



Keynote speaker

Emmanuel Haton

Director European Government Affairs

Emmanuel Haton is a French National and has spent his entire 30 years career in the BP group first in France and later in several other regions in the world. His experience is a mix of Upstream Exploration and Production in countries where the company has operations and in the BP headquarters as well as several years spent in Refining, Supply and Trading and Marketing and Government and Public Affairs.

He has spent the last ten years in his existing role in Brussels as Director, European Government Affairs.

In 2001 he moved back to BP Exploration and Production in Angola at the time BP was seriously growing its offshore business there. Prior to this Emmanuel re-joined the BP Corporate Centre in London as Director Environmental Science and Technology.

In 1995 he was assigned to BP Exploration in Algeria to work on the In Salah gas Project as Director Government and Public Affairs.

From 1983 onward Mr Haton held a variety of posts in BP France HR, Supply and Trading Division. He then moved in Air BP in the UK as head of Air BP Africa and then in charge of BP business development in the South West Pacific.



Intervention from the European Commission

Paula Pihno

Head of Unit at the Directorate-General Energy

Paula Pinho is Head of Unit at the Directorate-General Energy in the European Commission. As Head of the Unit she is responsible for the Energy Policy Coordination and notably for strategy, planning and legal questions. She had been previously Member of Cabinet of Commissioner Günther Oettinger both in his quality of Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society and during his mandate as Commissioner for Energy. She was then responsible for energy security and infrastructure and the overall coordination of the international dimension of energy policy.

As a member of the Cabinet, she has been involved in the negotiations of the Southern Corridor and the EU negotiations with Turkmenistan and Azerbaijan regarding the Trans-Caspian pipeline. More recently, she has been involved in the trilateral gas talks between the EU, Russia and Ukraine.

During the EU Commission 2004-2009, Paula was Member of Cabinet of Markos Kyprianou, European Commissioner for Health and Consumer Protection, and Androulla Vassiliou, European Commissioner for Health. Paula joined the European Commission in 2000 where she worked in DG MARKT on the international aspects of public procurement. She then joined DG TRADE and coordinated the Free Trade Agreement negotiations with the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC). She has previously worked as a consultant at the Euro Info centre – Technical Assistance Office and at a law firm both in Germany and in Portugal.