

# A Sunday evening opinion on SETAC's role in the EU GreenDeal

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## **Abstract**

Mid December BC (Before Corona) the EU GreenDeal was presented by Frans Timmermans, with amongst others ambitious goals with regard to a toxic-free environment. In this opening lecture, during your Sunday (#veggie?) roast at the #virtual and thus #very21stCentury #SETAC2020 meeting, I'll discuss the various topics of relevance to SETAC of this EU Green Deal. What are the knowledge gaps and what is the scientific consensus with regard to the various relevant topics related, such as the one-substance/one-assessment paradigm? What could be essential elements to come to a chemicals strategy for sustainability? And what role can our tripartite society (composed of members from academia, government and industry) play so that new scientific evidence is rapidly reflected in the regulatory frameworks.