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It is with great sadness that we must inform you that Jean-Claude Charrault, Director General of the European Energy Forum from 1995 to 2012, passed away on 15 March, at the respectful age of 86.

Those of our members who have followed the European Energy Forum for some time, have had the good fortune to know Mr Jean-Claude Charrault quite well and to appreciate his knowledge, openness and great sense of humour.

Mr Charrault was instrumental in setting up the EEF in 1995. He had the vision of a Forum where the Parliament, the industry and the European Commission would meet and openly discuss energy issues.

23 years later, we are still, thanks to him, listening to each other, discussing, arguing sometimes, and learning about the very fascinating world of energy.

We will remember him as an fervent European, working for the European Commission for over 30 years, and passionate about energy.

On behalf of the EEF, we send our condolences to his dear ones.



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DINNER DEBATE IN BRUSSELS

The fight against climate change as an opportunity for Europe: A viable scenario from a business perspective

EEF Events

Transitioning to low-emission steel: making the energy market fit for the industrial future

20 March, Brussels

Dinner-debate hosted by EUROFER



Energy-intensive industries have been asked to reduce emissions from industrial operations to adapt to the new environmental policies. The Commission has proposed measures involving energy efficiency, carbon capture & storage and EU ETS to help these industries reduce their emissions without a significant drop of competitiveness. The EEF invited EUROFER, the association of European steel producers, to discuss the impact of climate targets in this energy-intensive sector.

The steel industry is responsible for 7% of global emissions and 30% of industrial emissions in the EU. European steelmakers have reduced energy consumption and CO₂ emissions per tonne of steel by 50% since 1960 and are close to their limits to reduce much further. In that context, **Axel Eggert**, Director General at **Eurofer**, explained that *“Europe has to find a way to decarbonise without losing profitability or market share compared to its competitors”*. It's important for the steel industry to keep the innovative edge to stay competitive. Eurofer is running about 12 different projects with the objective to make the sector carbon neutral by 2050. These projects have a cost of more than 1 billion euros to bring them up to industrial scale by 2030-2035 and start the roll-out afterwards if the projects prove successful.

The power sector plays a crucial role to lead the energy transition and decarbonize the economy. In order to make the EU steel industry carbon neutral, the steel industry will need according to Eurofer's figures, an additional amount of 400 to 500 TWh of electricity, which is about the electricity consumption of Germany today. **Henning Häder**, Manager for Energy Policy, Climate & Sustainability at **Eurelectric**, explained that the increase of electricity consumption will also depend on energy efficiency, less power demand in other sectors or demand flexibility. The decarbonization has to be achieved, according to Mr Häder, as fast as possible, taking into account the particular needs and circumstances of each EU country. Dialogue and cooperation between the different sectors are key in the current context, he said.

Oliver Koch, Deputy Head of Unit for Wholesale Markets- Electricity and Gas at the **European Commission**, recalled this will be a long-term strategy and welcomed the constructive approach adopted by the industry.

News from EEF members

MEP Maria Skyraki joins the EEF



Maria Spyraiki MEP

Maria Spyraiki, Greek MEP, has joined the EEF as Active Member.

She has worked for 22 years as a journalist and she is a member of the Union of Editors of Macedonia and Thrace (ΕΣΗΕΜΘ). She has also worked in the Press Office of the European Parliament in Athens during the period of 2003-2004, as well as the office of Greek Commissioner to the EU, Mr. Stavros Dimas, for the period 2004-2009.

In 2014, former Prime Minister Antonis Samaras asked her to run for the European Elections. She was elected first Member of the European Parliament with Nea Demokratia and she joined the European People's Party. She is a member of the Committees on Regional Development (REGI) and on Industry, Research and Energy (ITRE). She is also part of the delegation for relations with Japan and the EU-former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Joint Parliamentary Committee. She is also a member of the Nea Demokratia Executive Board after Kyriakos Mitsotakis was elected in the presidency of the party.

MEP Massimiliano Salini joins the EEF



Massimiliano Salini MEP

Massimiliano Salini, Italian MEP, is now Active Member of the EEF.

He was born in Soresina, Italy. He received his Master's Degree in law from the Statale University of Milan. During his university studies he was involved in the political life of the university. From 1998 to 2000, he joined the President's staff in the Lombardy region. From 2000 to 2009, he worked in the private sector. In 2006, he was appointed Vice-President of the Società Cremasca Servizi S.p.A., and in 2007, member of the board of Linea Group Holding and of Linea Ambiente Spa. He was elected President of the Province of Cremona in 2009.

He became MEP in 2014. He is a member of ITRE and transport Committees, as well as of the Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance (TAX3). He is also part of the delegations for relations with India, Mashreq countries and the Parliamentary Assembly of the Union for the Mediterranean.

News from EEF members

Enea Trading joins the EEF



Dawid Klimczak
CEO of Enea Trading

Enea Trading plays the central role in the wholesale trade of Enea Capital Group, one of the largest vertically integrated energy companies in Poland. Apart from the area of trade on both Polish and European wholesale market, the company offers a wide range of services such as complex portfolio or risk management and development of business strategies for the Group.

Dawid Klimczak will be the representative of Enea Trading in EEF. He has been involved in the electric power industry for 10 years and was appointed CEO of Enea Trading in March 2016. His career is related to commodity trading (electricity, CO₂, natural gas, coal, biomass) and European regulations. Mr. Klimczak is a member of the Governing Board of the Association of Energy Traders in Poland (TOE) and member of the Board of the Polish Electricity Association (PKEE). He is a graduate of the Nicolaus Copernicus University, Lazarsky University, Warsaw School of Economics and Poznań University of Technology. He has a PhD in Economic and Management Sciences.

Hydro joins the EEF



Rønnaug Sægrov Mysterud
Head of EU Affairs at Hydro

Hydro is a fully integrated aluminium company with 35,000 employees in 40 countries on all continents, combining local expertise, worldwide reach and unmatched R&D capabilities. In addition to production of primary aluminium, rolled, extruded products and recycling, Hydro extracts bauxite, refines alumina and generates energy. Based in Norway and rooted in more than a century of experience in renewable energy, technology and innovation, Hydro is committed to shaping a sustainable future through innovative aluminium solutions.

The main representative of Hydro to the EEF is **Rønnaug Sægrov Mysterud**, Head of EU Affairs at Hydro. Rønnaug has been working with the company for over 20 years holding various positions within energy. She started as a hydrologist in power operations, but has most of the time been working with energy markets; trading power in the Nordic market, responsible for energy market analysis globally, and in charge of Hydro's physical power market operations.

News from EEF members

2018 InnoGrid2020+ Conference



The European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity (ENTSO-E) and the European Distribution System Operators for Smart Grids (EDSO) will focus this year's edition of INNOGRID2020+ on the next decade's challenges for the power grids and provide insights and solutions through innovative projects, demonstrators and pilots. The conference will take place in Brussels from 15 to 16 May.

[Read more](#)

25th anniversary of Cogen Europe



COGEN Europe, the association for the promotion of cogeneration, is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. The annual conference of the association will be an occasion to celebrate this 25 years being part of the energy landscape in Europe. "The Power of Heat" will take place in Brussels on 5 and 6 June. As the European Union is embarking on an ambitious transition towards a low-carbon energy system, COGEN Europe will be bringing together industry representatives, policymakers and stakeholders to exchange views, ideas and plans for a secure, affordable and climate-friendly energy future. [Read more](#)

Annual Conference of GIE



GIE's annual conference this year will focus on the future role of gas and gas infrastructure by 2050 and cybersecurity. The 16th edition of this meeting will be in Bucharest, Romania, from 14 to 15 June.

The conference usually gathers around 400 top level representatives from the European Institutions, regulatory authorities, international organizations and the natural gas industry. [Read more](#)