



## Energy Efficiency & Renewables

Round Tables

# WORKSHOP

## ROUND TABLES WITH THE FOOD & BEVERAGE SECTOR

### INVITATION

#### FIRST ROUND TABLE: BARRIERS TO AND SOLUTIONS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY IN THE FOOD AND BEVERAGE SECTOR

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The European Commission is closely looking at pathways to decarbonise the European society. This Low-Carbon Europe 2050 debate needs to involve stakeholders from all the sectors of the industry and the European Commission has initiated a special set of round tables to have a dialogue with the representatives of the diverse food and beverage sector.

While the food and beverage sector has regularly taken significant steps to optimise its energy demand and to green its energy supply, continuous decarbonisation still remains a challenge.

Barriers often stand in the way of taking energy efficiency measures or deploying renewable energy and by organising four meetings of round tables, the European Commission is committed to better understand these.

The objective will be to discuss the barriers and to possible solutions in terms of policy, finance, sector coupling and others, that could be put in place on the local, national or EU level.

You are invited to the first round table in the series of four which will take place in Brussels on October 22nd 2018. During this, we will identify the most important barriers for small, medium and large companies across the European Union, and the best strategies to overcome these.

The next round tables are planned to take place over the course of 2019 and will target specifically the most outstanding barriers and solutions identified during the first round table. This interactive exchange will serve to exchange common ideas and future visions about affordable energy efficiency.

#### 9h00-10h00 - REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE

Poll amongst the participants: the most important elements determining investments in energy efficiency and in renewable energy, name two:  
Benefits? Barriers? Solutions to overcome the barriers?

#### INTRODUCTION

10h00-10h10 Introduction to the EU heating and cooling strategy and the role of round tables in this strategy  
Keynote speech by **Paul Hodson** (DG ENER - Head of Energy Efficiency Unit)

10h10-10h25 Introduction to this series of roundtables  
- Motivation to select the food and beverage sector  
Profile of the food and beverage sector  
- Socio-economic indicators  
- Track record in deployment of energy efficiency and renewable energy projects  
Speaker: **Erwin Cornelis** (DG ENER)

10h25-10h40 Climate action of the European Food and Drink Industry  
Speaker: **Tom Quintelier** (FoodDrinkEurope)

10h40-11h10 Investing in energy efficiency and renewable energy: benefits, barriers, solutions  
Reflection on the poll; evidence from best practices  
Speaker: **Erwin Cornelis** (Tractebel)

#### 11h10-11h30 - COFFEE BREAK

#### SHOWCASES OF BEST PRACTICES

11h30-11h50 Presentation of best performing companies  
- Alpro, BE  
- All other customers interested  
Speaker: **Dominique Hamerlinck** (Alpro, BE)

11h50-12h30 Which practices in the food and beverage sector have been tested in the H2020 projects?  
- SCOoPe project (<https://scoope.eu/>) - **Gema Millán** (CIRCE, ES)  
- INDUCE project (<https://www.induce2020.eu/>) - **Koen Straver** (TNO, NL)  
- TrustEE project (<https://www.trust-ee.eu/>) - **Christoph Brunner** (AEE, AT)

#### 12h30- 13h30 - LUNCH

#### INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP

13h30-13h40 Introduction to the workshop - Speaker: **Erwin Cornelis** (Tractebel)

13h40-14h40 **SESSION 1:** What does not allow companies to invest in energy efficiency and renewable energy projects? How does it differ based on size and local circumstances? - 40 min discussion in groups - 20 min plenary discussion  
Speaker: All

#### 14h40-15h00 - COFFEE BREAK

15h00-16h00 **SESSION 2:** How to support companies in energy efficiency and renewable energy investments? By which means should this support be provided at? Which concrete action can this series of round tables propose to make a difference? - 40 min discussion in groups - 20 min plenary discussion  
Speaker: All

#### 16h00-16h30 CONCLUSIONS

- Wrap up of the conclusions of the day - **Erwin Cornelis** (Tractebel)  
- Next steps: topics to be included in the next roundtables - **Karlis Goldstein** (DG ENER)  
- Feedback from the participants on this round table - All  
- Closing remarks - **Karlis Goldstein** (DG ENER)

#### 16h30 - END OF THE ROUNDTABLE