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Editorial

2014

As 2013 draws to a close and with the holiday season coming up, the EEF wishes its readers a successful 2014 with lots of energy, a good mix of topics and to spice it up, a great dose of debate.

2013 has been an eventful year when members had the opportunity to attend some 20 dinner-debates, 3 visits and 6 internal meetings. The EEF would like to thank its members both for providing interesting topics with high level speakers and for attending the events and actively participating in the discussions.

In 2014 dinner-debates will be held as usual until end of March before the European elections take place in May. In June and July, the EEF plans to hold a series of meetings to introduce the EEF to newly elected MEPs.

2014 promises to be a very active year and members will be kept up-dated of all planned dinner-debates.



Upcoming events

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| 10/12/2013 | <p>Dinner-debate in Strasbourg</p> <p><i>The state of the refining sector in competing markets</i></p> <p>At the invitation of LUKOIL More info</p> |
| 14/01/2014 | <p>Dinner-debate in Strasbourg</p> <p><i>Completing the single EU gas market</i></p> <p>At the invitation of Fertilizers Europe</p> <p><i>More information will follow soon.</i></p> |
| 04/02/2014 | <p>Dinner-debate in Strasbourg</p> <p><i>Completing the IEM and paving the way to wards 2030 through network codes</i></p> <p>At the invitation of ENTSO-E</p> <p><i>More information will follow soon.</i></p> |
| 05/02/2014 | <p>Internal meeting in Strasbourg</p> <p><i>Bureau Meeting</i></p> <p>At the invitation of EEF (President, Vice-President, Treasurer attend)</p> |
| 12/03/2014 | <p>Internal meeting in Strasbourg</p> <p><i>Board of Directors</i></p> <p>At the invitation of EEF (Board members attend)</p> |
| 25/03/2014 | <p>Internal meeting in Brussels</p> <p><i>Industrial Technical Advisory Meeting</i></p> <p>At the invitation of EEF (Associate Members and Board Members attend)</p> |
| 16/04/2014 | <p>Internal meeting in Strasbourg</p> <p><i>General Assembly</i></p> <p>At the invitation of EEF (Active Members attend)</p> |

More dinner-debates will be added

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From waste to local energy

04/11/2013: Dinner-debate in Brussels

This debate was an opportunity to discuss about the importance of waste for energy production at the local level.

Ella Stengler, CEWEP's Managing Director, explained that 78 million tones of municipal waste are treated every year in the European waste to energy plants and can generate 100 billion kw/h of electricity and heat, which is enough to supply 28 million inhabitants with heat and electricity.



According to the estimations provided by CEWEP, this amount could be almost doubled by 2020 and would be enough to supply about 70 million inhabitants with sustainable energy. In order to achieve this by 2020, Ms Stengler said, it would be necessary to *"divert waste from landfills to energy efficient plants"* and to introduce in 2014, the year of waste, *"a landfill ban for waste that can be recycled or recovered"*

Finally, CEWEP representatives emphasized the need to improve infrastructure for heating and cooling and not to focus only on electricity, since 42% of energy consumption is for heating and cooling.



Coal, Poland and COP-19

13/11/2013: Dinner-debate in Brussels

The dinner-debate, hosted by **EURACOAL**, was held during the COP-19 days in Warsaw and aimed at exploring the situation of Poland from an energy perspective, with its high reliance on coal for electricity supply and its dependence on Russia's oil and gas resources.



The Deputy Prime Minister of Poland and Minister of Economy, **Janusz Piechociński**, was the guest speaker at the debate. He claimed that *"protecting the climate does not mean that irrational actions need to be taken that aim at a too rapid and economically not-well-thought-out shift away from coal."* *"A better solution, he said, is to seek solutions that will enable the use of this resource in an environmentally friendly way."*

Mr. **Paweł Smoleń**, President EURACOAL, who also spoke at the debate, stressed that as a result of the current "stop coal" approach, the European Investments Bank would stop financing the industry. The consequence of this, he affirmed, *"will be that coal will stay, but the old facilities too, and that would be a disaster"*.

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Capacity mechanisms as a structural component of electricity markets

19/11/2013: Dinner-debate in Strasbourg

On 5 November the European Commission published a package on state intervention that includes a document which deals specifically with capacity remuneration mechanisms. The Commission is concerned about the fact that capacity mechanisms can hinder the process of developing the internal electricity market, but recognizes the need under certain circumstances of these mechanisms.



Giuseppe Montesano, Head of European Regulation and Scenarios at **ENEL**, was the speaker during this debate. He explained that a capacity mechanism *"is there to remunerate power plant operators at market conditions for the amount of capacity they make available. The advantages of this mechanisms are that they can provide signals for investments in new capacity and for availability of capacity.* According to Mr. Montesano there are studies showing that *"capacity mechanisms if well implemented can also reduce the overall costs of the system".*



Shale gas: opportunity for the competitiveness of the European industry

26/11/2013: Dinner-debate in Brussels

The debate hosted by **PGNIG** was aimed at exchanging views about the implications of the global revolution in shale gas for Europe, the impacts of shale gas on the EU's economic competitiveness, particularly vis-à-vis US and China, the impact on Europe's economic recovery and the energy security. **Mr Jerzy Kurella**, CEO of PGNIG made a short intervention before leaving the floor to Mrs **Magdalena Andreea Strachinescu** Head of Unit of New Energy Technologies, Innovation and Clean Coal at DG Energy. According to Mrs Strachinescu, *"the European Union is an importer of gas and the dependence on imports considering the current structure of the energy mix will continue to increase. In this respect, shale gas, if it is to be developed in Europe, may reduce this dependency."*



Regarding shale gas exploitation in Europe, **Professor Alan Riley**, from the City Law School of London, explained that according to *"various geological surveys in France, Spain, Germany, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, there is substantial natural resource which is potentially accessible, but we need to do some exploration. We don't have any commercial production in Europe yet, we don't know what we actually need. We really need some experience of development in the States before the Commission and the Parliament start looking at the regulation"*.

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EEF internal events



Industrial Technical Advisory Committee (ITAC)

26/11/2013: Internal meeting in Brussels

This meeting was an opportunity for Associate members and Board Members to gather. Giles Chichester gave a short introduction on 2014 and the way this election year will be organised for the EEF. Members had the opportunity to propose new topics for 2014 and exchange information on the situation of the different industries.

Members energy events



Eurelectric's lunch debate

"Power Statistics & Trends 2013"

10 December 2013, Strasbourg

EURELECTRIC will launch its Power Choices Reloaded study at a lunch debate hosted by MEP Romana Jordan and attended by representatives from EURO-STAT. Please register via Eurelectric.



Webinar on

Electricity Market Mechanisms for Rewarding Flexibility,
Wärtsilä

11 December 2013, webinar

EEF's Associate Member Wärtsilä is organising a webinar to discuss Electricity Market Mechanisms for Rewarding Flexibility on 11 December at 15:00 GMT. For more information and registration please follow this [link](#).



COGEN Europe Annual Conference & Dinner

3-4 April 2014, Brussels

The COGEN Europe Annual Conference & Dinner 2014, the main cogeneration event in Europe, will take place in Brussels on 3-4 April 2014.

Please visit the [conference website](#).