



**12th Inter-Parliamentary Meeting on
Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency**

**“Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency –
Ways out of the economic crisis!”**

**Meeting of the Core Members of Parliament
from the European Parliament and EU27 national Parliaments**

**In cooperation with the Hellenic Parliament
Friday 23 November 2012 and Saturday 24 November 2012
Venue: Senate Room, Hellenic Parliament, Athens, Greece
The event will be held in English with Greek interpretation.**

Thursday 22 November 2012 – Arrival and Get together

20:00-23:00	Informal get together and snacks for early arrivals, <u>Electra Palace Hotel</u>, 18-20, N. Nikodimou Str., 10557 Athens (Main Conference Hotel)
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Friday 23 November 2012 – Renewable Energy Sessionⁱ

8:30	Registration and security access Entrance of the Hellenic Parliament at Vasilissis Sofias St. (please bring ID) Conference Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General of EUFORES
9:00	Opening session Chair: Anni Podimata, MEP, Vice-President of EUFORES, Vice-President of the European Parliament Short welcome addresses <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evangelos Meimarakis, President of the Hellenic Parliament• Yannis Maniatis, MP Greece, Parliamentary Host of IPM12 in Athens
9:40	Key-note speech Claude Turmes, MEP, President of EUFORES
10:00	Key-note speech “Renewable energy in Greece – where to start from” Asimakis Papageorgiou, Deputy Minister of Environment, Energy and Climate Change
10:15	Discussion “The role of renewables projects to save the Greek economy” Chair: Claude Turmes, MEP, President of EUFORES <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arthouros Zervos, CEO, PPC Public Power Corporation, Greece• George Peristeris, President, Greek Association of RES Electricity Producers• Panagiotis Papastamatiou, President, Hellenic Wind Energy Association• Iordanis Paradissiadis, President, Greek Solar Industry Association• Alexandros Athanasiou, CEO, Krannich Solar Germany/ M.E.P.E Exchange of views with MEPs and MPs
11:30	Coffee break

12:00	<p>“Financing and access to capital for Greece and the broader Mediterranean” Chair: Georgios Perdikis, MP Cyprus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Regional, Structural and other Funds – the money is there” Mathieu Fichter, DG REGIO, European Commission • “Public and private financing in the light of the economic crisis” Georgette Lalis, Head of the Athens Office, Task Force for Greece, European Commission • “Access to capital: The business case” Graham Cheshire, Senior Analyst, Frankfurt School of Finance • Exchange of views with MEPs and MPs
13:00	<p>Key-note speech: “Think different! Renewables need re-branding” Peter Economides, Brand Strategist and CEO, Felix BNI and Ginetai</p>
13:30	Lunch break
Keep-on-track! session	
14:30	<p>“Promoting renewables on the national, regional and local level” Regional discussion workshops – parallel sessions MEPs, MPs and stakeholders from the region in discussion</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Implementation of RES in the Southern and Mediterranean Europe” Chair: Anni Podimata, MEP Co-Chair: Antonio Leitao Amaro, MP Portugal Experts’ input: Isabel Cancela de Abreu, Director of the Technical Department, APREN – Renewable Energy Association, Portugal Savvas Seimanidis, Senior Advisor, GAREP - Greek Association of Renewable Energy Producers, Greece 2. “Implementation of RES in Central and Eastern Europe” Chair: Janez Vasle, MP Slovenia Expert’s input: Velizar Kiriakov, Chairman, APEE - Association of Producers of Ecological Energy, Bulgaria 3. “Implementation of RES in the North-Western Europe” Chair: Noel Coonan, MP Ireland Expert’s input: Gaynor Hartnell, Policy Director, REA - Renewable Energy Association, UK Rainer Hinrichs-Rahlwes, Board Member, BEE – German Renewable Energy Federation, Germany 4. “Implementation of RES in the Baltic and Scandinavian Europe” Chair: Margus Hanson, MP Estonia
16:00	Coffee break
16:30	<p>“Keep renewables markets on track to reach the 2020 goals” Chair: Noel Coonan, MP Ireland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Input speech: “Is Europe on track to reach its 2020 goals?” Christian Panzer, Senior researcher at the Energy Economics Group Vienna, Scientific partner Keep-on-track! project <p>Panel discussion with introductory speeches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Plans of the Commission to ensure that Member States reach the 2020 goals” Paul Hodson, Head of Unit Energy Efficiency, DG Energy, European Commission • “Renewables as an opportunity to create jobs and develop business”

	Rainer Hinrichs-Rahlwes , President, European Renewable Energy Council Exchange of views with MEPs and MPs
18:00	Conclusions Anni Podimata , MEP, Vice-President EUFORES
20:00	Gala dinner, <u>restaurant Dionysos</u>, Acropolis, 43 Rovertou Galli St., Athens

Saturday 24 November 2012 – Energy Efficiency Watch Sessionⁱⁱ	
9:00	Registration and security access, Hellenic Parliament Conference Chair: Jan Geiss , Secretary General, EUFORES
9:30	Key note speech: “Energy efficiency – the constant challenge” Yannis Maniatis , MP Greece, Former Deputy Minister for Environment, Energy and Climate Change, Parliamentary Host of IPM Athens
Energy-Efficiency-Watch session	
9:45	“Energy efficiency: Doing more with less – solutions and low hanging fruits” Chair: Yannis Maniatis , MP Greece <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “The role of efficiency for the European economy” Nils Borg, Executive Director, eceee • “Energy efficiency – we can deliver!” Jan te Bos, Secretary General, EURIMA, Coalition for Energy Savings • “Energy efficiency – A business case for Greece?” Efthimios Vidalis, President, Sustainable Development Committee of the Hellenic Federation of Enterprises • Exchange of views with MEPs and MPs
10:45	Coffee break
11:00	“Status of energy efficiency policies and market development in Europe – Results from Energy-Efficiency-Watch project” Chair: Hans Josef Fell , MP Germany <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Feedback from the markets: Successes and failures of efficiency policies” Stefan Thomas, Director, Wuppertal Institute • “Critical Conclusions on EU efficiency policies” Erica Hope, Senior Policy Officer, CAN Europe, Coalition for Energy Savings • Exchange of views with MEPs and MPs
12:00	Coffee break with snacks
12:30	Moderated discussion: “The new Energy Efficiency Directive” Chair: Georgios Koumoutsakos , MEP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hans Josef Fell, MP Germany • Paul Hodson, Head of Unit Energy Efficiency, DG Energy, European Commission • Matthieu Ballu, Coalition for Energy Savings • Exchange of views with MEPs and MPs
13:30	Conclusion of the conference, Jan Geiss , Secretary General, EUFORES
14:00	Bus trip including historic tour guide, departing from Hellenic Parliament Lunch at harbour restaurant “Omilos” , Vouliagmeni, 20 km South of Athens ⁱⁱⁱ
18:30	Arrival Athens centre, Hellenic Parliament, Syntagma Square



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ⁱ Day one is organized in the framework of the Keep-on-track! project with core focus on the late afternoon session.

ⁱⁱ Day two is organized in the framework of the Energy-Efficiency-Watch 2 project.

ⁱⁱⁱ In case of an earlier flight, a taxi trip to Athens airport is possible within 30 min.