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Dr Klaus Peter Röttgen (E.ON) takes over EASE presidency on January 1st 2015

Three years after the creation of the European Association for Storage of Energy, the presidency is renewed for the first time

On the 18th of November 2014 in Paris, the EASE General Assembly elected **Dr Klaus Peter Röttgen**, Head of E.ON Innovation Center Energy Storage, as the **new EASE President**. “Energy Storage technologies are indispensable for the energy transition” Röttgen declared in his welcome speech. “Only the combined use of different storage solutions, intelligent grids, demand management and flexible generation will allow us to move to an energy system based to a large extent on renewables. A common legal framework across Europe would greatly facilitate the introduction of this innovation.”

On the 1st of January 2015, Dr Röttgen took over the presidential torch from Dr Bernard Delpech, Director of Shared Services of EDF R&D. He is being supported in his new function by three newly elected vice-presidents: Mr Michael Lippert, Marketing & Business Development Manager of the Energy Storage Business Unit of Saft; Mr Franck Lacroix, Deputy Vice-President of EDF R&D; and Mr Jillis Raadschelders, Principal Consultant Energy Storage of DNV GL. Mr Hugh Logue, Director and Chairman of Remuneration Committee of Gaelectric, was reelected as Treasurer.

In the aftermath of the elections, at the Energy Storage Global Conference, Dr Delpech introduced Dr Röttgen, wishing him success in addressing the challenges Energy Storage is facing in the coming years: “The Energy System has two challenges; one of them is cost-effectiveness, to enable economic growth and to make energy available for all. Energy Storage needs to be part of this, which is why the support of policy to RD&D is crucial. A second challenge is policy and regulation, which will have to ensure a fair market design, with the elimination of market barriers.”

About EASE:

The European Association for Storage of Energy (EASE) is the voice of the energy storage community, actively promoting the use of energy storage in Europe and worldwide. It actively supports the deployment of energy storage as an indispensable instrument within the framework of the European energy and climate policy to deliver services to, and improve the flexibility of, the European energy system. EASE seeks to build a European platform for sharing and disseminating energy storage-related information and supports the transition towards a sustainable, flexible and stable energy system in Europe.

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