

The undeniable importance of EU commitment to climate action

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One of the topics of the EU agenda is labeled as “sustainable green Europe”. But what initiatives and actions should the EU take towards the goal of a more sustainable and carbon neutral Europe.

Over the last half a decade, the pressure for more climate change initiatives has been increasing, especially amongst the younger population in Europe. But this has often been faced by rhetoric and empty promises from politicians and legislators.

Instead, the people have been encouraged to take action themselves, sorting trash, eating less meat, flying less etc. All this while no action is being taken by legislative bodies. But the importance of EU regulation and policies cannot and must not be underestimated, when it comes to making actual change. We can sort all the trash we want, and all become vegans, but if no one is holding big firms and corporations accountable, we are never going to meet any of the goals set by, for example, the EU and the UN.

The responsibility of the EU:

As stated earlier, the importance of the EU in the battle against climate change cannot be underestimated. The EU has both the power and the reach to hold both corporations and governments accountable, for their carbon emission and their role in continuing this global warming.

For example, the Danish concrete producer Aalborg Portland is responsible for 2% of the total yearly Danish carbon emission.

These big firms are often responsible for more carbon emission than entire cities, and they need to be held accountable. But it's not only firms, but also