

Raw Materials Week

12-16 November 2018



6th annual High Level Conference of the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) on Raw Materials

“Raw materials for low carbon and circular economy” and “A decade of the Raw Materials Initiative”

14 November 2018

Le Plaza Hotel (Boulevard Adolphe Max 118-126, 1000 Bruxelles)

The 6th High level conference of the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) on raw materials is the main event of the Raw Materials Week 2018, which takes place on 14 November 2018. The topic of the conference is the ‘Raw materials for low carbon and circular economy’ focused on the battery value chain, cascading of woody biomass and raw materials for energy-intensive industries. The conference will also give an overview of successes of the EU Raw Materials Initiative over the decade since its launch, as well as challenges ahead.

08.00-09.00 **Registration**

09.00-09.30 **Networking coffee**

09.30-11.20 **High Level Panel: What can we do to secure raw materials for strong industrial value chains in Europe? – Moderated by Ms Jackie Davis**

Pressure on resource use will increase. The EU will face strong competition from fast-growing economies on the global raw materials market. Sustainable, responsible production and sourcing of raw materials for downstream industries will play a bigger role at the global level. The transition to a low carbon economy means that a sustainable and secure supply of non-energy raw materials will become more critical as the relative importance of fossil fuels declines. The High-Level Panel will focus on (non-energy) raw materials as the key enablers of all value industrial chains in the EU and globally.

Welcome by Ms **Lowri Evans**, Director-General, Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, DG GROW, EC

Welcome by Austrian Presidency - Ms **Elisabeth Köstinger**, Austrian Minister for Sustainability and Tourism (tbc)

Panel discussion

Mr **Sami Andoura**, European Political Strategy Centre (EPSC)

Ms **Saori Dubourg**, Member of the Board of Executive Directors of BASF SE; Member of the High Level Industrial Roundtable "Industry 2030" (tbc)

Ms **Elspeith Hathaway**, Policy Adviser, IndustriAll Europe

Ms **Ligia Noronha**, UN Environment (tbc)

11.20-11.50 **Coffee break**

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11.50-13.00 Session I: Raw materials for battery value chain – Chaired by Mr **Gwenole Cozigou**, Director, Industrial Transformation and Advanced Value Chains, DG GROW, EC

Batteries are a key enabling technology for e-mobility and energy storage. The objective of the session is to present the EU Battery Alliance and its Action Plan to develop a robust, innovative and sustainable full batteries ecosystem in Europe. The challenge of creating a competitive and sustainable battery manufacturing industry is immense, and Europe to catch up with the fierce competition has to strengthen all steps of battery value-chain, starting from the first one – ensuring a secure and sustainable supply of battery raw materials to the battery manufacturing industry.

Keynote - Mr **Said El Khadraoui**, European Political Strategy Centre

Mr **Peter Handley**, Head of Unit, Resource Efficiency and Raw Materials, DG GROW, EC

Mr **Jan Tytgat**, Director Government Affairs EU-Benelux, Umicore

Ms **Alice Pedretti**, Drive Sustainability

Ms **Ulla Lassi**, University of Oulu

Interactive Session – Q&A

13.00-14.00 Buffet networking lunch

14.00-15.30 Session II: Wood cascade – Chaired by Ms **Malwina Nowakowska-Ketterle**, Deputy Head of Unit, Resource Efficiency and Raw Materials, DG GROW, EC

The objective of the session is to demonstrate how cascading use of woody biomass strengthens the transition to low-carbon circular bio-economy while simultaneously offering a competitive edge to European industries, and jobs and growth in the EU regions.

Ms **Malwina Nowakowska-Ketterle**, Deputy Head of Unit, Resource Efficiency and Raw Materials, DG GROW, EC

Ms **Kristen Haggart**, Waugh Thistleton Architects, UK

Mr **Sebastien Ricard**, Head of Sustainable Environment and Public Affairs, Paprec, FR

The informed citizen – awareness-raising information campaigns, tbc

Interactive Session – Q&A

15.30-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-17.30 Session III: Raw materials for clean energy intensive industries of the future – Chaired by Mr **Peter Handley**, Head of Unit, Resource Efficiency and Raw Materials, DG GROW, EC

European core energy intensive industries (manufacture of pulp and paper, manufacture of chemicals and refining, manufacture of non-metallic mineral products, iron and steel and non-

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ferrous metals) are important industries for the European economy. Nevertheless, they are facing challenges in making the transition to a low-carbon and circular economy by 2050 while remaining globally competitive. Most of these industries have prepared 2050 roadmaps which include the aspect of the use of raw materials as they take part in the transition to a low-carbon circular economy. This aspect is also relevant in view of the EU's 2050 low emission strategy, which is required by 2020 under the Paris Agreement.

Mr **Marco Mensink**, CEFIC

Mr. **Thomas Bünger**, Member of the Executive Board of Aurubis AG;

Wind Europe - tbc

Ms **Monica Frassoni**, European Alliance to Save Energy

Interactive Session – Q&A

17.30 – 17.40 **Closing remarks** by Mr **Peter Handley**, Head of Unit, Resource Efficiency and Raw Materials, DG GROW, EC

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