

Participants in discussions organised by the European Energy Forum

Discussions are reserved for Members and their representatives, and invitations are therefore personal and non-transferable to non-members or persons outside the Association.

The Association can welcome non-member entities eligible for membership, and which commit unconditionally to these rules, to a maximum of two discussions. After, the Association reserves the right to request Membership-enrolment of this entity to the Association as a condition for further attendance of that entity to the discussions.

The Association may accept as Associate Members: associations, groupings, organisations or federations of industrialists or players from the energy sector, which shall agree to participate in projects and activities of the Association only through their own representatives or official spokespersons.

Associate Members constituted as associations, organisations, groupings or federations undertake only to be the spokesperson of the collective interests they represent to the exclusion of the individual interests of any of their own adhering or associate members.

Associate Members constituted as companies that are part of a group undertake only to be the spokesperson of the interests they represent to the exclusion of the interests of any of their parent companies.

Consultancies or law firms cannot be considered eligible for membership of the Association. One of their representatives can only participate in the discussions if an Associate Member of the Association specifically states beforehand that he is its official representative.

Should a consultant or a lawyer be mandated by an Associate Member to be its official representative, the Associate Member will have made sure that the consultant representing them commits to the articles of association and to the rules of the Association. The Associate Member will also make sure to remind that the invitations to the discussions of the Association are personal and non-transferable.

Personal Associate Membership is not possible.

Personal Membership is reserved for Active Members (Members of the European Parliament).

All MEPs have the possibility to become Active Member of the EEF.

Former MEPs who were Active Members can be invited to participate in the discussions of the Association in their capacity as former elected Member of the European Parliament.

A former Active Member who works or becomes associated with an organisation that could become Associate Member of the Association will make efforts to try to have his organisation join as Associate Member.

Former MEPs acting as consultants or advisors fall under the policy concerning consultancy and law firms.

Commission, EU institutions officials and official country representatives may be invited to participate in discussions.

Former Commission officials with no professional attachments may be invited to the activities of the Association.

A former official working for an organisation which is eligible for membership will be invited only if his organisation considers becoming Associate Member of the Association.

Journalists are not accepted at the discussions.

Discussions are held under Chatham House rule to provide anonymity to interveners and to encourage openness and sharing of information during the debate: one can mention what is said but not quote anyone.

Please note that in order to attend a discussion, participants must have a valid access badge to the European Parliament.

Participants not holding the aforementioned permanent accreditation will have to arrange access themselves.

Participants are kindly invited to register in the EU Transparency Register:
<http://ec.europa.eu/transparencyregister/>

The EEF will not take any responsibilities for people having registered to a discussion without being accredited.