

## EEW4 External Event Report

**Title of the event:** Industrial efficiency event: Why Decarbonisation and not energy efficiency?

Date & location:	22-23 November 2022, Antwerp
Organiser(s):	Borg & Co/Eceee
Summary	<p>The conference featured two plenaries, each with a commission representative from DG-GROW and CINEA respectively, as well as speakers from industry and academia. The Energy Efficiency Watch project was represented with two presentations. Several conference presentations highlighted the need for supporting narratives, although they did not always use these words. See for instance, presentations by the North Rhine Westphalia energy agency (in4climate.nrw) as well as the presentation. The event had 90 participants.</p> <p>Apart from the pre-conference workshop (reported as a separate event) we also integrated a workshop on financing with four representatives from DG-ENER, EiB and CINEA (2 people) led by Rod Janssen who is very active in the EEFIG industry working group.</p> <p>eceee's Zero Carbon Industry featured three parallel thematic panels to outline the drastic transformation needed to achieve a zero-carbon industrial structure. In each of three parallel panels four sessions with a total of 12 presentations were held. Thus, in total 36 presentations were held in the panel sessions, in addition to plenaries and workshops.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Decarbonising processes</li> <li>2. Energy management &amp; innovation</li> <li>3. Policy drivers for change</li> </ol> <p>Decarbonising processes. Decarbonising our industrial sector to contribute to meeting our long-term energy and climate goals is a major challenge. We need to unlock current production practices and transform these to new factories that are less energy and resource intensive; allow to switch to decarbonised energy vectors or facilitate the capture of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. The topic is challenging as industrial plants are capital-intensive and have long lifetimes.</p>



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The panel deals with technologies and strategies and implications for policy, industry and research. One of the key questions is to what extent the industry can be electrified and how green molecules can replace the current fossil-based ones.

**Energy management & innovation.** It has long been pointed out in various sectors that there is an untapped potential for improving energy efficiency through implementing cost-effective measures. Parts of this potential can be understood by recognising that organisations may lack resources for working effectively with energy efficiency. Improving energy efficiency in an organisation is an activity that, like most activities, needs to be well organised and managed. EnMS is evolving and now ISO has created a new standard (ISO 50005) to provide practical guidance to enable organisations to initiate and improve energy management systems through phased implementation. At the same time, there is a need for innovation because business-as-usual is not going to solve our concerns. Innovation can take place in many forms but this panel will focus on supply chain management and the role of digitalisation.

**Policy drivers for change:** While there is much industry can do, there is a need for the right enabling frameworks. This panel discusses industrial policies and programmes, including revised directives and new policy initiatives. It also compares government-led and civil society-led voluntary programmes and analyses financing schemes. This panel aims to assess whether these frameworks manage to connect the economics of business with the reality of climate change. In particular, it examines whether the frameworks make the paradigm shift from fostering incremental improvements to enabling drastic transformation.

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Europe’s industrial context has changed considerably over the last couple of years. The EU has increased its climate ambition to achieve full climate neutrality by 2050, the COVID19 pandemic has perturbed consumer demand and supply chains and, Russia has caused an unprecedented energy crisis.

Industry is a very important element in European economies, generating wealth and employment and plays a key role in achieving Europe’s long-term climate and energy objectives. However, while the improvement of the companies’ processes and operations is a permanent endeavour, there is a common understanding that more drastic transformations are needed to achieve deep decarbonisation. At the same time, industry must remain competitive – within Europe and globally – and become leaders of developing zero-carbon technologies and techniques.

The EU has stepped up its ambitions with the European Green Deal, the ‘Fit for 55’ package and REPowerEU to urgently address the current energy cost and energy security concerns. Achieving energy efficiency improvements, reducing GHG emissions and decarbonising industry becomes a higher priority.

Energy efficiency is key in this change, but a deep transformation goes beyond improved efficiency. Efficiency will have to be paired with new decarbonised processes, electrification, and investments in renewables to power the change in a sustainable way.



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The necessary changes by industry will need to be achieved rapidly to meet decarbonisation targets and the requirement to act both quickly and fundamentally will be highly challenging for each industrial company. The Zero Carbon Industry event will provide insights to the way forward.


Conclusions

Decarbonisation is a major challenge and requires profound transformations of our industrial structure. This also requires significant investments. There are a few presentations that highlight this specifically:  
 The presentation by prof. Lars Nilsson in the opening plenary highlights the complexity in the needed presentation, globally. The Port of Antwerp in the opening plenary also look at how the whole society needs to be involved. The final presentation on H2Green Steel and the industrial transformation in northern Sweden, ends on a positive note: it illustrates how the industrial structural transformation is not only a challenge, but also an opportunity for a whole region to revitalise itself, with people moving in, new highly paid industrial jobs are created and the cities in the region get new life. The presentation from Ademe in the final plenary illustrates that we have many ways to the future, and their 2050 scenarios for France include everything from high-tech, business-as-usual scenarios relaying on technology, to “sufficiency” options for a future decarbonisation where societal shifts include recycling, and smaller dwellings.

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## Programme Day 1 – 22 November

**09.30–10.00 REGISTRATION FOR WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS, MORNING COFFEE**

**10.00–12.00 Pre-Conference workshop: Saving energy in a hurry**  
 Workshop arranged in cooperation with Gold Sponsor [cif](#) and its members in partnership with Fraunhofer ISI and the [DEESME project](#). Moderator: Andreas Guentler, cif.

**10.00–10.20 The case for urgency – the European context**

- Welcome and introduction by Moderator Andreas Guentler.
- Savings in a hurry – legislation in a hurry! – News from the European Commission | [Oronzo Dalozio, European Commission](#)

**10.15–10.35 National initiatives: giving audits leverage**

- National initiatives giving audits leverage – An overview of the situation in various countries | [Robin Barkhausen, Fraunhofer ISI and the DEESME project](#)

**10.40–11.30 glimpses into the toolbox of solutions**

- The instant and large insulation potential of storage tank farms | [Stephan-F. Reichinger, ROCKWOOL Technical Insulation](#)
- Walk the talk at SAINT-GOBAIN – The internal TIPCHECK programme TIP4Best | [Yves Boon, Saint-Gobain Technical Insulation](#)
- The immediate savings possible by adding heat recovery units to cooling equipment | [Thomas Nowak, European Heat Pump Association](#)
- Application efficiency of heat pumps as a solution that can be applied immediately | [Andrea Voigt, Danfoss](#)
- Using data to get actionable input to optimize an industrial company's energy use | [An Bezzar, Enprove](#)

**11.30–12.00 Open microphone**

- Solutions and suggestions from the audience. Very short interventions.








**12.00–13.00. SANDWICH LUNCH FOR WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS, CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

**13.00–14.30 Conference start, Opening plenary**  
 Moderator: [Clemens Rohde, Fraunhofer ISI, eceec vice-President](#)






- Welcome speech, the challenges facing one of EU's largest industrial ports and heavy industry clusters | [Anne-Frédérique Demmerel, Port of Antwerp-Bruges](#).
- Pathways and policies for zero industrial emissions | [Lars Nilsson, Professor of Environmental and Energy Systems Studies at Lund University \(Sweden\)](#).
- EU's strategy for industrial decarbonisation | [Jean Bergevin, European Commission, DG GROW](#).

**14.30–15.00 COFFEE BREAK**



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**15.00–16.30 Parallel panel sessions – block 1**

<p><b>Panel 1: Decarbonising processes</b> Panel leaders: Lisa Neusel, Edmond Minetti Options for decarbonising process heat</p> <p>The Potential and Challenges for Decarbonising Steam: Perspectives from the Metals Industry   Nick Blizias, Mytilineos (GR)</p> <p>Powering industry towards net zero   Sophia Gerik, E.ON (BE)</p> <p>Scenario for a rapid gas phase-out in European Industry   Clemens Schneider (Wuppertal Institute, DE)</p>	<p><b>Panel 2: Energy management and innovation</b> Panel leaders: An Beazur &amp; Queen Johndrow EM3 People Focus: From Management to Excellence</p> <p>Energy Management at SMEs: Building Energy Teams   Dieter Debuscher, European Copper Institute (BE)</p> <p>ISO50005: Opportunity for SMEs?   Christian-Alan, ISI</p> <p>Training for EMS   Mélanique Williams, Secretary General, SMEUnited (TBC)</p>	<p><b>Panel 3: Policy drivers for change</b> Panel leaders: Erwin Cornelis, Ivana Rogulj and Ruben Barthelemy The leap from energy efficiency to climate neutrality</p> <p>Energy efficiency narratives of EEHs   Daniel Becker, Guidehouse</p> <p>Energy Policy Agreements: renewal of Flemish voluntary agreement on energy efficiency   Joris Peckas, Flemish Energy Agency</p> <p>Mainstreaming industrial climate policy in North Rhine-Westphalia   Sebastian Busch, IN4.climate.NRW</p>
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**16.30–17.00 COFFEE BREAK**

**17.00–18.30 Parallel panel sessions – block 2**

<p><b>Panel 1: Decarbonising processes</b> Roadmaps to decarbonisation</p> <p>Pathways to a climate-neutral European chemical industry   Florie Gonssolin - Cefic (BE)</p> <p>Modeling framework implemented in the Ethylene &amp; co Sectoral Transition Plan (STPs)   Michèle Houngbè, Adema (FR)</p> <p>Developing key stress towards a roadmap for the steel industry involving stakeholders   Sonja Arnold-Kayfer - Fraunhofer IZT (DE)</p>	<p><b>Panel 2: Energy management and innovation</b> EM3: The Key Tool for Energy Transition</p> <p>EMS and Energy Storage   Maxime Snick, Octave</p> <p>EMS as a part of smart energy systems   Alex Rothmeil, EnergyPiv (UK)</p>	<p><b>Panel 3: Policy drivers for change</b> Industrial decarbonisation: challenges and opportunities</p> <p>The challenges of decarbonising dispersed industrial sites: can a place-based approach help, and how?   Dr Imogen Rudge, The University of Leeds</p> <p>Product benchmarks – the role of substitutes in achieving the objectives of the ETS (case T-244/21)   Anna Brynjólsson and Andreas Johannsson, MSA</p> <p>CBAM: incentivizing a global level playing field on climate action   Franz Copenholle, Cembureau</p>
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**18.30–20.00 Networking reception in the conference venue lounge area**

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## Programme Day 2 – 23 November

09.00–10.30 Parallel panel sessions – block 3

Panel 1: Decarbonising processes Process shift for decarbonisation	Panel 2: Energy management and innovation EMS technologies: Data and Digitalisation	Panel 3: Policy drivers for change EU policies as driver
Kickstarting the global steel transformation: a business analysis   Clemens Schneider, Wuppertal Institute für Klima, Umwelt, Energie (DE)	EMS as Data Management   An Beasis, Enprova (BE)	The EU ETS under the Fit for 55 Package: How does it negotiate?   Juan Fernando López Mendez, European Roundtable on Climate Change and Sustainable Transition (RE)
Innovative Carbon Capture Options for Industry   Peter Mart (TFC), Green Airport IV (BE)	EMS integrating "heat"   Wim Jacobs, Leve Friction	Civil society's position on Industrial Emissions Directive   Bettina Borenszoff, CleanTech
Decarbonising the Cement sector – the role of CCUS   Dr. Marlene Apen, Heidelberg Materials (DE)		6. Riccardo Alpa, European Environmental Bureau (BE)
		Government of Companies: leading SMEs to climate neutrality   Guido Leno, SME Union

10.30–11.00 COFFEE BREAK

11.00–12.30 Parallel panel sessions – block 4

Panel 1: Decarbonising processes Infrastructure Needs & Costs	Panel 2: Energy management and innovation EMS as Business: Capacity for change	Panel 3: Policy drivers for change Financial levers for industrial decarbonisation
Cluster effects on industrial decarbonisation: Rotterdam   Jan van Duij, TNO (NL)	EMS unlocking financing   Speaker TFC	ETPRG and how to finance the industrial transition   Robert Nijp, DZ ENER (BE)
Societal acceptance – a necessary but often overlooked condition for industrial innovation   Michael Wulker, RWTH EnergyClimate Group (DE)	Transformation of value chains and business models for a low-carbon cement industry: a perspective from France   Elise Mori, Adema (FR)	EU taxonomy: what's in for industrial corporates   Bettina Borenszoff, ENER (DE)
Meeting the right balance in network development   Simon Minart, Chalcoch Energy (BE)	EMS and Accounting (How to calculate energy savings)   Leven Colwyn, JRPSP	Design and interactions of the NL CO <sub>2</sub> levy and SDE++ subsidy scheme: a stick and a carrot   Mari van den Broek, Rijk (NL)
		Assessment of the support mechanisms for energy-intensive companies in Flanders   Tycho Van Houwaert, Bond voor Levensduur



12.30–13.30 LUNCH BREAK

### 13.30–15.00 Workshop: Financing the Industrial transition

This workshop brings together speakers from a European financial institution, a national development bank, a pan-European innovation fund and the European Commission to see how we address that elephant in the room – financing. We will see it through saving a 300 degree perspective – asset managers from industry (large and small), intermediaries such as engineering companies or ESCOs or suppliers, financial institutions and policy makers and programme implementers. We're counting on you, to get involved in this lively discussion.

Panelists:

- Robert Nijp, European Commission, DG ENER (BE)
- Bettina Borenszoff, ENER (DE)
- Georgia Caroli, European Innovation Fund, European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (EINIA)
- Tatiana Botteoli, European Investment Bank (EB)

15.00–15.30 COFFEE BREAK

### 15.30–17.00 Closing plenary

- Successful narratives – and counter-narratives – on energy efficiency. What over 1200 EU energy efficiency experts think, create and do: research work when communicating with policy-makers | Christof Egger, CO2energysparverband (AT)
- Four pathways to reach zero net carbon emissions for France: The role of industry | Olivier Bouzaud, Scientific and technical advisor research and innovation director, Adema, FR
- European Commission's work to support SMEs in the energy transition and the energy cost crisis | Oronzo Deiana, European Commission, CH2A.
- A green industrial revolution in northern Sweden catalysing global decarbonization | Ola Hansson, Public Affairs Director, H2 Green Steel (SE)

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