

# Partners for a just energy and green recovery transition

## Building a sustainable future, together

European Union - South Africa cooperation on green economy dates back to the establishment in 2007 of what is today known as the Joint Forum on Environment, Climate Change, Sustainable Development and Water.

As such, the European Union and South Africa work together as global partners on climate action and environmental protection. They also join efforts to decarbonise, promote renewable and sustainable energy and ensure a [just and green recovery](#) transition through the [Just Energy Transition Partnership](#).

Global Gateway, Europe's external investment strategy, facilitates the implementation of this common objectives, and is guided by the [European Green Deal](#), which places environment and climate change at the heart of the EU agenda, in Europe and globally.