



Presentation of the European Energy Forum (EIF)

Active Members: 53 MEPs

Associate Members: 79 Companies/Associations/Research Organisations

1. Overview

The European Energy Forum is an informal and neutral forum where topical energy related subjects linked to the European Union political dialogue are presented. The purpose of the Forum is to facilitate the reciprocal exchange of information between parliamentary representatives, members of the European Commission, European civil servants and other authorities, and principally, the industrial and scientific sectors and all other interested parties.

The activities of the Forum tend towards a better understanding of energy and energy-related problems and generally speaking to facilitate the work of all interested parties in respect of the institutional balance. It organises, inter- alia, meetings, conferences , seminars, dinner-debates, industrial visits, and delegation visits to third countries with members of the European Parliament, members and representatives of the European Commission and of other EU institutions, as well as experts from industries, associations and organisations involved in the energy sector.

Themes discussed include the following

- Coal
- Gas
- Nuclear
- Oil
- Renewable (Biomass, Geothermal, Solar, Tidal, Wind)
- Electricity
- Fuel Cells
- Cogeneration/CHP
- Hydrogen
- Transport/Distribution Grid
- Climate change
- Energy efficiency
- Security of supply
- Sustainable development
- Waste management
- Carbon sequestration
- Economy
- Environment
- (Geo) Politics

- Science/Technology/Research
- ITER/Fusion
- Waste to Energy
- Intensive Energy Users
- EU strategies (aims, actions, policies)

The EEF follows news and events that have a long-lasting impact on, or that set a technical framework for the European energy sector, especially in the context of competitiveness, security, supply and the environment.

2. Relations

Relations with the EU Institutions

As the European Parliament assumes legislative power in respect of many areas of energy policy, there is an increasing demand for regular dialogue between the various actors involved at the European level. In this respect, the European Energy Forum aims through debates and visits at bringing information to Members of the European Parliament without interfering with the prerogatives of the relevant European Parliament's Committees.

Relations with the Private Sector

Companies, research organisations, associations and regulators involved in the energy sector can become Associate Members of the European Energy Forum. Associate Members are invited to all events and provide useful information through their respective know-how and expertise. Discussions allow them to actively debate in the framework of a neutral forum, with legislators on ongoing and future EU related energy topics. These regular exchanges of views contribute to a better understanding of legislative and structural changes in the European energy sector.

Relations with other circles

International and national as well as non-governmental organisations are regularly associated to European Energy Forum's activities. The results of their studies, statistics and expertise are circulated during our events as well as in our publications. This additional information guarantees a broader view of concepts and trends.

Special links have been established with the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and its members who belong to national Parliaments. The Committee on Economic Affairs and Development is the main correspondent of the European Energy Forum. In the energy sector, its mandate reads: "The Committee shall consider developments in European energy policy, and, in particular, energy co-operation". However, the Committees responsible for political affairs, on the one hand, and of environment on the other hand, are also associated to EEF main events. (It is interesting to note that, through the Committee on Economic Affairs and Development, the PACE is the Parliamentary body which controls the activities of OECD and, in particular, the International Energy Agency linked to it.)

3. Membership

The membership of the European Energy Forum consists of

Active Members: These are Members of the European Parliament, who having submitted their application to the Treasurer of the Association are accepted for membership by the Board of Directors and **pay their annual subscription** (amount is not disclosed). The active members have the right to vote at the General Assembly and may be appointed on the Board of Directors.

Associate Members: These are companies, research organisations, associations and regulators who take an interest in energy-related problems, wish for direct involvement in the EFF's activities and **contribute the agreed fee** (amount not disclosed). They may sit on the Industrial Scientific Advisory Committee- a committee that helps the Board to set out the areas of which the EFF's work should concentrate. The Committee is called by the Board at least once a year.

4. Management

The European Energy Forum is managed by

- the Bureau (composed of President, Vice-Presidents and Treasurer)
- the Board of Directors (composed of Members of the European Parliament (elected by the General Assembly) of different nationalities and political groups)
- the General Assembly (composed of all the Active Members, it sets the direction of the Forum and has to follow in its activities)

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The role of the President of the Forum is essential. He takes over the tasks of representation towards a series of entities as the European Commission, the EU Member States and the economic actors as well as towards third countries. He also inspires and conducts quite a number of events organised by the Forum.

Secretariat

A Brussels-based secretariat headed by a Director General ensures close contact with all members and prospects possible subjects of interest for EEF events. The team also carries out day to day management and logistics of EEF activities.

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ABENGOA
ALSTOM
APX-ENDEX
AREVA
BDEW- The German Association of Energy and Water Industries
BP
CEA-Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission
CEFIC- European Chemical Industry Council
CEMBUREAU- European Cement Association
CEWEP- Confederation of European Waste-to-Energy Plants
CEZ Group
COGEN Europe- European Trade Association for the Promotion of Cogeneration
CONSORZIO RFX
DANISH ENERGY ASSOCIATION
E-CONTROL
E.ON AG
EAA- The European Aluminium Association
EDF
EFMA- European Fertilizer Manufacturers Association
ELECTRABEL
EnBW
ENEL
ENeRG-European Network for Research in Geo-energy
ENERGIENED
ENI
ENTSO-E
EPPSA- European Power Plants Suppliers' Association
EREC- European Renewable Energy Council
ESMIG- European Smart Metering Industry Group
ETN-European Turbine Network
EURACOAL- European Association for Coal and Lignite
EURELECTRIC
EUROGAS
EUROHEAT AND POWER

EUROPIA-European Petroleum Industry Association
EUTURBINES
EWE Aktiengesellschaft
EXXONMOBIL
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FINNISH ENERGY INDUSTRIES
FIRST SOLAR
FORATOM- European Atomic Forum
FUELCELL EUROPE
GDF SUEZ
GE ENERGY
GEODE
GERG- European Gas Research Group
GIE- Gas Infrastructure Europe
GVST- German Hard Coal Association
HELLENIC PETROLEUM S.A.
HYDRO
IBERDROLA
LANDIS+GYR (EUROPE) AG
MAX PLANCK INSTITUT FÜR PLASMAPHYSIK
MOL OIL AND GAS PLC
MVV ENERGIE
NATIONAL JOINT STOCK COMPANY “NAFTOGAZ OF UKRAINE”
NORD STREAM
OGP- INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF OIL AND GAS PRODUCERS
PGNIG S.A.- Polish Oil and Gas Company
PKN ORLEN
RTE- The French Transmission System Operator
RWE
SHELL
SHV GAS
SIEMENS
SKB-Swedish Nuclear Fuel and Waste Management Co.
STATOIL
SWEDENERGY
SWM- Stadtwerke München GmbH
TOTAL
TRACTEBEL ENGINEERING
TVO- Teollisuuden Voima Oy
VATTENFALL
VNG- VERBUNDNETZ GAS AG
WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC COMPANY
WINGAS
WÄRTSILÄ FINLAND OY

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BRITISH ENERGY

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BNFL
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GROUPE SCHNEIDER
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NATIONAL GRID CO
NUON
SIEMENS
SKANSKA
SOCOMINE
TSOG/RISKAUDIT
VGB POWERTECH e.V.

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CIEMAT
CONOCOPHILLIPS
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DINEGY
ELSAM
ENDESA
FORTUM
FUNDACION INVERTIR
GALP
GAS DE PORTUGAL
GASUNIE
GAZPROM
GROUP DF
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PREUSSAG ENERGIE
REPSOL
RHEINENERGIE
ROMPETROL
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STATKRAFT

SYDKRAFT
TOSHIBA
TRACTEBEL ENGINEERING
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