WORKSHOP
Organised in cooperation with the Committee for Economy, Science Policy, Education, National Scientific and Cultural Institutions, Middle Classes and Agriculture of the Federal Parliament of Belgium

“The Clean Energy Package and the national energy and climate plans - Outlook for Renewable Energies in Belgium”

Federal Parliament of Belgium
Room: Magritte
Rue de Louvain 48, 1000 Brussels
Tuesday 5 February 2019, 9.00 – 13.00

Working languages: English, French and Dutch – simultaneous interpretation provided

PROGRAMME

9.00 – 9.10 Welcome speech
Jean-Marc Delizée, President of the Committee for Economy, Science Policy, Education, National Scientific and Cultural Institutions, Middle Classes and Agriculture of the Federal Parliament of Belgium

9.10 – 9.55 Setting the ambition for renewables for Belgium
The session will present the current situation of renewable energies in Belgium and how it will be addressed via the national energy and climate plans, considering the EU’s clean energy package. The session intends to set the picture of the present to discuss the development of policies for the Belgian renewable energy system of the future.

Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

• Renewable energies in the national energy and climate plans. The goal of 100% renewables in 2050
  Karen Geens, External Relations Policy Advisor, FPS Economy, SMEs, Self-employed and Energy & Sam Vanwijnsberghe, Policy Advisor, FPS Economy, SMEs, Self-employed and Energy

• The impact of the EU’s clean energy package on Belgium’s energy transition
  Paula Abreu Marques, Head of Unit for Renewables and CCS policy, DG ENERGY, European Commission

• The role of European legislation for Belgian RES policies
  Florent Marcellesi, Member of the European Parliament and EUFORES Vice-President

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9.55 – 11.00 Towards a new energy system and energy markets – views from the sector(s)

This session will discuss the trends of the new energy system and energy markets in Belgium. Innovative initiatives and new business models from different sectors will be presented to show how different actors are implementing solutions overcoming the challenges faced by the traditional energy system and thereby shaping the future Belgian energy system and markets.

Chair: Theresa Griffin, Member of the European Parliament, EUFORES Vice-President

- Renewables empowering cities and regions
  Ann Cloët, President, Coopem

- The future of the Belgian energy system
  Bart Pycke, Managing Director, Yuso

- Reflections on security of supply in Belgium: RES and EE as effective solutions
  Jehan Decrop, Senior Advisor, EDORA

- Renewables in Heating and Cooling: contribution to security of supply
  Ben Laenen, Energy Policy Expert, VITO

Questions & Answers

11.00 – 11.30: Coffee Break

11.30 - 13.00: Discussion: Shaping and funding Belgium’s energy transition

Chair: Jeppe Kofod, Member of the European Parliament, EUFORES President

Input speeches

- Jan Hensmans, Head of Unit General Policy & International Relations, FPS Economy, SMEs, Self-employed and Energy
- Jean-Pascal van Ypersele, Chairman of the Energy and Climate Working Group, Conseil Fédéral du Développement Durable

 Experts panel

- Bert Wollants, Member of the Federal Parliament of Belgium
- Dörte Fouquet, Director, EREF and Partner of the Renewables Networking Platform
- Nathalie Oosterlinck, CEO, Otary

Exchange of views and discussion with all participants

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