



European Forum
for Renewable Energy Sources

Mogens Lykketoft
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Danish Parliament - Folketinget
Christiansborg
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30 April 2013

Dear Mogens Lykketoft,
Dear President of Parliament,

As Board of Presidents of EUFORES, we have the honour of inviting you and/or a delegation of your house to participate in the

**13th Inter-Parliamentary Meeting on
Renewable Energy Sources and Energy Efficiency (IPM13)**

“Kick-off of the North Seas Parliamentary Network”

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

IPM13 is organised in association with the Irish Presidency of the Council of the European Union and will take place in Dublin. At this conference, EUFORES aims at **gathering the 100 most active parliamentarians in the field of renewable energy and energy efficiency from national parliaments and the European Parliament**. The conference will be the perfect opportunity to exchange knowledge and to engage in discussions with like-minded colleagues from other Member States and the European Parliament about a sustainable energy future for Europe. **We would therefore like to ask you to initiate an official delegation of your house.**

The conference will also be an occasion to meet other participants, such as officials of national governments, the European Commission and selected representatives from industry and the scientific sector. **The one-and-a-half-day conference** will be accompanied by a **Gala Dinner in the Irish Parliament and a Saturday afternoon site-visit, followed by an Irish culinary evening accompanied by a performance of Irish dancing and singing.**

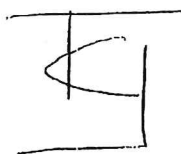
This conference will have a strong North seas focus and will aim to set up a "North Seas Parliamentary Network", as a strong new element for the North Seas Countries' Offshore Grid Initiative (NSCOGI) and the potential of renewables development and deployment in the countries of the North seas area. Here the vision of the North Seas as the future energy pool of Europe will be discussed within a closed session for Members of

Parliament only. **Your experience and input regarding your country and region will be of high importance to the discussions at this high level parliamentary meeting.**

Please find enclosed the programme and registration form. The IPM13 will be held in English but upon request we may arrange simultaneous interpretation for delegations of at least 3 participants. For more information please visit www.eufores.org.

We are looking forward to seeing you or your delegation in Dublin.

Yours sincerely,



Claude Turmes
EUFORES President
Member of European
Parliament



Fiona Hall
Vice-President EUFORES
Member of European
Parliament



Anni Podimata
Vice-President EUFORES
Member of European
Parliament

Who is EUFORES?

- European Parliamentarians for a Sustainable Energy Future -

EUFORES was established in 1995 and is the cross-party parliamentary network with members from the European parliament and the EU-27 national Parliaments, aiming at promoting renewable energy sources and energy efficiency in Europe. A key-activity of EUFORES is the exchange of information between European and national Parliamentarians, as well as Parliamentarians and relevant stakeholders.

EUFORES has developed an intense institutional network at EU and national level, and become one of the driving forces in the renewable energy sector. As part of its efforts, it organises regularly Inter-Parliamentary Meetings on Renewable Energy and/or Energy Efficiency. It also advises on policy, disseminates up to date information to its members and promotes beneficial legislation (i.e. by various projects) in the fields of renewable energy and energy efficiency.

For more information please visit www.eufores.org



REGISTRATION FORM

**EUFORES 13th Inter-Parliamentary Meeting
on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency**

**Dublin Castle, Dublin, Ireland
Friday 21st & Saturday 22nd June 2013**

Please email the registration form back to tessa.schmedding@eufores.org or
fax back to 0032 – (0)2 –5461934 **before Monday the 10th of June, 12:00.**

Please check the boxes accordingly.

Yes, I would like to attend the Inter-Parliamentary Meeting

- Renewable Energy Session on Friday 21st June

- Energy Efficiency Session on Saturday 22nd June

I would also like to attend:

Welcome Reception, Thursday 20th June, 20:00-23:00h

Gala Dinner, Friday 21st June, 20:00

Site visit, Saturday 22nd June, 16:00-19:30

Johnnie Fox's Pub Dinner, Saturday 22nd June, 19.30-23.00

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Name (LAST NAME, name):

Parliament/Organisation:

Function:

Date of Birth:

Email:

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13:30	<p>The North Seas as the future Energy Pool of Europe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "The energy future for the North Seas – an investor's view", Eddie O'Connor, CEO, Mainstream Renewable Power, President, Friends of the Supergrid • "The supply chain perspective", Michael Weinhold, CTO, Siemens Energy* • "Grid infrastructure development", Jon O'Sullivan, Eirgrid • "Financing", Dirk Roos, EIB European Investment Bank* • "Industry Policy: Bring down the cost for offshore", Andreas Wagner, German Offshore Wind Energy Foundation • "Political coordination of NSCOGI - The North Seas Countries Offshore Grid Initiative", Jan Hensmans, Belgian Federal Government, Political Coordinator, NSCOGI North Seas Countries Offshore Grid Initiative
15:20	Coffee break
15:30	<p>World Café: Networking and Brainstorming of North Seas Area Decision makers</p> <p>Thematic Networking Tables – switch every 10 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table 1 – Investor's view: Chair Sean Kelly*, MEP Ireland & Expert of former session • Table 2 – The supply chain: Chair Alyn Smith*, MEP Scotland & Expert of former session • Table 3 – Grid infrastructure: Chair Bendt Bendtsen*, MEP Denmark & Expert of former session • Table 4 – Financing: Chair Steen Gade*, MP Denmark, & Expert of former session • Table 5 – Industry Policy: Chair N.N., MEP UK* & Expert of former session • Table 6 – Political coordination NSCOGI: Chair Fiona Hall, MEP UK & Expert of former session <p>"Kick-off of the North Seas parliamentary network"</p> <p>Closed session for Members of Parliament only - Chair: Claude Turmes, MEP</p>
17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "How we take it from here: The role of Members of European, national, regional and local parliaments for the North Seas offshore grid", Eamon Ryan, Former Irish Minister of Energy, Leader of the Green Party Ireland" • Open discussion among MPs and MEPs
17:30	End of Conference
	Break
18:30-22:00	<p>Irish Parliament, Leinster House, Dublin 2, Meeting point security entrance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18:30: Wine reception & Guided Tour Irish Parliament, Facilitated by Senator Maurice Cummins, Leader of Seanad Éireann • 19:30: Gala Dinner, Irish Parliament, Dublin <p>Short welcome: Enda Kenny, Prime Minister of Ireland*</p>

SAT 22 June – Energy Efficiency²

09:00	<p>Registration and welcome coffee, Dublin Castle</p> <p>Conference Chair : Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES</p> <p>Energy Efficiency Session - Chair: Fiona Hall, Vice-President EUFORES</p>
09:30	<p>"EU energy efficiency policy to date and the challenges ahead"</p> <p>Fiona Hall, MEP, Vice-President EUFORES</p>
09:45	<p>"The new Energy Efficiency Directive"</p> <p>Marie Donnelly, DG Energy, European Commission</p> <p>Questions and answers</p>
10:30	<p>"The implementation of Energy Efficiency Directive in the European Union"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "How Ireland promotes energy efficiency" • Brian Motherway, SEAI – Sustainable Energy Authority Ireland • "Energy-Efficiency-Watch: Reality check on the progress in energy efficiency policies" • Christiane Egger, Expert and Deputy Manager, ESV Upper Austria Energy Agency* • "Guide for a strong implementation of the EU Energy Efficiency Directive - paving the way for a competitive EU climate and energy policy 2030" • Patty Fong, European Climate Foundation, Coalition for Energy Savings • "Renovate Europe!"

² These sessions are organised in the framework of the IEE funded project "Energy-Efficiency-Watch 2" <http://www.energy-efficiency-watch.org/>





13th Inter-Parliamentary Meeting on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency

21 & 22 June 2013, Dublin Castle, Dublin, Ireland – in cooperation with the Irish Parliament
Attendees: Members of European Parliament, national and regional parliaments, European Commission, Covenant of Mayors, experts from science, industry and NGOs

THU 20 June

20:00-22:00 Informal get-together for early-arrivals, MINT Bar, [Westin Hotel](#), College Green, Westmoreland Street, Dublin, Ireland

FRI 21 June – Renewable Energy¹

8:30 Registration and welcome coffee, Conference Centre Hall, [Dublin Castle](#), Dame Street, Dublin 2 (behind the City Hall)
Conference Chair : Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

Opening session - Chair: Claude Turmes, MEP, President EUFORES

9:00 Welcome

- Enda Kenny, Taoiseach - Prime Minister of Ireland*
- Cait Keane, Senator of Ireland, Parliamentary host of IPM13

9:30 Key Note Speech
"The vision of the EU Council on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency"
Pat Rabbitte, Minister, Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources, Government of Ireland
Questions and answers – Members of Parliament only

10:00 Press Conference - Pat Rabbitte, Claude Turmes, Marie Donnelly, Cait Keane (attendance for journalists only)

10:00 *Coffee Break*

10:30 "The Energy Transition: Why more Europe is the answer"
Jeremy Rifkin, President, Foundation on Economic Trends*
Exchange of views with MEPs and MPs

EU session - Chair: Tom Hayes, Chairman of the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Transport/Communications/Natural Resources

11:30 "Will Member States deliver on EU 2020 Renewables Targets? – What the North Seas can contribute"

- "The trends towards 2020"
Marie Donnelly, Head of Renewables, Research, Innovation and Energy Efficiency, DG Energy, European Commission
- "Please mind the gap to 2020"
Josche Muth, Secretary General, EREC European Renewable Energy Council
- "Onshore and offshore wind energy in the EU – the way towards 2030"
Thomas Becker, CEO, EWEA – European Wind Energy Association
- "Ocean power – potentials and solutions"
Sian George, CEO EU-OEA – European Ocean Energy Association*

Exchange of views with MEPs and MPs

12:30 *Lunch break*

North Seas Session - Chair: Fiona Hall, MEP, Vice-President EUFORES

¹ These sessions are organised in the framework of the IEE funded project "Keep-on-track"

