



## EUROPEAN HYDROGEN FORUM

*Kick-starting the EU hydrogen industry to achieve the EU climate goals*

26 - 27 November 2020

Online Event

THURSDAY, 26 NOVEMBER

**09:00 - 09:05** Welcome and moderation

Bart Biebuyck, Executive Director, Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH JU)

**09:05 - 09:15** Keynote Speech

Thierry Breton, European Commissioner for Internal Market

**09:15 - 09:25** Keynote Speech

Kadri Simson, European Commissioner for Energy

**09:25 - 09:35** Keynote Speech

Valerie Bouillon-Delporte, President of Hydrogen Europe, Chair of the FCH JU Governing Board

**09:35 - 09:50** How to speed up the path to Clean Hydrogen commercial viability

Martin Tengler, Lead Hydrogen Analyst, BloombergNEF

**09:50 - 10:15** Policy discussion

moderated by Thierry Breton, European Commissioner for the Internal Market

Peter Altmaier, Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy, Germany

João Galamba, Deputy Minister and Secretary of State for Energy, Portugal

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**10:15 - 10:30 Smart Talk: “Clean Hydrogen, climate neutrality and energy efficiency: what is the right mix?”**

Interview by Mauro Petriccione, Director-General for Climate Action (DG CLIMA), European Commission

of Ad van Wijk, Professor for Energy, Groningen University

**10:30 - 10:45 Keynote Speech**

Frans Timmermans, Executive Vice-President for the European Green Deal, First Vice-President of the European Commission

**10:45 - 11:50 Panel discussion: Clean hydrogen for a green recovery**

introduced and moderated by Ditte Juul Jørgensen, Director-General for Energy (DG ENER), European Commission

Panel members:

- The Hydrogen Valley perspective: Nienke Homan, Regional Minister for Energy Transition (a.o.), Province of Groningen, The Netherlands (tbc)
- ITRE Committee perspective: Cristian-Silviu Buşoi, MEP, Chair of ITRE Committee
- The Climate perspective: William Todts, Executive Director, Transport & Environment
- The Society perspective: Ester Asin, Director European Policy Office, World Wildlife Fund for Nature
- The Employment perspective: Luca Visentini, General Secretary, European Trade Union Confederation
- The Renewables perspective: Francesco Starace, Chief Executive Officer, ENEL

**11:50 - 12:05 Smart Talk: “430€ billion invested in Hydrogen by 2030 - in what?”**

Interview by Ditte Juul Jørgensen, Director-General for Energy (DG ENER), European Commission

of Jorgo Chatzimarkakis, Secretary General, Hydrogen Europe

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**12:05 - 13:15** **Panel discussion: European Clean Hydrogen Alliance - Vision and way ahead**  
introduced and moderated by Thierry Breton, European Commissioner for Internal  
Market

Panel members: The Chairs of the 6 Round-Tables of the Alliance  
*Names to be announced after the Round Tables are constituted*

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**13:15 - 13:45** **Break**

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**13:45 - 14:00** **Smart Talk: “What are the key areas for using hydrogen in decarbonisation?”**

Interview by Kerstin Jorna, Director-General for Internal Market, Industry,  
Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW), European Commission

of Doreen Fedrigo, Climate And Industry Coordinator, CAN - Climate Action Network  
Europe

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**14:00 - 14:10** **Message from the European Parliament**

Jens Geier, MEP, Rapporteur for “A Hydrogen Strategy for a Climate-neutral Europe”,  
ITRE Committee

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**14:10 - 14:25** **Smart Talk: “How to get green hydrogen from the place of production to the place  
of use”**

Interview by Tudor Constantinescu, Principal Adviser to the Director General for Energy,  
European Commission

of Paul Hodson, Head of Unit for Energy Storage, Joint Research Centre of the European  
Commission

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**14:25 - 14:35** **Keynote Speech**

Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education  
and Youth

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**14:35 - 15:45 Panel discussion: R&I to support and boost the development of the EU Hydrogen economy**

introduced and moderated by Jean-Eric Paquet, Director-General for Research and Innovation (DG RTD), European Commission

Panel members:

- Christian Ehler, Member of the European Parliament
- Herald Ruijters, Director "Investment, Innovative and Sustainable Transport", DG MOVE, European Commission
- Marta Maroño, Senior Researcher, CIEMAT
- Jon-Andre Løkke, Chief Executive Officer, NEL
- Patrícia Vasconcelos, Chief Executive Officer, CaetanoBus
- Laurent Antoni, President, Hydrogen Europe Research

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**15:45 - 16:00 Smart Talk: "From Start-up to Shooting Star in 5 years!"**

Interview by Patrick Child, Deputy Director-General for Research and Innovation (DG RTD), European Commission

of Franz Teichmann, Chief Executive Officer, Hydrogenious

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**16.00 - 16.15 Smart Talk: "The role of regional funding in accelerating the hydrogen economy"**

Interview by Marc Lemaitre, Director-General for Regional and Urban Policy (DG REGIO)

*Interviewed speaker to be announced*

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**16:15 - 17:25 Panel discussion: Financing Hydrogen projects**  
introduced and moderated by Kerstin Jorna, Director-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW), European Commission

Panel members:

- Thierry Lepercq, Founder, Soladvent
- Jan-Marc Peterschmitt, Managing Director, Industry, Commerce & Agribusiness, European Bank for Reconstruction & Development
- Maria Teresa Fabregas Fernandez, Director for Recovery and Resilience II, Secretariat-General of the European Commission
- Peter van Ees, Banker Renewable Energy, ABN AMRO
- Kees Koolen, Investor, Founder of Koolen Industries
- Shiva Dustar, Head of Innovation Finance, European Investment Bank

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**17:25 - 17:40 Smart Talk: “What can we learn from the European Batteries Alliance?”**

Interview by Maive Rute, Deputy Director-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW), European Commission

of Diego Pavia, Director, KIC INNO Energy

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**17:40 - 17:50 Wrap-up of the first day**

Kerstin Jorna, Director-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW), European Commission

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**17:50 - 18:20 Virtual cocktail tables**

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FRIDAY, 27 NOVEMBER

Open for members of the European Clean Hydrogen Alliance ONLY

**09:30- 09:35 Welcome and moderation**

Jorgo Chatzimarkakis, Secretary General, Hydrogen Europe

**09:35 - 09:45 Important Projects of Common European Interest (IPCEI) on Hydrogen**

Demos Spatharis, Head of Unit for R&D&I, IPCEI and environment, DG COMP, European Commission

**09:45 - 09:55 National Calls for Expression of Interest - Status**

Christian Weinberger, Hydrogen Coordinator, DG GROW, European Commission

**09:55 - 10.05 ETS Innovation Fund - Status**

Christian Holzleitner, Head of Unit for Finance for Innovation, DG CLIMA, European Commission

**10:05 - 10:15 Question & Answer Session**

**10:15 - 12:30 Hydrogen projects in the pipeline**

moderated by Christian Weinberger, Hydrogen Coordinator, DG GROW, European Commission

Presentations of projects (5 min each):

- Resulting from National Calls for expression of interest
- Clean Hydrogen Alliance Members' proposals
- Multi-country hydrogen projects

**12:30 - 13:00 Break**

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## 13:00 - 14:00 Six Parallel Sessions, per each round-table of the Clean Hydrogen Alliance - led by co-chairs

- Clean Hydrogen Production
- Hydrogen Transmission and Distribution
- Hydrogen Mobility Applications
- Hydrogen Applications in Industry
- Hydrogen Applications in the Energy Sector
- Residential Hydrogen Applications

## 14:00 - 17:00 Matchmaking parallel sessions

### Session A Matchmaking tables

Bookable online one-on-one meetings between project partners, companies and interested investors

### Session B Investors pitching

### Session C Presentations of projects (continuation of the morning session)

## 17:00 - 17:30 Final takeaways - Closing Panel discussion

Moderated by Slawomir Tokarski, Director, Industrial Policy and Innovation, DG GROW, European Commission

Panel members:

William Stevens, Founder, Tech Tour

Tudor Constantinescu, Principal Adviser to the Director-General for Energy

Jorgo Chatzimarkakis, Secretary General, Hydrogen Europe

Bart Biebuyck, Executive Director, Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH JU)