CLEAN ENERGY INDUSTRIAL FORUM

MISSION STATEMENT

Building on the valuable work by the Clean Energy Industrial Forum on Renewables, the renewed Forum is established to help achieve the EU Green Deal’s 2030 ambitions. The current growth rate of the EU’s clean energy industry is not sufficient to deliver and integrate the volumes of renewable energy required to achieve at least 55% GHG reductions by 2030 and deliver the EU’s objectives of reliable, affordable and sustainable clean energy for all. The pace of manufacturing capacity growth, innovation and training of a skilled workforce must increase along with the uptake of smart technologies and services that can help integrate more renewable energy in all end-use sectors. This will enable the whole value chain to fully play its part clean energy transformation – from extractive and manufacturing sectors to renewable power and heat generation to system integration services. The Forum sets itself the mission to put the sector back on this trajectory, and specifically to double the annual growth of the clean energy industry in Europe by 2024 compared to period 2010-2020.

The Forum will bring together a selected number of CEOs and leaders of the clean energy industry and meet under the chairmanship of the Commissioner for Energy. The companies represented in the Forum embrace the ambitious clean energy targets set by the Commission and commit to step up their efforts in order to help the EU achieve those targets.

The Forum will work to:

- Identify manufacturing challenges that affect the competitiveness of the EU industry and possible ways to address them;
- Identify common regulatory barriers and provide input for future policy recommendations to overcome those barriers and facilitate the deployment of clean energy in the light of the current and possible future regulatory set up;
- Communicate about recent developments and innovations in the clean energy industry and promote further outreach.
- Collate and aggregate data to establish a full picture of the EU clean energy sector, and identify any gaps or limited progress in the competitiveness of the EU clean energy industry;

The high-level meetings of the Forum will align with the institutional energy and industrial policy calendar – in particular the Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council - in order to provide direct input and feedback to policy discussions and to exercises such as the annual clean energy competitiveness progress report. The discussions will be prepared by a taskforce including different Commission services and clean energy associations.

The Forum can be complemented by sector-specific groups. As announced in the Offshore Strategy, the Commission will establish a working group on offshore renewable energy. The
Forum can also build on the work of initiatives launched by the industry itself such as the European Solar Initiative or the Renewable Heating and Cooling Alliance.