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Finnish EU Presidency priorities in the energy field

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THE EU AS A GLOBAL LEADER IN CLIMATE ACTION

- 'The EU should raise its profile as a global leader in climate action by adopting **a long-term climate strategy** (LTS) aimed at making the EU carbon neutral by 2050.'
- 'Finland's Presidency will continue to facilitate the process in order to define the key elements of the EU's long-term climate strategy in the European Council **by the end of 2019.**'
- **Breaking the silos:** Discussions related to EU LTS are taking place in various Council formations (energy, environment, transport, competitiveness, etc.)
- Targets are necessary, but **tools and measures** are equally important.

ENERGY COUNCIL: LOOKING FAR

- Effective implementation of the **Energy Union**
 - National Energy and Climate Plans
 - National Long-term Strategies
 - Implementation of the Clean Energy Package
- **Innovative technologies** promoting climate neutrality
 - Technologies enabling clean transition and as an engine of growth
 - Smart sector integration (sector coupling)
 - The role of energy-intensive industries
- Legislative files
 - Tyre labelling regulation: (poss.) Final agreement



KEY DATES

- Energy Council, 24 September 2019, Brussels
 - National Energy and Climate Plans
 - Beyond 2030: National Long-term strategies
 - Innovative energy technologies
- SET-Plan Conference, 13-15 November 2019, Helsinki
 - Strategic energy technologies
- Energy Council, 4 December 2019, Brussels



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