



Eurogas Renewable Gas Conference
1 July 2026, 14:00-18:00, Jeux d'Hiver (Brussels)
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Advancing Europe's strategic autonomy: Renewable gases for a competitive industry, clean maritime transport, and affordable heating

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Agenda

13:30 Registration & welcome coffee

14:00 Opening by the Moderator

Sonja van Renssen, Chief Strategy Officer, Carbon Pulse

14:05 Welcome speech

Cristian Signoretto, Eurogas President

14:10 Keynote speech

Edith Hofer, Deputy Head of Unit, Decarbonisation and Sustainability of Energy Sources, ENER C.2, European Commission

14:20 Clean energy, competitive industry: hydrogen and biomethane for industrial decarbonisation

Industrial competitiveness is now at the heart of EU debates on the Green Deal Industrial Plan and strategic autonomy. The EU ETS is one of Europe's most successful climate policies and a cornerstone of its decarbonisation strategy, but it is under growing pressure due to concerns about competitiveness and investment leakage. This panel will address how Europe can maintain an effective and predictable ETS while responding to legitimate industrial concerns, and what role renewable and low-carbon gases and industrial carbon management solutions can play in giving hard-to-abate sectors a credible decarbonisation pathway.

Iva Ganev, Environment and Climate Policy Manager, Glass for Europe

Jelmer Schut, Business Developer CCS, Biomethane & Hydrogen, Tata Steel Nederland

Nick Bitsios, Head of Brussels Office, Metlen Energy & Metals

Giusi Squicciarini, General Manager Regulatory Affairs, Shell Energy Europe

15:10 Coffee & networking break

15:40 Opportunities and challenges for bio-LNG in the maritime sector

John Cosmo Dwelle, Managing Director, Anew Climate Europe

15:50 Clean Fuels, competitive shipping: unlocking Renewable and Low-Carbon Gases

The EU's Clean Industrial Deal identifies decarbonising the shipping sector as a top priority and opens important new opportunities for clean maritime fuels. FuelEU Maritime, the Industrial Maritime Strategy and the upcoming Union Database are designed to promote renewable and low-carbon fuels, provide clearer investment signals, support the integration of these fuels across EU and the deployment of bunkering and related infrastructure in EU ports. This panel will look at how these initiatives will contribute to Europe's strategic autonomy, interact with IMO regulations, as well as how industry and EU policymakers can make the most of them to accelerate the uptake of renewable and low-carbon gas fuels for shipping, strengthen Europe's maritime competitiveness and deliver meaningful emissions cuts along key trade corridors.

Annika Kroon, Head of Unit, Maritime Transport & Logistics, DG MOVE, European Commission
Caroline Braun, Vice President Business Development & Policy, Anew Climate Europe
Haruna Yoshida, Sustainability Manager, NYK Bulkship (Atlantic) NV
Stefano Murace, Policy Advisor, Eurogas

16:40 Clean energy, affordable heating: will gas play a role in Europe's decarbonised building sector?

The EU's heating and cooling transition is both an environmental necessity and an opportunity to keep energy bills under control for households and businesses. Europe's diverse building stock, climates and local infrastructures mean a one-size-fits-all approach is unlikely to deliver the fastest or most cost-effective emissions cuts. This panel will look at how an integrated, multi-energy and multi-technology strategy – combining efficiency, electrification, district solutions and renewable and low-carbon gases – can accelerate decarbonisation while enhancing system flexibility. Panellists will discuss how to use the evolving EU heating and cooling framework to enable local choices, unlock investments and scale solutions that work for consumers, industry and networks alike.

Monica Di Pinti, Public Affairs Director, European Heating Industry (EHI)
Dante Powell, Innovation Manager, ENTSG
Nevin Alija, EU Affairs Manager, Floene
Valérie Séjourné, Managing Director, Solar Heat Europe

17:30 Closing keynote

Jens Geier, Member of ITRE Committee, European Parliament

17:40 Concluding remarks

Andreas Guth, Secretary General, Eurogas

17:50-18:00 End