



## **WORKSHOP**

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### ***“Opportunities and challenges of the European Energy Union – Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in Belgium”***

20 April 2016, 9.30 – 13.00

Federal Parliament of Belgium, Salle des Congrès (Maison des Parlementaires),  
Rue de Louvain 13, 1000 Brussels

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

## **PROGRAMME**

**09.30 – 10.15 Welcome coffee**

**10.15 – 10.45 Opening Session: Renewables and Energy Efficiency in Belgium and the EU**

Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

- **Welcome and opening speech**  
Jean-Marc Delizée, MP, President of the Committee for Economy, Science Policy, Education, National Scientific and Cultural Institution, Middle Classes and Agriculture of the Federal Parliament of Belgium
- **The Belgian energy future – the road to high efficiency and 100% renewables in 2050**  
Marie-Christine Marghem, Federal Minister of Energy, Environment and Sustainable Development\*
- **Renewable energy and energy efficiency policies in the European Union – will Belgium deliver for 2020 and beyond?**  
Marie Donnelly, Director, DG ENERGY, Dir. C – Renewables, R&I, Energy Efficiency, European Commission



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## 10.45 – 11.20 Session 1: Overview of Energy Efficiency in Belgium

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- On track towards nearly zero-energy buildings by 2020: how to encourage renovation in existing buildings?  
Nicolas Spies, Energy Policy Expert, Confédération Construction Wallonne
- Making urban mobility more efficient and sustainable  
Cathy Macharis, Professor at the VUB-MOBI, Chairwoman of the Brussels Mobility Commission
- Input presentation: “Energy Efficiency Watch: progress in energy efficiency policies in Belgium”  
Christiane Egger, Managing Director, ESV – Energy Agency of Upper Austria, Partner Energy-Efficiency-Watch project

Q&A

## 11.20 – 12.05 Session 2: Prospects of Renewable Energy in Belgium

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- How renewables can make Belgium more secure and resilient  
Noémie Laumont, Secretary General, EDORA
- The North Seas as the powerhouse of Europe  
Michel Helbig de Balzac, President, Northwester 2
- Renewables in Heating and Cooling: contribution to security of supply  
Ben Laenen, Energy Policy Expert, VITO
- Empowering citizens: the key role of local and regional cooperatives in developing a decentralised energy system in Belgium  
Dirk Vansintjan, President of REScoop, Founder of Ecopower

Q&A



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## **12.05 – 12.15 The Energy Efficiency Directive: What it means for Belgium**

Claude Turmes, Member of the European Parliament, EUFORES President

## **12.15 – 13.00 Panel discussion “What are the needs and opportunities for Belgium’s energy transition?” Questions and debate**

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- Nn, Committee for the Environment, Nature, Urban Planning, Energy and Animal Wellbeing, Flemish Parliament
- Nn, Environment and Energy Committee, Parliament of the Brussels-Capital Region\*

## **Wrap Up and Closing Remarks**

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