



Editorial

Renewables in the EU energy market

In June, the European Commission issued a communication on "Renewable Energy: a major player in the European energy market". With reference to the 'Energy road-map 2050', the introduction of this communication states: "Regardless of scenario choice, the biggest share of energy supply in 2050 will come from renewable energy. Strong growth in renewables is the so-called 'no regrets' option. However, despite the strong framework to 2020, the Roadmap suggests that growth of renewable energy will drop after 2020 without further intervention due to their higher costs and barriers compared to fossil fuels."

The communication proposes a package of measures to readdress the challenge related to the current situation. The discussion of these proposals within the framework of the other institutions – notably the European Parliament – promises to be interesting. In this communication, the Commission seems to confer higher importance to renewables directly producing electricity than to those producing heat. The reason to this may be that the energetic balance of the last ones is more difficult to set up and that there is hardly any market for heating. This is particularly the case for heat pump technologies which have a promising future, but need some electricity to produce heat.

Jean-Claude Charrault
Director General

Upcoming events

- 11/09/2012** Dinner-debate Strasbourg
RES and ICT: the need for a systematic approach at the invitation of EWE
<http://www.europeanenergyforum.eu/events/res-and-ict-need-systemic-approach>
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- 12/09/2012** Lunchtime discussion Strasbourg
Key factors in the development of nuclear power in the EU at the invitation of Westinghouse
<http://www.europeanenergyforum.eu/events/key-factors-development-nuclear-power-eu>
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- 24/09/2012** Dinner-debate Brussels
The role of gas in Europe's future energy landscape at the invitation of OMV
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- 08/10/2012** Dinner-debate Brussels
Power-Water : The promising nexus for economic and environmental sustainability at the invitation of GE
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- 06/11/2012** Dinner-debate Brussels
Development of the energy sector of the Russian Federation: Functioning of electricity and capacity market and planed projects in the Baltic Sea Region - new possibilities for cooperation with the EU at the invitation of InterRAO



Dinner-debate on ETS, 18 June Brussels



Past Events



EEF lunchtime discussion, 13 June

13 June 2012: Lunchtime discussion in Strasbourg
The future of the EU gas market: political ambitions versus reality check at the invitation of E-CONTROL

<http://www.europeanenergyforum.eu/events/future-eu-gas-market-political-ambitions-versus-reality-check>

“To achieve an internal EU gas market we need to enable functioning wholesale markets, where they do not exist yet, and connect them better to move forward to an integrated market. Basic conditions need to be established in all countries and no one size fits all solution is possible.” Walter Boltz, Executive Director of E-CONTROL.



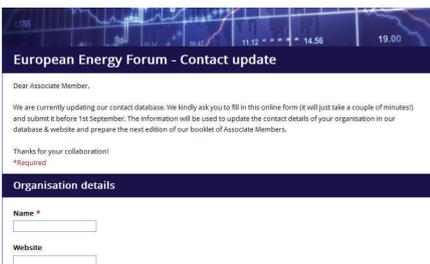
EEF dinner-debate, 18 June

18 June 2012: Dinner-debate in Brussels
Checking upon the ETS system: why the model must be improved at the invitation of ENEL

<http://www.europeanenergyforum.eu/events/checking-upon-ets-system-why-model-must-be-improved>

“ETS are the cornerstone of EU climate policy, but there is a need for a revision of the scheme to face political pressures on ETS results. In spite of low CO2 prices, there are implicit prices related to incentives to RES that build up the energy cost finally paid by consumers. A structural revision of the scheme should be accompanied by a short term intervention.” Simone Mori, Executive Vice President, Regulation, Innovation and Environment, Enel Group.

EEF news



EEF new online form for contacts update

Contacts update: new online form for Associate Members

The European Energy Forum is currently updating its contacts database. An email will be sent to the main contact of each of the Associate Members asking them to update the information of their company or association by submitting an online form.

The information will be used to update the contact details of your organisation in our database & website and prepare the next edition of our booklet of Associate Members.

Please, do not forget to submit this form. Your collaboration would be much appreciated!



Member news

Koen Copenholle: new chief executive of CEMBUREAU

Before joining CEMBUREAU, Mr Koen Copenholle was Head of European Affairs for ArcelorMittal in Brussels and Senior Counsel European Affairs with General Electric EMEA in Brussels. Previously, he was senior associate with the law firm Linklaters De Bandt in Brussels. Koen has also been working as a “référéndaire” in the cabinet of the Dutch Judge P.J.G. Kapteyn at the European Court of Justice from 1992 to 1995 and was teaching European law at the University of Leuven before that period.



Mr Koen Copenholle

Koen graduated “magna cum laude” at the Law Faculty of Leuven University in 1988 and holds an LL.M. degree from Harvard Law School (1990). He is author of various publications on European Community law and a regular speaker at conferences.

CEMBUREAU is the representative organisation of the cement industry in Europe. The Association acts as spokesperson for the cement industry before the European Union institutions and other public authorities, and communicates the industry’s views on all issues and policy developments with regard to technical, environmental, energy and promotional issues.

Dr Niels E. Poulsen appointed President of ENeRG for 2012

Dr. Niels E. Poulsen has recently been elected President of ENeRG for 2012. He is a senior scientist at GEUS - the Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland and he is currently advising the Danish Energy Agency on regional hydrocarbon and geothermal exploration.



Dr Niels Poulsen

He became part of the CCS team at GEUS in 2008, he is active in the coordination of projects on CO₂ storage potential and large scale use. He recently joined the Executive Committee of CO₂GeoNet (The European Network of Excellence on the Geological Storage of CO₂).

Mr Poulsen holds an MSc and a PhD degree in geology from the University of Copenhagen (1990).

ENeRG, the European Network for Research in Geo-Energy, was created in 1993 by European organisations involved in research and technology development (RTD). It was formed to promote European RTD capability in the service of Europe’s geo-energy exploration and production industry and its associated service and supply sector. ENeRG groups members from 29 European countries.