



CEDEC Congress 2015

## Think Energy Union – Act Local

15 October 2015, 9:00-17:30h,  
EU Thon Hotel, Rue de la Loi 75, 1040 Brussels

*Evening Reception on 14 October 2015, From 19h,  
Théâtre du Vaudeville, 1000 Brussels*

**9:00 – 10:30 High-level Opening:**

**Involve citizens and local actors in the European Energy Union**

Welcome: **Rudi Oss**, CEDEC President and President of Dolomiti Energia

Broadcasted Speech: **Maroš Šefčovič**, European Commission Vice-President for the Energy Union

Panel debate : **Moderator: Gert De Block**, CEDEC Secretary General

**Frederik Wisselink**, Policy Advisor, Department of Energy Markets of the Ministry of Economic Affairs, Upcoming Dutch EU Council Presidency

**Claude Turmes**, Member of the ITRE Committee, Member of the European Parliament (tbc)

**Peter van Kemseke**, Member of Cabinet, European Commission Vice-President for the Energy Union

**Annemarie Jorritsma**, President, Council of European Municipalities and Regions

**Helmut Herdt**, CEO, Stadtwerke Magdeburg, Germany

**10:30 – 11:00 Consumer choice in competitive energy markets: who wins ?**

*Key-note speaker* : **Catherine Waddams**, Professor, University of East Anglia & CERRE

**11:00 - 11:15 Coffee Break**

**11:15-12:45 From Paris 2015 to EU 2030 - Is Europe leading or lagging?**

*Introductory statement*: **Brigitte Knopf**, Secretary General, Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change, Advisor to IPCC

*Moderator*: **Sonja van Renssen**, Journalist, Energy and Environment

**Tom Van Ierland**, Head of Unit Strategy and Economic assessment, DG Climate Action, European Commission

**Gerhard Holtmeier**, CEO, Thüga (Multi-utility company, Germany)

**Serge de Gheldere**, Founder Futureproofed, Partner of “Klimaatzaak”

**Wolfgang Weber**, Vice-President EU Government Relations, BASF Group

**Richard Lavergne**, Advisor to the Director-General for Energy & Climate, Ministry of Sustainable Development, France

**12:45 – 13:45 Lunch Break**

**13:45 - 15:15 Local multi-utilities : Outdated or Innovative?**

*Introductory statement*: **Dr. Marc Nicolai**, Partner, KPMG (Germany)

*Moderator*: **Sonja van Renssen**, Journalist, Energy and Environment

**Paul Rübig**, Member of the ITRE Committee, Member of the European Parliament (tbc)

**Giovanni Valotti**, President, A2A (Multi-utility company, Italy) and Utilitalia

**Frank Vanbrabant**, CEO, Infrax (Multi-utility DSO, Belgium)

**Inete Ielite**, Member of the Sustainable Energy Action Plan Board, Riga

**Eric Houtman**, Member of the Board, National Energy Ombudsmen Network (NEON)

**15:15 - 16:00 Coffee Break**

<b>16:00 - 17:30 Parallel sessions</b>	
<b>Building synergies in local energy infrastructures (heating &amp; cooling, power, natural gas)</b>	<b>Creating flexibility in the energy value chain - Keeping the lights on?</b>
<i>Introductory statement:</i> <b>John Dulac</b> , Energy Analyst, International Energy Agency (IEA)	<i>Introductory statement:</i> <b>Patrick Clerens</b> , Secretary General, European Association for Storage of Energy (EASE)
<i>Moderator:</i> <b>André Jurjus</b> , Vice-President CEDEC; Director, Netbeheer Nederland.	<i>Moderator:</i> <b>Gert De Block</b> , Secretary General CEDEC
<b>Eva Hoos</b> , Policy officer, Energy Efficiency Unit, DG Energy, European Commission	<b>Jan Panek</b> , Head of Unit, Retail Markets, Coal and Oil, DG Energy, European Commission
<b>Birger Lauersen</b> , Manager International Affairs, Dansk Fjernvarme (District Heating Association, Denmark)	<b>Valeria Termini</b> , Commissioner, Aeegsi; Vice-President, Council of European Energy Regulators (CEER)
<b>David Denzer-Speck</b> , Head of Brussels Office, KfW Bank, Germany	<b>Bente Hagem</b> , Chair of the Board, ENTSO-E
<b>Hubert Pauli</b> , LINZ AG (Multi-utility company, Austria)	<b>Jan van Oorschot</b> , Managing Director Clients & Markets, Liander (DSO, The Netherlands)
<b>Denis Mathieu</b> , Director, URM, Metz (Multi-utility DSO, France)	<b>Björn Ter Bruggen</b> , General Counsel, Elinorr (DSO, Sweden)