Climate Change: 
An opportunity for social cooperation

29-30 March 2011
Conference organised by the European Trade Union Institute (ETUI)

Venue:
Hotel Crown Plaza Brussels, Le Palace
Rue Gineste 3, 1210 Brussels

Programme

Tuesday 29 March

08.00 – 09.00            Registration and coffee

09.00 – 12.30  Using carbon markets and green taxation to tackle climate change
Chair: Philippe Pochet, General Director ETUI

Goals and (poor) achievements in reducing emissions in the EU context
Bela Galgoczi, ETUI

Energy and low-carbon policies for a sustainable new deal for Europe: An ETUC Perspective
Anne Panneels, European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC)

Environmental fiscal reform in Europe: research, experience and best practice
Jacqueline Cottrell, Project manager, environmental consultant, Forum Ökologisch-Soziale

Debate

10.30 – 10.50  Coffee break
Priorities for renewable energies and energy efficiency technologies by 2020
Clemens Schneider, Wuppertal Institute for Climate Change (TBC)

La fiscalité carbone comme politique sociale (Carbon taxation as social policy)
Emmanuel Combet, International Research Centre on Environment and Development, France

Sustainable development through the carbon market - an experience
Jan Meuleman, JI/CDM Team of the Climate Change Section

Comments
Andrew Watt, ETUI

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 17.20 EU climate policies and strategies for a sustainable economy - Challenges and opportunities for industrial climate policies

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Towards a European industrial policy
Didier Herbert, Sustainable Industrial Policy, DG Enterprise and Industry European Commission
Elisabeth Schroedter, Member of European Parliament

Debate

15.30 – 15.50 Coffee break

The challenge for the transport sector
Sabine Trier, European Transport Workers Federation (ETF), Deputy General Secretary

The challenge of climate change for public services
Jan Willem Goudriaan, European Federation of Public Service Unions (EPSU), Deputy General Secretary

Energy Intensive industries
Judith Kirton-Darling, European Metalworkers' Federation (EMF), Industrial Policy Advisor

Buildings and Construction
Aleksi Kuusisto, European Federation of Building and Woodworkers (EFBWW) International officer
**Wednesday 30 March**

**09.00 – 12.30** Integrating social and environmental issues: The importance of developing alliances

**Chair**: Laurent Vogel, Director ETUI Health and Safety department

**BlueGreen Alliance US: How to improve trade unions’ cooperation**
Margrete Strand Rangnes, BlueGreen Alliance Deputy Director

**Enhanced climate action for a re-industrialisation of Europe**
Tomas Wyns, Policy Officer with Climate Action Network Europe

**Debate**

**10.30 – 10.50** Coffee break

**The role of the social partners in the transition towards a green economy**
Christine Aumayr, Eurofound

**Social dialogue, green economy and climate change**
Bruno Estrada, Coordinator of the TURI project ‘Social partners and climate change’
Begoña Maria-Tomé Gil, Energy & climate change coordinator, ISTAS

**Politiques industrielles bas carbone et impact sur l’emploi en Europe, rôle des partenaires sociaux**
(Low carbon industrial policy and the impact on employment in Europe, role of the social partners)
Alain Mestre, Syndex

**Concluding remarks**
Laurent Vogel, ETUI, Health & Safety Department, Director

**12.30 - 14.00** Lunch – Departure

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