

## ETN Monthly News Summary – February 2015

### **ETN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND WORKSHOP**

**The ETN Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on 21-22 April 2015 in Dublin, Ireland.** This year's AGM will be particularly interesting to attend as 2015 marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the creation of ETN.

**Registration:** To register, [click here](#).

**Accommodation:** ETN has negotiated rates for rooms (including breakfast, Wi-Fi access and VAT) at the Radisson Blu Royal at EUR 190.00 per night. ETN was able to extend the deadline for room booking until **7 March 2015** (on first come, first served basis). Please complete the hotel form (attached to this email) and send it to [reservations.royal.dublin@radissonblu.com](mailto:reservations.royal.dublin@radissonblu.com).

**Agenda:** [Click here](#) to see the updated agenda. Please note that you need to be logged in to the Members' Area of [ETN's website](#).

### **NEW ETN VIDEO SECTION**

**ETN has published promotional videos and individual interviews on its website!** ETN's new video section features clips describing the association and the current market and presents interviews with senior ETN members, high-level representatives of oil & gas companies outside Europe, policy-makers, journalists and more. All videos are available on the [ETN website](#) as well as on ETN's Youtube channel.

### **BOARD MEETING**

**The ETN Board members met on 25 February in Brussels** to discuss issues of strategic importance and evaluate ETN's activities since December 2014. The meeting focused on the future strategy of ETN, discussing potential new ideas and proposals. The revised proposal will be presented and discussed with ETN members at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 21-22 April 2015 in Dublin, Ireland. The next Board meeting will take place prior to the AGM on the morning of 21 April 2015.

### **TECHNICAL COMMITTEE AND PROJECT UPDATES**

**SOLFLEX Project:** The ETN office received the Evaluation Summary Report from the European Commission on the SOLFLEX project proposal (stage 2). Due to high competition and high evaluation criteria, the project was not selected for EU-funding. Opportunities for resubmission under future calls are being explored.

**Air Filtration Project:** The partners of the Air Filtration Project met in Brussels to define a roadmap for the cooperation with the ISO/TC 142 and to report on new project developments within the group. During the meeting, Users and OEMs also presented air filtration issues and topics of interest related to their fleets in order to identify the most important/common issues. The project group members are now working to identify topics not covered by ISO in order to define the scope of the ETN air filtration standard during the next meeting. For more information on this project, please [click here](#).

**Exhaust Systems Project:** The Exhaust Systems Project members will meet on 23 March in order to discuss the final review of ETN Exhaust Systems Standard, which will be submitted to the ISO Committee in April 2015. For more information on this project, please [click here](#).

**Select your TC!** If you have not already done so, please let us know which Technical Committee (TC) you are interested in by filling in this [Doodle](#). The list of interested representatives per TC will then be provided to the Technical Committees' Chairs and Co-chairs.



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## **EU POLICY UPDATES**

**Emissions Trading System:** A draft law to reform the EU Emission Trading Scheme (ETS), aimed at reducing the surplus of carbon credits available for trading in order to artificially boost the price, was backed by Environment Committee (ENVI) members in a vote on Tuesday, 24 February. The MEPs were in favor of introducing early the mechanism known as MSR (Market Stability Reserve), by the end of 2018, three years earlier than the European Commission's proposal. Members of the ENVI Committee gave the Rapporteur (MEP Belet) green light to begin trilogue negotiations with the Council, based on the amended draft report. However, the trilogue will only begin once the Council adopts its position.

**Energy Union:** On 25 February, the European Commission (EC) presented a proposal for a future Energy Union, a non-binding document outlining a wide range of initiatives to foster an EU-wide energy policy allowing for a free flow of energy throughout the EU territory. Although the idea of a common EU energy policy is not new in Brussels, it is the geopolitical situation on EU's eastern border which lifted Europe's energy security on top of EU's agenda.

The energy Union plan consists of five main close interrelated dimensions: 1) Enhancing EU security of supply; 2) Building a single energy market which is highly competitive; 3) Increasing energy efficiency; 4) Reducing energy production pollution by decarbonising our economies; 5) Boosting renewable energies by investing in R&D. As the EU treaty protects member states' power to control their own energy mixes, it is limiting the EC's power to force change. Therefore, the real impact of the energy union remains to be seen once more concrete proposals are tabled. Until then, the biggest uncertainty is whether the Member States have the political will to harmonise their national strategies.

## **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING GT EVENTS**

### **Events:**

- **International Prestige Lecture on Advanced Gas Path Diagnostics: Opportunities & Challenges in GT:** 10 March 2015, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- **ETN Annual General Meeting and Workshop:** 21-22 April 2015, Dublin, Ireland
- **European HRSG Forum:** 11-13 May 2015, Munich, Germany
- **Power Gen Europe:** 9-11 June 2015, Amsterdam, The Netherlands (*ETN members are entitled to a special discount*)
- **ASME Turbo Expo:** 15-19 June 2015, Montreal, Canada (*ETN members are entitled to a special discount*)
- **2015 Industrial Application of GT Symposium:** 19-21 October 2015, Banff, Canada
- **Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Course:** 22 June 2015, Cranfield, United Kingdom
- **ETN October Workshop:** 21-22 October 2015 (location to be confirmed)
- **International Gas Turbine Congress:** 15-20 November 2015, Tokyo, Japan

### **ETN internal meetings:**

- **ETN Project Board:** 3 March 2015, Brussels, Belgium
- **Exhaust Systems Project:** 23 March 2015 (location tbd)
- **ETN Board Meeting:** 21 April 2015, Dublin, Ireland
- **ETN Board Meeting:** 1 July 2015, Brussels, Belgium
- **ETN Project Board and TC Chairs meeting:** 26-27 November 2015, Brussels, Belgium

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***ETN's Quarterly Newsletter is circulated to members and external contacts every quarter. The next edition will be April-June 2015.***