow, Bruegel

**14:15 – 15:30**      **Panel discussion**

Moderator: **Ewa Krukowska**, Bloomberg

- **Artur Runge-Metzger**, Director, DG Climate Action, European Commission
- **Eva Svedling**, State Secretary to the Minister for International Development Cooperation and Climate, Sweden
- **Imke Luebbeke**, Head of Unit, EU Climate and Energy Policy, WWF European Policy Office
- **Tomasz Chruszczow**, Special Envoy for Climate Change, Ministry of Environment, Poland
- **Joachim Hein**, Senior Manager, Energy and Climate Policy, BDI

**15:30 – 16:00**      **Q&A**