

In conversation with Jacob Werksman *the EU's international climate policy*

Date: November 10th, 2020

Time: 14:45– 16:00 CET

Location: Zoom Videoconference

Interviewers: Andrei Marcu & Michael Mehling

*During this one-hour conversation, **Jacob Werksman, Principal Advisor for International Aspects of EU Climate Policy at the European Commission (DG Clima)** will shed light on the recent developments and priorities for the EU's international climate policy.*

After an introductory interview, Andrei Marcu and Michael Mehling will moderate a Q&A with participants.

2020 is the year that Parties to the Paris Agreement are to communicate or update their NDC. The EU institutions have already clearly stated its ambition to agree upon and submit an enhanced NDC by the end of the year, and President Xi Jinping announced in September that China will enhance their NDC, which many observers attribute in part to the EU's climate diplomacy. It remains to be seen whether other large countries will follow suit.

Due to the ongoing health crisis, the UNFCCC process has also been severely delayed. COP26, which was supposed to take place in Glasgow this November, has been postponed by one year.

Join ERCST during this session to discover more about the EU's international climate policy priorities and what to expect from the UNFCCC process going into 2021.

14:45 **Welcome and introduction**

- Andrei Marcu, ERCST

14:50 **Opening statement**

- Jacob Werksman, DG Clima

15:00 **Introductory interview**

During this introductory interview, ERCST's Andrei Marcu and Michael Mehling will go in conversation with Jacob Werksman, discussing the EU's international climate policy priorities.

15:30 **Q&A with participants**