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Letter from the Publisher:

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The European Energy Forum focuses on itself

Readers of our monthly newsletter have already realised that it has gradually moved away subjects of general interest relating to energy at a worldwide level and with regard to the European institutions.

The reason for this development lies in the fact that a number of press agencies now publish this type of information in real time. Reproducing it in one form or another – using links or by providing a summary or a synopsis – would be pointless, even deceptive.

The same considerations apply to our website, as our visitors can now see.

The information we will be publishing from now on will relate to the activities of our Association and the life of its Members, both Active and Associate.

This change of direction, considerable as it may seem, is not the first our Association has experienced.

Those of our Members who may wish to learn more about previous developments in our Association and its communication can refer to the annex to this editorial which is to be found at the end of the newsletter.

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Director General

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News from the EEF

EEF Upcoming events



05.07.2011 Dinner-debate Strasbourg — **Completing the EU energy market by 2014: Is it realistic?** at the invitation of EURELECTRIC

31.08.2011 – 03.09.2011 Visit to the **Oil Sands of Alberta, Canada**, at the invitation of the Mission of Canada to the EU

05.10.2011 Dinner-debate Strasbourg — **Desertec from vision to reality – Time to act now**, at the invitation of ABB, E.ON, RWE, SIEMENS, First Solar

12.10.2011 Internal meeting Brussels: **ITAC**

19.10.2011 Dinner-debate, Brussels – **Ten-Year Network Development Plan** at the invitation of ENTSOG

15.11.2011 Dinner-debate Strasbourg — **Nuclear New build in Finland**, at the invitation of Fennovoima Oy

22.11.2011 Dinner-debate Brussels — **Unconventional gas, energy security, sustainability: gas a solution for the future**, at the invitation of Eurogas

07.12.2011 Dinner-debate Brussels — **IEA World Energy Outlook 2011: what about coal**, at the invitation of Euracoal

EEF Past events

07.06.2011 Dinner-debate Strasbourg — **Transport Fuels in Europe: Energy for the Mobility of the Future**, at the invitation of ExxonMobil

“You [MEPs] have a much more difficult job than I do. You are defining policy that will impact the future of mobility in the EU. You are setting the direction. ExxonMobil is looking for technology solutions that head in that direction, but we ask that you let us set how we get there.”

Baudouin Kelecom, Fuels Executive, ExxonMobil





Baudouin Kelecom, *Fuels Executive*, ExxonMobil presented recommendations and considerations as the EU develops policies focused on achieving a cost-effective transition to a lower carbon transportation system.

Mr. Kelecom and the audience established that mobility, sustainability and competitiveness are key to Europe's continued economic and social progress. To support this kind of energy and technology

transformation, technologies need to be cost-effective and evaluated on a full CO2 life-cycle and trade-offs need to be evaluated.

On this basis, an economy-wide CO2 cost mechanism would provide a price signal to shape business investments and consumer decisions. Currently, energy efficiency improvements in transportation technologies are the most cost-effective.

**08.06.2011 Lunch-debate Strasbourg — US Energy Policy - Why so different from the EU?,
at the invitation of ENERCON**



"Thanks again for the opportunity to present to the European Energy Forum. The Forum is doing wonderful work in terms of providing opportunities for participants to broaden their understanding perspectives that help inform policy decisions."

*Bob Evans, Vice President,
ENERCON*

Speaker: Bob Evans –Vice-President, ENERCON

In Bob Evans' Presentation, he compared and contrasted the ways in which energy policy in the US and EU had developed. Successive US administrations had created incentives to reduce oil and gas imports coupled with energy efficiency improvements in vehicles and buildings, and encouragement of nuclear construction. Whilst there are some parallels in the

EU policy development, the main difference is in the response to environmental concerns. The US was late to agree on the need to limit greenhouse gas

emissions even though, he said, "The USA has 5% of the world population but 25% of global CO2 emissions." Even now there is no prospect of a price on carbon in the USA.

He concluded that the the US Policy is primarily economy based whilst the EU policy is primarily environment based.

Bob's presentation was followed by a lively and well-informed debate involving a record number of MEPs attending this event.



15.06.2011 Dinner-debate Brussels — Energy Trading in the EU: Sector specific regulation and market oversight, at the invitation of E-CONTROL

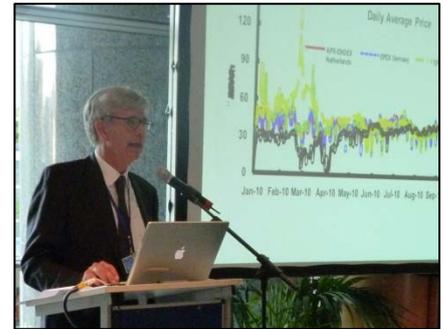
Speaker: Mr. Walter Boltz, Executive Director E-Control Austria

Austria's Chief Energy Regulator, Mr. Walter Boltz, presented the EU-wide Energy Trading highlighting the importance of transparency in energy wholesale markets. The presentation was well received and a lively debate followed between MEPs and other stakeholders who actively engaged in a direct discussion with Mr. Boltz. Contributions covered question of key importance in the framework of the new Regulation on Energy Market Integrity and Transparency (REMIT).

REMIT has very recently been finalized and will undergo a final vote in Plenary in Fall 2011.

A summary of the event is available at the following link :

<http://www.europeanenergyforum.eu/events/energy-trading-eu-sector-specific-regulation-and-market-oversight>



17.06.2011 Briefing for MEP assistants Brussels — Basics of Gas and Power market regulation in Europe, at the invitation of the European Energy Forum



- *Nicolaas Bel, European Commission, DG Energy, Policy Officer in charge of coordinating the implementation of the third Energy Package*
- *Mr Peter Plug, Director Office of Energy and Transport Regulation at NMA Netherlands (Competition Authority)*
- *Mr Walter Boltz, Executive Director at E-Control Austria*

The European Energy Forum organized its second Briefing for MEP assistants. It was attended by some 15 Assistants and Advisors and the feedback was very positive.

This informative session was meant to inform MEP Assistants about market regulation. Our Speakers were:

- *David Holdearn, Senior Advisor OFGEM (Office of the Gas and Electricity Markets)*

The lectures included presentations of ACER, CEER, ERGEG, EU framework guidelines and network codes, unbundling, market coupling, target model, etc.

Assistants were invited to ask question and discuss with the speakers.



News from the EEF Associate Members



Christine Lins, Secretary General of EREC since 2001, was appointed Executive Secretary of REN21 as of 1st July 2011. REN21 is the Renewable Energy Global Policy Network for the 21st Century, a forum for international leadership from governments, business and industry, and civil society, with the goal to accelerate the global transition to renewable energy.

The EEF team would like to thank Christine for her long time collaboration with the EEF and her contribution to our activities and is looking forward to a continued cooperation with her in her new position.

Josche Muth, Deputy Secretary General of EREC, will be Acting Secretary General until a decision is taken concerning Christine's successor.

Change of address

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