Future of Emissions Trading in the EU: Price Signal and Competitiveness

**Launch Event (Public)**

**Agenda – Draft**

*Speakers currently under confirmation*

**Date**: Thursday March 27, 2025

**Time**: 10 :00 – 12 :00 CEST

**Venue**: Hybrid

* Brussels based – in person - Rue Archimède 61, Brussels, Belgium.
* Outside Brussels – online.

This is the launch event of the *Price signal and competitiveness Report*, under the framework of the Future of Emissions Trading in the EU project. The “Future of Emissions Trading in the EU” is a process ERCST is putting in place to provide original analytical insights, pinpoint challenges, and propose solutions for the evolution of the EU ETS during the second Phase of phase IV (2025-2030) and post-Phase IV.

The project will investigate the system's impact on key sectors such as power and industry and explore implications for governance relevant to EU policymakers. Within this process, a series of reports covering different aspects of the future of Emission Trading in the EU will be released throughout the year.

The European Commission is required to annually assess, according to the EU ETS Directive, the functioning of the EU ETS and its future design. The European Commission opened a call for tenders in June 2024 to “Support for the evaluation of the EU emissions trading system (EU ETS) and the Market Stability Reserve (MSR) and for the 2026 review of the EU ETS and MSR”. While the European Commission has its role to play in providing an official review, it is also important that independent review and assessment of the functioning and delivery of the future of the EU ETS takes place.

This event will cover the *Price signal and competitiveness Report*. This is the *third* report of the Future of Emissions Trading in the EU project. During this event the report will be presented by the authors and discussed with participants.

**10:00** **Welcome**

* Andrei Marcu, ERCST

**10:10** **Presentation by authors: *Price signal and competitiveness* Report**

ERCST will present its Report on Price Signal and Competitiveness. Following the presentation, each member of the panel will have 5-minute initial interventions. This will be followed by a moderate debate with the audience.

The discussion will focus on a number of questions:

• How to ensure a long-term price signal?

• How can existing carbon leakage instruments (CBAM, fee allocation) interact with competitiveness concerns?

• How can carbon revenues and funding instruments support competitiveness and generate price signal?

**10:30** **Initial reactions**

* Anna-Maria Karjalainen, International Copper Association Europe
* Frédéric Branger, France
* Lidia Tamellini, Carbon Market Watch
* Mathilde Painchart, EDF
* Philippe Adriaenssens, ERT

**11:45** **Q&A**

**12:00** **End of the event**