Subject: Cumulative impact assessment of the combined effects of the Fit for 55 package

The Commission’s Fit for 55 package is a crucial set of proposals aiming to enact the European Green Deal. The majority of the legislative proposals and policy initiatives come with impact assessments, which are very welcome for debates in Parliament. The implementation of these policies will entail significant socio-economic consequences for the EU.

While pointing out that industry is essential to decarbonisation and that we cannot achieve the EU climate goals without it, the impact studies also reveal huge challenges for EU industry, especially related to competitiveness and potential job losses. The assessments clearly show the unprecedented scale of the investment needed and also hint that in some cases a negative impact on gross domestic product is to be expected. EU legislation could thus impose several simultaneous requirements that might substantially affect production methods and disrupt supply chain operations.

1. In this context, does the Commission intend to present a cumulative impact assessment taking the combined effects of all the proposals of the Fit for 55 package into consideration?

2. When it comes to the EU forest strategy, there are two staff working documents available, but no impact assessment. Does the Commission intend to present an impact assessment for this strategy?