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Speaker's Biographies





Mr. Geert JOOSTEN : GIE President

Geert Joosten currently is President of GIE, Gas Infrastructure Europe and, until January 1st 2006, also President of GTE, Gas Transmission Europe (one of the three branches of GIE).

He also is a member of the European Energy Forum, the EASEE Gas Advisory Panel, the Advisory Committee on Energy Research of the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs and the Supervisory Board of Intergas Energy N.V, an energy distribution company in The Netherlands.

Before his retirement in October 2003 he held the post of Managing Director of Gas Transport Services (GTS), the transmission company of Gasunie. He has been with N.V. Nederlandse Gasunie since 1983.

He was professor in Chemical Engineering at the State University Groningen from 1976 till 1983.

Before that he obtained his Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering at Cambridge University and joined Shell to work in the Shell Research Laboratories in Amsterdam in 1968. Activities outside the energy world include a membership of the Supervisory Board of a mental hospital, president of the Board of a regional museum and president of a Committee for the enhancement of the economic development of the Northern part of The Netherlands.



Mr. Raphael MOISSIS : DEPA Chairman of the Board and CEO

Born in Thessaloniki, Greece, he went to high school at Athens College. He studied Mechanical Engineering at the University of Manchester, England, where he received a First Class Honour B.Sc. and then at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) where he obtained his Master and Doctor of Science degrees.

He started his professional career as Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering at MIT and then, after a period in Greek Industry, moved on to the positions of Executive Secretary to the National Energy Council in the Ministry of Coordination, Deputy Governor of the Hellenic Industrial Development Bank (ETBA), Governor of the Public Power Corporation (DEH) and first President of ATTIKO METRO S.A.

In April 2004 he was appointed as Chairman of the Public Gas Corporation S.A. (D.E.P.A.). He also sits on the Board of ALFA-BETA VASSILOPOULOS S.A. (Chairman), of S&B Industrial Minerals S.A and recently of the Public Power Corporation S.A..

His extensive service in non-profit-making organizations presently includes participation in the "Food Bank Foundation" (Treasurer), the Foundation of Economic and Industrial Research (IOBE- member of the Executive Committee), and of College Year in Athens. In the past he had served as member of the Executive Committee at the Federation of Greek Industries (SEV), as first president of the MIT Club of Greece, Secretary and Treasurer in the Board of Athens College, member of the Board of the Center of Political Research and Training (KPEE) and others.

In 1982 he was named Officer of the Legion of Honour by the President of the Republic of France.

Keynote address



Mrs. Maria REHBINDER : European Commission Head of Unit DG Competition

- Head of DG Competition Energy unit since December 2003.

Main responsibilities of the unit are the Energy sector inquiry and enforcement of antitrust law in the energy sector.

- Joined DG Competition in 1999 and the European Commission in 1996 as head of unit in DG Internal Market. Before joining the Commission held different positions in the Ministry of Finance of Finland.

- Doctor of Law (University of Helsinki) and Bachelor of Science (Econ.) (Swedish School of Economics)



Dr. Fritz GAUTIER : former MEP
Chairman



Dr. rer. nat., Dipl.-Chemiker
Education :

- Studied chemistry at Braunschweig Technical University, Dipl.-Chemiker degree (1968-1974)
- Doctorate (Dr. rer. nat.) in biochemistry and biotechnology at Braunschweig TU (1974-1977)

Career :

- Research assistant in the genetics department of Gesellschaft für Biotechnologische Forschung mbH, Braunschweig (1977-1989)
- Member of the European Parliament (1980-1987)
- Deputy Director & Deputy Chief Executive of the Municipal Enterprises Association (VKU), Köln (1989-1994)
- Member of the Executive Board of Gas-, Elektrizitäts- und Wasserwerke Köln AG (1 Jan. 1994-31 Aug. 1999)
- Chairman of the Executive Board of GEW-Werke Köln AG (1 Aug. 1994-31 Aug. 1999)
- Managing Director of Stadtwerke Köln GmbH (1 Aug. 1994-31 Aug. 1999)
- Chairman of the Executive Board of Kölner Verkehrsbetriebe AG (1 Nov. 1997-31 Aug. 1999)
- Member of the Executive Board of Ruhrgas AG (now E.ON Ruhrgas AG), Chairman of the Executive Board of Ruhrgas Energie Beteiligungs-AG (now E.ON Ruhrgas AG) (1 Sept. 1999 - 31 Aug. 2004)
- Since Sept. 2004 : Consultant

Mrs. Chrysoula ARGYRIOU : European Commission
Bringing the Acquis Communautaire to SEE



European Commission – DG Transport and Energy – Unit Electricity and Gas

Ms Chrysoula Argyriou holds a degree in engineering.

Since November 2000, she works at the European Commission. Current tasks include the development of a regional energy market in South East Europe, market monitoring in Greece, Cyprus and FYRO Macedonia and issues related to customers' protection.

Mr. Bálažs SÁNDOR : Chairman GIE ECSEE Study Group
Gas Market developments in SEE



Zsigmondy Vilmos Technical Secondary School, Gas Faculty; Nagykanizsa, Hungary, M.S. Gas Engineer; University of Miskolc, Faculty of Mining, MBA at Technical University of Budapest
Mr Sándor joined MOL in 1996 and held the positions of Field Engineer (1996-1999), Senior Asset Controller (2000-2001), Senior Officer Planning and Controlling (2001-2003), until becoming Director of Business and Management Support (since 2003).
In November 2004 he became Chairman of the GIE ECSEE Study Group. In March 2005 he became procurist for MOL in the Nabucco Gas Pipeline Study Company.

Mr. Michael CARAMANIS : Chairman ECSEE Gas Regulatory Group
A Regional Regulatory Framework fostering
a Sustainable Market-based Investment Climate



Michael Caramanis, (BS Stanford, 71; Ph.D. Harvard, 76) is Boston University Professor of Manufacturing Engineering (since 1982), Greek energy commissioner (since February 2005) and chair of the Energy Charter's Investment Group (since November of 2004). During 2004 he was Vice President of the Board of the Greek Public Gas Corporation (DEPA). He is co-author of Electricity Spot Pricing, Kluwer, 1988, and active in research and consulting on electricity marginal cost based pricing and investment, manufacturing inventory flow control and supply chain management.

Mr. Michael WOLTRAN : OMV Gas
Investing in SEE



Head of Finance and Controlling since 1.1.2003

After his education as an engineer for chemistry and his study on the Vienna University for Business Administration, Michael Woltran started working for Henkel Chemistry as an Assistant of Sales Manager. Later he had the opportunity to collect knowledge in interesting jobs in the marketing and finance area. In 1998 he entered PCD (later Borealis), a subsidiary of OMV, as Head of Controlling. During his time for OMV Michael Woltran had also the chance to learn more about OMV Group as Head of Corporate Operative Controlling.

Mr. Elio RUGGERI : Edison
Linking Turkey to Italy



Elio Ruggeri is a Business Development Manager within Edison S.p.A., the first private Italian energy operator. Since early 2000, when he has been appointed to the above mentioned position, Mr. Ruggeri has been involved in the analysis of the European gas market dynamics, in the definition of the Company strategy in the gas sector, in the identification and assessment of business opportunities in Italy and abroad, in the development of gas commercial and infrastructure projects.

He is currently managing the development of the IGI Project (Gas Interconnection between Greece and Italy) and the development of an LNG regassification terminal in Tuscany (the Rosignano LNG Project).

Prior to being appointed as Business Development Manager, Mr. Ruggeri was a Project Engineer in the Field Development and New Technologies department of Edison Gas (now incorporated in Edison S.p.A.), where he has participated to the definition of the development scheme of large gas production projects both in Italy and abroad.

Mr. Ruggeri holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Master in Corporate Finance.

Mr. Saša ILIĆ : Serbia Gas
Developments in Serbia and Montenegro



University: Faculty of Technical Science, Mechanical division, Automatic Control and Regulation major in Novi Sad, 1990.

Joining NIS-GAS in June 1991, Mr. Ilić was active in the Dispatching centre (1991-1993), Development department (1993-1994), Safety and regulation equipment maintenance department (1994-1998), Investment and development division (1998-2002) before taking the position of Manager of the Technical Division (middle 2002 till now). He is currently active in creating the strategy of operation and development of NIS-GAS and is responsible for gas transportation, distribution, underground storage, investments and developments, LPG and services and maintenance. Since July 2005, he is Senior deputy CEO of NIS-GAS. Following changes in the Petroleum Industry of Serbia (NIS) he is also active in SRBIJAGAS, national company for natural gas transportation, distribution, storage and trading, as Deputy CEO responsible for the Gas part of the company.

Mr. Ilić is member of the Board for Following of Spreading Gasification and District heating of the Vojvodina province. He is member of the Programme Committee A of the International Gas Union (IGU) for Sustainable Development and is member of the national gas organisation of Serbia and Montenegro.



Mrs. Anne LAPERROUZE : MEP
Chairman



Member of:

- Committee on Industry, Research and Energy
- Delegation for relations with the People's Republic of China

Substitute :

- Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety
- Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development
- Delegation for relations with the countries of Central America

Curriculum Vitae

- Electrochemical-electrometallurgical engineer (Grenoble, 1978)
- Research assistant, University of Quebec at Chicoutimi (1978). Export assistant in the petrochemical industry (1980). Head of department in the metallurgical industry (1981-1990). Head of department in the motor vehicle industry (1991-2000). Project director in the pharmaceutical industry (2002-2004).
- Mayor of Puylaurens (since 2001). Member of the Tarn Departmental Council.

Work in Parliament

- Motions for resolutions
- Reports
- Speeches in Plenary

Mr. Paolo CAROPRESO : GLE President
LNG Market Development : Principal Drivers



Paolo Caropreso, graduated in Industrial Chemistry at the Rome University in 1971 with a specialisation in Nuclear Energy, started his career at the Giannini Institute of Los Angeles, USA in the position of Assistant for the activities "Italy" and in November 1973 he became member of the Franco-Italian Project Team in Paris for the design and construction of the nuclear reactor Super Phenix. He joined Eni in July 1977, at first in the position of Responsible for the Development of Diversified Activities and then from June 1985 as Responsible for the Group's Programming & Operational Control of Energetic Activities, and in 1993 in the position of Assistant Manager Energy & Environment Strategic Control within the Programming Department of the ENI Group. His current position as General Manager Commercial & Development Sector of the company Snam Rete Gas S.p.A., was also covered in the company Snam S.p.A. where, upon his arrival in 1996 he was initially nominated as Director of the Sector's Business and Control Strategies and then in July 1999 as Director of the Sector's Budgeting, Administration & Control. He is President of GLE, Gas LNG Europe, an association representing LNG Terminal Operators in Europe.

Ms. Sylvie CORNOT-GANDOLPHE : IEA

Geopolitical dimensions of natural gas infrastructures

Sylvie Cornot-Gandolphe joined the International Energy Agency (IEA) at the beginning of 2001. She is Principal Administrator, Gas Expert in the Office of Long Term Co-operation and Policy Analysis. Her main responsibility is to monitor and analyse developments in the natural gas industry and markets, carry out studies on gas and take forward gas policy issues in the context of wider energy developments and of the Agency's general energy objectives. In particular she is the main author of the recent IEA publication on Security of Gas Supply in Open Markets: LNG and Power at a Turning Point.

Before joining the Agency, Sylvie was Manager of the Technical Cooperation Programme entitled Promotion and Development of a Market-Based Gas Industry in Economies in Transition - Gas Centre, in the Energy Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva, Switzerland.

Sylvie was previously General Secretary of CEDIGAZ, an international centre devoted to natural gas information, created by Institut Français du Pétrole (France). She published many studies in the field of natural gas: an annual statistical survey on natural gas in the world, regular studies on International LNG trade and Underground gas storage in the world.

She is graduated in economics and econometrics from Université de Bourgogne (Dijon, France) and has a post-graduate degree in Economics of Energy from Ecole Nationale Supérieure du Pétrole et des Moteurs in Rueil Malmaison, France.

Mr. Lex HUURDEMAN : OGP

Oil and Gas Security of Supply for Europe



Shell International E&P b.v.

Manager Regulatory Affairs & Commercial Strategy - Europe since 2003

Previous Experiences:

A mining engineer educated at Delft University, The Netherlands, Lex Huurdeman has worked in various petroleum engineering, commercial, business development and management assignments for Shell in Oman, Syria and North Africa and The Netherlands.

Mr. Michael SIDAMONIDZE : Georgian Oil Company

The role of Georgia in the new gas streams to the EU

Georgian Oil Company

New Energy Complexes Department Head,
Georgian National Oil Company "Saknavtobi"

Mr. Sidamonidze started his career with the Georgian National Oil Company "Saknavtobi" in 1981 after graduating from Moscow Oil and Gas Academy, combining extensive practical work (worked directly in oil and gas fields in Georgia, Orenburg Gas-condensate Field, Vuktil Gas-condensate Field in Russia, Shebelinka Gas Field in Ukraine) with different positions and scientific research, his priority task being the development of the concepts of Energy Security of Georgia.

He is the author of over 50 projects on development, development analysis of oil and gas fields and UGS engineering, he has also got five copyright certificates for inventions in UGS engineering and exploitation, Oil recovery increase in beds and the latest ones for inventions in the field of New Ecologically Pure Energy Complexes.

He is widely experienced within the energy sector, planning and development of oil and gas recovery, UGS engineering, development of regional and national energy balances, supply-demand scenarios and demand forecasts, economic feasibility and risk analysis.

He worked as an expert for EU Tasis project, US Trade & Development Agency, UN Economic Commission for Europe project.



Mr. Brian WITHINGTON : TPA Solutions, Managing Director
Chairman



Brian has played a leading role in the liberalisation of the UK gas industry since 1990 and is recognized throughout the industry for his work on negotiating Transco's groundbreaking Network Code. He was awarded an MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours of 1997 in recognition of this. Subsequently, as a Director at Transco, he was influential in the development of regulatory strategy for areas such as price control, tariff design and licence arrangements. He led the successful development and implementation of the major reform of commercial arrangements in 1999 and was responsible for developing new proposals for the treatment of Transco's LNG facilities. More recently, he has been a Vice president of GTE, the association of European transmission companies, and was heavily involved in the Madrid Forum process to pursue gas market liberalisation in the EU.

Brian is now Managing Director of TPA Solutions, which he established in March 2003 to advise on the development, implementation and operation of open access regimes, which has resulted in numerous international assignments. These include projects in Turkey, India, Romania, China and Western Europe.

Mr. Klaus-Dieter BARBKNECHT : GSE President
The Increasing Importance of Storage



After studying law and economics at Göttingen Klaus-Dieter Barbknecht (47) started his professional career as a lawyer and worked as a legal advisor in the field of the Oil and Natural Gas business. From 1992 to 1997 he worked as head of the Legal Department in VNG – Verbundnetz Gas AG Leipzig, and later as head of the Gas Purchasing Department. From 2000 till 2004 Mr Barbknecht was responsible for the Gas Transport and Gas Storage Department. Since October 2004 he is in charge of the new established department Portfoliomanagement. In addition, Mr. Barbknecht was appointed Managing Director of EVG – Erdgasversorgungsgesellschaft Thüringen Sachsen mbH in November 2005.

Moreover, Mr. Barbknecht is involved in the discussion on gas related policy issues on European level. In spring 2005, he took the chair of GSE – Gas storage Europe, representing the gas storage operators in Europe.

Mr. Chris MURRAY : National Grid
Planning for the winter

Current Title: Director, Operations and Trading. UK Transmission. Joined the company in 1977. Responsible for the real time operation of National Grid's gas and electricity transmission networks in the UK, forward energy trading and balancing services, operational forecasting, planning and policy.

Previous positions held with National Grid or predecessor company:

Commercial Director	UK Transmission. National Grid
Programme Director Quarterback 5	Transco
Network Director West Midlands	Transco
Asset General Manager	Transco North West
Chief Executive Officer	Phoenix Natural Gas
General Manager	Accord Energy
Development Manager	UK Power Generation. Global Gas

Education:
BA Pure Economics Warwick University
Business Schools: IMD Lausanne Switzerland, Wharton Philadelphia and Insead Paris.
Member of Institution of Gas Engineers and Managers
Member of Institute of Directors

Dr. Meinhard JANSSEN : BEB
Efficient access to gas infrastructures



Education
- University of Hamburg / business administration
- Diploma : master degree business administration
- University of Frankfurt / PhD diploma economics (Dr. rer. pol.)

Company experience
since 2004 CEO BEB
1995-2004 Director Gas Marketing
1990-1995 Vice President - Marketing Planning / Economics
1988-1990 Department Head Gas Purchasing
1985-1988 Department Head Marketing Analysis / Planning
1982-1985 Gas Sales Manager
1980-1982 Analyst Marketing Planning

Dr. Colin LYLE : EFET
How trading contributes to Security of Supply



Director of European Policy
CENTRICA

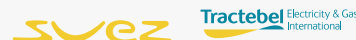
Colin Lyle joined 'British Gas' as a project engineer in the early 1980s and progressed through a range of technical and commercial management positions encompassing upstream and downstream activities, which included Head of the British Gas Purchasing Reservoir Group and Manger of Gas Supply Planning. In the mid-1990s, he helped set up British Gas Trading Ltd. as a separate legal entity within British Gas plc.

In 1997, British Gas plc demerged into two separately owned businesses, BG plc and Centrica plc www.centrica.com . Colin took over responsibility for evaluation & analysis of the Centrica group's upstream and midstream energy business. In October 2000 he was appointed Director of European Policy.

Colin is a Board Member of the European Federation of Energy Traders www.EFET.org and Chairman of the Gas Committee. He is also Chairman of the Exploration and Production Committee of the International Gas Union www.IGU.org



Mr. Patrick G. WAILLIEZ : Suez-Tractebel, Advisor to the CEO
Chairman



Patrick Wailliez is Gas Adviser to the CEO of Suez-Tractebel since 1st of July 2004 and was previously COO of Fluxys, the Belgian TSO. He is Chairman of the Board of Suez LNG Trading S.A. and Suez LNG Finance S.A.

His career within the gas sector started in 1976 when he joined Distrigaz where he had various positions in technical, commercial and economical areas of the company.

In 1993 he was appointed Director of Technical area, Gas Supply & Sales for Litoral Gas in Argentina in the framework of the liberalization of the Argentine gas market.

After this specific assignment he rejoined Distrigas in 1995 and endorsed responsibilities in the technical and commercial areas and in the framework of the introduction of the TPA activities within the company.

He has been closely involved in the liberalization process of Distrigas and moved in 2001 to Fluxys, the Belgian gas transportation company, after the unbundling of Distrigas. He was also Managing Director of Huberator and CEO of Fluxys LNG.

He has been Vice-Chairman of GTE where he was actively working towards an increased interoperability at European level through the "GTE Interoperability Working Group", EASEE-gas and the Madrid Forum.

Mr. Marcel KRAMER : Gasunie
Dutch unbundling : a long and winding road



Chairman of the Executive Board and CEO

Marcel Kramer was appointed Chairman of the Executive Board and Chief Executive Officer of Gasunie on 1 July 2005. On that day, Gasunie became a natural gas transport, infrastructure and services company. Mr Kramer joined Gasunie in 2003 as Managing Director of the Gasunie Technology & Assets division.

Prior to 2003, Mr Kramer held various positions with Statoil Norway. He was posted to the Norway Head Office (as General Manager Supply and Shipping Division), to Bangkok (Managing Director, Statoil Thailand), to Singapore (President, Asia Pacific) and most recently to Caracas (President, Statoil Venezuela). Throughout his 12-year term with Statoil, he was involved with oil and gas interests in the up-, mid- and downstream business segments.

From 1988 to 1992, Mr Kramer was with Petro-Canada (Calgary) as Director of Crude Oil Supply and Trading. From 1979 to 1988, he served in oil and gas-related positions at NATO, Brussels (1979-1982) and as Head of the Oil Industry Division of the International Energy Agency in Paris. From 1976 to 1979, Mr Kramer held a Staff position with the Oil and Coal Directorate of the Ministry of Economic Affairs in the Netherlands.

Mr Kramer holds a degree in Private and Corporate Law. He was appointed Fellow of the Institute of Petroleum in London in 1987 and is professionally active in various organisations such as the International Organisation of Energy Economists (IAEE), the Dutch Royal Society of Natural Gas Producers (KVGn) and the Energy Delta Institute (EDI) in the Netherlands (an educational institute supported by Gasunie, Gazprom and the University of Groningen).

Mr. Povl ASSERHØJ : Energinet.dk
Unbundled - and then bundled again



Povl Asserhoj has been more than 20 years involved in the European natural gas business. He has been member of the Executive Board of DONG for ten years. He was CEO of the Danish gas transmission company, Gastra until July 2005. He has also been actively involved in GIE and the Danish energy business.

Povl Asserhoj is still representing Gastra at the GIE Conference, or more precisely Energinet.dk which is the new name for the gas and electricity transmission company in Denmark.

Mr. Rudy VAN BEURDEN : Fluxys
Case Study Belgium



company :
Fluxys (and Huberator)

current position :
Gas Flow & Hub Manager since 2001 (and Managing Director of Huberator since 2004)

previous positions :
Several positions within Distrigas (before the demerger), in the area of gas portfolio optimisation, contract accounting and gas control operations

other :
Involvement in GIE, GTE and Easee-gas (Business Rules sub-WG, Interoperability), co-managing director of APX Gas Zeebrugge B.V.

Mr. Marek FOLTYNOWICZ : PGNiG
Case Study Poland



Vice-President, Group Strategy and Restructuring of PGNiG



Mr. Jorge VASCONCELOS : ERGEG President
Chairman



Jorge Vasconcelos is Chairman of ERSE, the regulatory authority of the Portuguese electricity and natural gas industries.

Mr. Vasconcelos was born in Porto, Portugal, in 1959. He graduated from the State University in Porto and holds a degree in Power Systems Engineering. He also holds the degree Doktor-Ingenieur from the Erlangen-Nuremberg University, Germany, where he was Research Assistant from 1982 to 1985.

He was invited to set up the Portuguese Electricity Regulatory Commission in 1996 and he was appointed Chairman of the Board in 1997. Following his appointment to a second term, the scope of ERSE was enlarged to natural gas.

Prior to joining ERSE, Mr. Vasconcelos was in charge of program development for the dynamic simulation of power systems in the electrical networks department of AEG, in Frankfurt, Germany (1986-1989). From 1989 to 1996 he was Deputy Secretary-General of EURELECTRIC (European Association of Electricity Industry). He was Guest Professor at the University of Pavia, Italy (1990-1991) and also lectures at the University of Coimbra since 2001.

Mr. Vasconcelos is co-founder and the first Chairman of the Council of European Energy Regulators (CEER).

Mr. Claude TURMES : MEP, Vice-President of the Green Group
How to enhance the consumer's Interest



Degree in physical and sports education, University of Louvain-la-Neuve (1983). Studies leading to a European diploma in environmental sciences (1989-1990).

Mr. Turmes has held various offices in the Luxembourg Ecology Movement since 1989. He was Member of the Executive Committee of the European Environmental Bureau (1989-1991) and is Member of the European Parliament since 1999. Acting as Vice-Chairman of the Green Group in the European Parliament (2002-2004), he is also Member of the Committee of Industry, Research and Energy.

Mr. Johannes ENZMANN : European Commission
Are further legislative measures necessary?



Administrator of Electricity and Gas Unit DG TREN, European Commission

Mr. Dieter PFAFF : Eurogas Chairman of the Network Users Group
The view of the users of gas infrastructures



Vice-President E.ON Ruhrgas AG, Essen, Germany
Dieter Pfaff is Vice-President "Supply Policy Division" of E.ON Ruhrgas AG, Essen, and member of the "Top Executive Group" of the E.ON Group. He holds a degree in economics from Marburg Philipps University.

After several years in the iron-casting industry Dieter Pfaff joined E.ON Ruhrgas in 1974, where he was in charge of E.ON Ruhrgas's purchasing relations with the former Soviet Union, Russia and the Central/East European countries for nearly two decades.

In his current position Dieter Pfaff is in charge of supply policy, strategic and operative concepts for general gas purchasing issues, analyses of international supply markets and the development of new supply sources. In addition he is in charge of the execution of the E.ON Ruhrgas Gas Release Programme, which was imposed by the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology on E.ON/Ruhrgas and will be executed by six annual auctions. The Gas Release Programme started with its first auction in July 2003, followed by two further auctions in May 2004 and 2005. As Chairman of the Network Users Group of Eurogas in Brussels, he represents Eurogas in the European Gas Regulatory Madrid Forum process. He was also involved in the Task Force for the foundation of EASEE-gas in Paris, with Ruhrgas being a founding member and Dieter Pfaff belonging to its Board of Directors.

Mr. Jacques LAURELUT : GRTgaz
How TSOs can contribute to further competition



Managing Director of GRTgaz since January 1st 2005.

Mr. Jacques Laurelut has been in charge of the Gaz de France gas transport activities since 2004. Joining Gaz de France in 1972, he has been active in several positions covering exploration, economic studies, and management as part of the Department of gas transport, until 1996. He has been advisor to the CEOs of EDF and Gaz de France for IT and telecommunications from 1996 to 2000. From 2000 till 2004, he was in charge of the Gaz de France Gas Supply Contracts and the Trading activities (through Gaselys - joint branch with the Société générale). Jacques Laurelut is a civil engineer (mining) from Saint-Étienne.

Mr. Thomas C. BRIGGS : BP
Achievement and Challenges ahead



Vice President, Regulatory Affairs - BP Gas, Power and Renewables, London, England

Thomas C. Briggs is Vice President of Regulatory Affairs for the Gas, Power and Renewables segment of BP plc. In that capacity, Tom is responsible for managing BP's exposure to regulatory risk arising in the gas and power sectors as well as development of the regulatory function.

Prior to his engagement with BP, Tom was Vice President for Government and Regulatory Affairs with Enron Corp, from 1994 until 2001, based in London and in Washington, DC. During that time, Tom was responsible for managing Enron's involvement in natural gas and electricity legislation and deregulation in North America and Europe. From 1989 - 1994, Tom acted as Senior Legal Counsel for Enron's Gas Pipeline Group and as Director of Project Management for Enron Power Services.

Tom is a lawyer trained in the United States and licensed to practice law in New York State. Upon graduation from The Ohio State University College of Law, Tom worked at the US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on natural gas deregulation. Tom left the FERC to join Enron Gas Pipelines in 1989.



Mr. Michael KARAMIHAS : DEPA Executive Vice-President

Concluding remarks

He is a Chemical Engineer having received his formal education at the University of British Columbia in Canada where he also worked in the petrochemical industry for six years. Returning to Greece he worked in various positions including:

- General Manager of the Exxon refinery in Thessaloniki
- General Manager of the Motor Oil refinery in Corinth
- Managing Director of the Greek Alumina industry, a project of the Greek Industrial Bank and the then Soviet Union.
- Managing Director of the EKO Petroleum and Petrochemical company.

Before he assumed his present position as Executive Vice President of DEPA in January 2005, he worked for 12 years as Executive Director of S&B Industrial Minerals, a Greek multinational company producing and marketing Industrial Minerals and Ores.



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