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The COVID-19 crisis makes it even more necessary to promote a sustainable and green recovery, so that we are able to cope with new pandemic waves and also to reduce its likelihood by better protecting biodiversity, lowering pollution, and reducing emissions to an unprecedented level. The recovery packages need to ensure that gender equality measures are mainstreamed in the climate and energy transition framework.

On climate change, young women in particular have played a remarkable role in leading the push for change. Women and girls are disproportionately affected by the climate crisis, by green policies tackling climate change or the clean transition (there are more women in energy poverty), and by emissions-free transport (more women use public transport). It is therefore important for gender equality and gender mainstreaming to be present in action at all levels within the European Green Deal. For a fairer and just recovery after the COVID-19 pandemic, cities and regions must prevent a gender-blind implementation of the green transition.

Could the Commission provide more details about the Fit for 55 package? How can it be ensured that climate, energy and environmental policies include a gender-sensitive approach, especially in view of the green recovery and the upcoming UN Climate Change Conference (COP 26) in Glasgow?