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Building back better: A sustainable, resilient recovery after COVID

To achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement, there is a strong need both for retrofit of existing building stock and for new builds to meet stringent energy-efficiency standards. The COVID-19 pandemic could exacerbate this trend through an increase in demand for less dense neighbourhoods. If firms seek to improve resilience by shortening supply chains or making them more local, it will be important to ensure that such changes do not inadvertently increase emissions or other environmental impacts.

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It contains an analysis of household consumption patterns in food, tourism-related travel, energy, water and waste generation. This relates both to near-term emissions of economic activities receiving liquidity support, as well as long-term structural implications of potential lock-in through infrastructure investment decisions facilitated by recovery packages. Producing and shipping raw materials and manufactured goods along global supply chains is a key pillar of global economic activity but also a major source of environmental pollution.

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Trends and policies in OECD countries This report is about the day-to-day actions of households in OECD and how these actions affect the environment. The data shows that environmental impacts from household activities have grown over the last three decades and are expected to intensify over the next twenty years, particularly in the areas of energy, transport and waste.

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The economic pressures driving biodiversity loss and the destruction of ocean health can have cascading impacts on societies, and may increase the risk of future zoonotic viruses those which jump from animals to humans due to the expansion of human activities leading to deforestation, combined with the increased demand for and trafficking of wildlife Jones et al.

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Agriculture already receives substantial government support globally. Finally, promoting mixed land-uses and enhancing walking and cycling accessibility are key, providing redundancy in transport options that is a pillar of improved resilience, discussed further below.

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To be effective at creating jobs and improving resilience, stimulus packages need to take into account potential behaviour changes that could affect the saliency of different policy measures, including for innovation. More broadly, the speed and depth of the economic crisis have shown that a core principle of the global economy — prioritising short-term economic growth and efficiency over long-term resilience — can have huge societal costs.

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As economic activity resumes, there is an opportunity to reallocate road space and encourage active transport, as a means to create jobs, reduce emissions, improve resilience and even boost public health.

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As the health crisis gradually abates in some countries, attention is now turning to preparing stimulus measures for triggering economic recovery.

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