EUFORES 20th Inter-Parliamentary Meeting on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency:

"*Climate Emergency, EU Green Deal and the Recovery and Resilience Plans*"

Friday 27 November 2020, 9:00-17:00

The world is facing enormous challenges: The Covid-19 pandemic as well as the climate emergency. The EU has decided to tackle both existential threats in an integrated approach, the Green Deal. Billions of Euros, which intend to pull the EU out of the Covid-19 crisis shall in large parts also be dedicated to fight climate change and its devastating consequences.

The EUFORES annual Inter-Parliamentary Meeting on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency on 27 November 2020 will gathered top speakers from the European Parliament, national Parliaments and Governments, the European Commission, industry, science, and NGO representatives to discuss the **EU Green Deal, the Climate Law, the Recovery and Resilience Funds and the related National Plans.**

Energy efficiency has been recognised as an important element of the EU's political agenda to reach a green and sustainable recovery. In view of the revision of the **Energy Efficiency Directive** to implement the ambition of the new 2030 climate target and with the upcoming revision of the **Energy Performance of Buildings Directive**, stakeholders and experts across Europe are taking stock on how energy efficiency has progressed in the last years.

Policy makers play an important role in placing energy efficiency high in the agenda. The **Energy Efficiency Watch 4** (EEW4) is a HORIZON 2020 project, coordination and support action**, aiming at supporting policy makers in improving the degree of successful development and implementation of policy instruments for energy efficiency**, and thus contribute to reaching the target of the Energy Efficiency Directive (EED). The project intends to develop narratives for national, regional, and local levels.

During the IPM20, a 3-hour session will be dedicated to EU Energy Efficiency Policy **updates from the European Commission** and the **presentation of an EEW4 survey that reveals the importance of new narratives to drive energy efficiency**. MEPs and relevant stakeholders will exchange views on the status of energy efficiency in the Member States and the importance of improving communication on the benefit, also in regard to the Renovation Wave, and thus making energy efficiency driving policies more appealing to the Member States and central to the Recovery and Resilience Plans.

	Agenda SESSION 4: EU Energy Efficiency Policy Update and New Narratives to drive Energy Efficiency
14.00 – 14:05	Chair: **Daniel Becker**, Director Energy, Guidehouse
14.05 – 15.35	Input speech: "Status update on EU Energy Efficiency Policies and the Role of Energy Efficiency in the national Recovery and Resilience Plans", **Carlos Sanchez Rivero**, Team Leader Energy Efficiency Finance, DG ENERGY, European Commission "New Narratives for Energy Efficiency? Insights from over 1,200 Experts", **Christiane Egger**, Deputy Manager, Upper Austria Energy Agency
15.35 – 16.15	Panel Debate: **Carlos Sanchez Rivero**, Team Leader Energy Efficiency Finance, DG ENERGY, European Commission o **Ciaran Cuffe**, MEP Ireland, President of EUFORES o **Katalin Cseh**, MEP Hungary, Vice-President EUFORES o **Nicolas Gonzalez Casares,** MEP Spain o **Christiane Egger**, Deputy Manager, Upper Austria Energy Agency o **Monica Frassoni,** President, EU-ASE o **Adrian Joyce,** Secretary General, EuroACE
16.15 – 16.30	Discussion with MEPs and MPs + Q&A with participants
16.30 – 16.45	Conclusions, Ciaran Cuffe, MEP Ireland, President of EUFORES

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