

On Holding the Russian Federation Accountable

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A protestor raises awareness about the Bucha Massacre. (Photo: European Commission)



Illustration taken February 28, 2022. (Photo: REUTERS/Dado Ruvic)

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- https://www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations/united-states-america/eu-assistance-ukraine-us-dollars_en?s=253

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Protesters at the Brandenburg Gate in Berlin, Germany.



In Paris, people wave European and Ukrainian flags during a rally commemorating the second anniversary of Russia's invasion of Ukraine [Geoffroy Van Der Hasselt/AFP]

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Photos:



Farmers block the road with tractors near the European Parliament as they demand better conditions to grow, produce, and maintain a proper income, in Brussels on February 1, 2024. (Photo: Nikos Oikonomou/Anadolu via Getty Images)



A banner reads "Macron answer us" as French farmers block a highway with their tractors during a protest over price pressures, taxes and green regulation, grievances shared by farmers across Europe, in Longvilliers, near Paris, France, January 30, 2024. REUTERS/Abdul Saboor



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Protecting our Waters

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- <https://www.eea.europa.eu/themes/water/european-waters/water-management>

Sustainable Water Use in Agriculture

- <https://op.europa.eu/webpub/eca/special-reports/cap-water-20-2021/en/>

Information on water scarcity in the EU:

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European reservoir far below capacity (Photo: Christopher Furlong, Getty Images)



Garbage floating in Italy's Sarno river (Photo: Ecohubmap)