

CARBON REMOVAL POLICY SUMMIT



16 September, 2026



The SQUARE, Brussels

Embedding carbon removal in Europe's evolving climate and industry landscape

Times	Sessions
09:00 – 10:15	Opening plenary: Framing the system challenge • Welcoming remarks • Vision-setting keynote • EU Commission DG Clima: State of play across the CRCF • Carbon Gap: Policy Tools session
10:15 – 10:30	Coffee break
10:30 – 15:30	CDR policies and implementation across levels of governance • International level: “The role of carbon removals in Article 6” (10:30 – 11:30) • European level: “Carbon removal integration into the EU’s post-2030 climate and competitiveness framework” (11:30 – 12:30)
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch break
13:30 – 15:30	CDR policies and implementation across levels of governance • National level: “Building on pioneering experience – national levers to scale carbon removal” (13:30 – 14:30) • Local level: “Catalysing carbon removal for sustainable, resilient, and inclusive cities” (14:30 – 15:30) Session Partners*  CITY CDR INITIATIVE Building Carbon Sink Cities
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee break
15:45 – 17:15	Parallel working sessions: Translating policy into practice Public–private purchasing & market creation Designing demand-side instruments (Buyer’s Club, CRCF Facility); governance, eligibility, integrity, and interaction with other national and European measures Session Partners*  Plus further contributors TBC Sector integration CDR in industrial transition pathways: Integrating CDR into hard-to-abate sectors: residual emissions in sectoral pathways, CDR alongside other decarbonisation options, and investment and infrastructure implications. Session Partners*    Project deployment and infrastructure integration Enabling conditions for deployment: permitting and siting, integration with CO₂ transport, storage and energy infrastructure, and cross-border coordination and value chains. Session Partners* 
17:15 – 17:30	Coffee break
17:30 – 18:00	Closing plenary: Integrating insights and forward-looking takeaways
18:00 – 20:00	Networking session