

EASAC LAUNCH EVENT FOR DECARBONISATION OF BUILDINGS (2nd June 2021)

PANELLISTS

Ciarán Cuffe – MEP and President of EURFORES

- A member of the European Green party and has represented the constituency of Dublin, Ireland since July 2019.
- He holds degrees in both architecture and planning
- He served as Minister of State responsible for climate change, sustainable travel and planning.
- In 2020, he was rapporteur for a European Parliament (ITRE committee) report on “maximising the energy efficiency potential of the EU building stock”
- He has recently become president of European Forum for Renewable Energy Sources (EUFORES), a European parliamentary network working to promote collaboration in renewable energy implementation and energy efficiency policies.

Stefan Moser - European Commission DG ENER

- Head of Unit for Buildings and Products in DG Energy.
- Trained in economics and law
- Joined the Commission in 2000 in DG Competition, working on the issue of state aid to financial institutions.
- He went on to work in DG Environment on greenhouse gas emissions trading, transport emissions and air quality.
- He has also dealt with policy coordination in the Secretariat-General on climate, energy, environment, transport, agriculture and maritime policies.

Ralf Goldmann - European Investment Bank

- Joined the EIB in 2007 and is the current head of the Energy Efficiency and Energy Advisory division in the Projects Directorate of the Bank.
- Before joining the EIB, he worked as an energy consultant and with a regional energy agency on energy efficiency and structuring energy performance contracting projects in the public sector.
- Ralf holds a degree in mechanical engineering and thermodynamics.

Paolo Bertoldi - European Commission JRC

- Principal Administrator at the European Commission Directorate General Joint Research Centre.
- He manages research activities for energy efficiency policy, the efficient use of electricity, and innovative policy instruments.
- Previously he was Administrator with the European Commission, DG TREN, responsible for European Union (EU) regulatory and voluntary programs for the rational use of energy in end-use equipment, buildings and industry.
- He holds a Doctorate in Electrical Engineering from the University of Padova (Italy).

Paul Cartuyvels - European Construction Technology Platform (ECTP)

- Paul is Director of BOUYGUES Europe, representing the BOUYGUES Group in Brussels
- He is the President of the [ECTP](#) which brings together around 140 members from across the whole Construction sector value chain. ECTP co-led the Energy Efficient Buildings Public Private Partnership (EeB PPP) with the Commission during FP7 and Horizon 2020. It is now one of the leaders of the Built 4 People Partnership (B4P) proposal within Horizon Europe.

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- Within the Smart Cities Marketplace of the Commission, Paul is the Leader of the Action Cluster on Sustainable Districts and Built Environment, regularly holding workshops presenting projects around low environmental impact of buildings.
- Prior to joining Bouygues in 2000, Paul worked as Parliamentary assistant at the EP, for the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) in Malawi and Senegal, and for the European Commission in Canada.
- He holds a degree in Bioengineering from the University of Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium)

Mariangiola Fabbri – BPIE

- Head of Research at the Buildings Performance Institute Europe.
- Her experience of working in energy efficiency and climate change policy analysis spans fifteen years.
- Prior to joining BPIE, Mariangiola worked as an energy consultant at Dunsy Energy Consulting in Montreal, carrying out research on energy efficiency financing, and market transformation.
- She was also Senior Policy Officer at the WWF European Policy Office in Brussels, leading the organisation's energy efficiency work, including policy implementation, the recast of the EPBD and the Climate and Energy Package.
- She has a Masters in Environmental Law and a Masters in European Political and Administrative Studies, and served on the board of CAN-Europe and Topten International Group.

Monica Frassoni - European Alliance to Save Energy

- Brought up and educated in Italy, Monica has worked in Brussels since 1987.
- She was the founder and, since 2010, President of the European Alliance to Save Energy, which promotes energy efficiency across Europe.
- From 1999 to 2010, Monica served as a Member of the European Parliament where she was co-chair of the European Greens – European Free Alliance group.
- Monica also works as an adviser to TENERO, as President of the Conseil Communal Ixelles and as President of the European Centre for Electoral Support in Brussels.

Sorcha Edwards - Housing Europe

- Secretary General of Housing Europe, the European Federation of Public, Cooperative and Social Housing, which is a network of 46 national and regional federations in 25 countries, including 19 EU member states. It gathers about 43,000 public, social and cooperative housing providers, that together manage around 25 million homes.
- Sorcha has a strong track record of promoting inclusive housing policies and a fair energy transition in the EU and across Europe for more than 15 years, including valuable project work for the Intelligent Energy Europe programme.
- She has a Post Graduate Certificate focused on Advanced Environmental and Energy Studies from the Centre for Alternative Technology/East London University.

Professor Christina Moberg - EASAC President

- EASAC president since January 2020
- Professor emeritus of organic chemistry at the Royal Technical University in Stockholm, Sweden (KTH)
- Since 1998 she has also been a Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences.
- She conducted her PHD in organic chemistry and became a professor at KTH in 1997.

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Dr William Gillett - Director of EASAC Energy Programme

- He has worked for the European Commission for 14 years
- Most recently he was a Coordinator Energy and Climate in the Commission's Executive Agency for Small and Medium Enterprises (EASME).
- Before joining the Commission, he worked for 7 years in the UK national energy agency (ETSU) and for 11 years in a private consulting company.
- Prior to moving into the private sector, he was a lecturer in mechanical engineering and energy studies at University College Cardiff, where he helped to manage a team of 20 researchers working on sustainable energy.
- He is a Chartered Mechanical and Electrical Engineer, Fellow of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, Fellow of the Institute of Energy, and Member of the Institution of Engineering and Technology.

Professor Brian Norton - Royal Irish Academy and EASAC Project Leader

- Head of Energy Research, Tyndall National Institute, University of Cork and Professor of Solar Energy Applications at the Technological University, Dublin
- Brian is a Member of the Royal Irish Academy and serves on EASAC Council and on the EASAC Energy Steering Panel.
- Fellow of Energy Institute and Engineers Ireland, UK Higher Education Academy and an Honorary Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers (CIBSE).
- He is an Honorary Professor at University of Ulster, Harbin Institute of Technology and Beihang University in China, and University of Houston, USA.
- Originally qualified as a physicist at University of Nottingham, he holds doctorates in engineering from Cranfield University and the University of Nottingham.

Professor Wim van Saarloos - EASAC Vice President

- Professor of theoretical physics at the Instituut-Lorentz, University of Leiden.
- Wim is Vice President of EASAC, and chair of the EASAC Energy Steering Panel.
- After joining AT&T Bell Laboratories in the USA as a researcher, he returned to Leiden University in the Netherlands in 1991 where his research focused on statistical physics and condensed matter physics.
- While in Leiden he founded and directed the Lorenz Center (1997-2009), an international workshop centre in the sciences. In 2009, he became Director of the national foundation for Fundamental Research on Matter (FOM) in the Netherlands.
- He was President of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences KNAW from January 2017 until he stepped down in June 2020.

Professor Maria da Graça Carvalho - MEP

- Member of the European Parliament since 2019, where she is actively engaged in ITRE, IMCO, FEMM, PECH and AIDA committees
- Co-chairing the parliamentary intergroup on Long-term, Sustainable Investments and Competitive European Industry.
- Chair of the Board of Directors of Instituto Francisco Sá Carneiro.
- Full Professor at the Instituto Superior Técnico (University of Lisbon).
- Senior advisor of Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation Carlos Moedas
- Member of the European Parliament (2009 to 2014), rapporteur for Horizon 2020
- Principal Adviser to President Barroso in the fields of Science, Higher Education, Innovation, Research Policy, Energy, Environment and Climate Change.
- Served twice as a Minister of Science and Higher Education of the XV and XVI Constitutional Government of Portugal.