

PROGRAMME

17 June

08h30 – 9h00 : Registration

09h00 - 09h45 : Opening Remarks

Janos Toth, *President of the Section Transport, Energy, Infrastructure & Information Society of the European Economic and Social Committee*

Marc Beyens, *President Brussels Nuclear Law Association (BNLA)*

Dominique Ristori, *Deputy Director General DG Energy, European Commission*

Chairs:

- **Massimo Garribba**, *Head of Unit Legal Questions & Euratom Coordination, International Relations – Nuclear, DG Energy, European Commission*
- **Marc Beyens**, *President Brussels Nuclear Law Association (BNLA), Belgium Vice-President International Nuclear Law Association (INLA) Chair Legal Task Force FORATOM Chief Legal Officer Generation & Procurement BeLux Electrabel / GdF Suez*

09h45 - 12h45 : The question of harmonization of the Nuclear Liability Regime considered in the EU context

09h45 - 10h30 : Introductory presentation on the findings of the EC Legal Study and policy options for an action at the EU level as outlined in the Legal Study (Evelyne Ameye, *Of Counsel Gomez-Acebo & Pombo S.L.P., Spain*)

10h30 - 11h00 : **BREAK**

Reactions to the Legal Study's from a legal and policy viewpoint

a. By the Depositaries of the

11h00 - 11h15 : • Paris - Brussels Conventions (Julia Schwartz, *Head of Legal Affairs, NEA/OECD*)

11h15 - 11h30 : • Vienna Convention and Convention on Supplementary Compensation (CSC) (Johan Rautenbach, *Director Office of Legal Affairs, IAEA* or Wolfram Tonhauser, *Head, Nuclear and Treaty Law Section, IAEA*).

b. By representatives of specific countries:

11h30 - 11h40 : • A Paris / Brussels Conventions Country (Roland Dussart-Desart, *Chef de Division, Bureau du Président, SPF Economie, PME, Classes Moyennes & Energie, Service juridique - Chair Nuclear Law Committee NEA / OECD, Belgium*)

11h40 - 11h50 : • A Vienna Convention Country (Jakub Handrlica, *Ass. Prof. Law Faculty, Charles University, The Czech Republic*)

11h50 - 12h00 : • A Convention on Supplementary Compensation (CSC) country (Vlad Chiripus, *President International Nuclear Law Association, Attorney at law, Nuclearelectrica, Romania*)

12h00 - 12h10 : • A Non-Convention Country (Edmund Carroll, *Advisory Counsel, Office of the Attorney General, Ireland*)

12h10 - 13h00 : General discussion

13h00 - 14h00 : LUNCH

14h00 - 17h30 : **Challenges to the present Nuclear Liability Regime**

14h00 - 14h30 : the 2007 EU Initiative on Nuclear Liability – A Chance for Enhancing the Nuclear Liability Regime in Europe. (Dr. Norbert Pelzer, *Consultant, University of Göttingen, Germany*)

14h30 -15h10 : Recent developments concerning the coverage of nuclear risks by the insurance industry (Marc Folens, *General Manager Syndicat Belge d'Assurances Nucléaires -- SYBAN* / Danny Van Welkenhuyzen, *General Manager, ELINI, Belgium*)

15h10 - 15h30 : Alternative financing schemes in Europe, including operators' pooling (Julia Schwartz, *Head of Legal Affairs, NEA/OECD*)

15h30 - 16h00 : BREAK

16h00 - 16h40: Nuclear liability and State Aid - Impact of EC competition rules (André Bouquet, *Legal Advisor, European Commission* / Laurent Garzaniti, *Chair Competition and State Aid Task Force of the European Nuclear Energy Forum (ENEF)* and Andrew Renshaw, *Partners Freshfields, Belgium*)

16h40 - 17h10 : Nuclear industry's concerns / expectations regarding Nuclear liability (Mark Richards, *Chief Counsel, International Operations, CH2M Hill, Co-Chair of the World Nuclear Association Task Force on Nuclear Liability and Member of the Legal Task Force of Foratom, United Kingdom* / Anthony Wetherall, *Co-Chair of the World Nuclear Association Task Force on Nuclear Liability, United Kingdom* / Martin Novak, *Member of the Board and Financing Director of Cez, The Czech Republic*)

17h10 – 17h30 : Other Stakeholders views (Mrs. Patricia Lorenz, *Friends of the Earth Europe*)

17h30 - 18h00 : General discussion

Cocktail and Walking Dinner at Bibliothèque Solvay from 18h00

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Massimo Garribba, *Head of Unit Legal Questions & Euratom Coordination, International Relations – Nuclear, DG Energy, European Commission*)

Marc Léger, *President French Section of the International Nuclear Law Association, Vice-President International Nuclear Law Association (INLA) Directeur juridique et du contentieux, Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique, France*

09h00 - 9h15 : Public perception, ENEF process, impact on market and global expansion (Jean-Pol Poncelet, *Chair of the European Nuclear Energy Forum (ENEFF) Opportunities WG, Directeur du développement durable et du progrès continu, AREVA, Former Belgian Vice-Prime Minister*)

09h15 - 12h15 : Prospects for a better integrated European Nuclear Liability Regime

A. By means of “mutual recognition”

09h15 - 09h30 : 1. A greater harmonisation within the EU of liability and financial security limits. Generalization of adherence to the Joint Protocol in Europe (Patrick Reyners, *Vice-President Brussels Nuclear Law Association (BNLA) – Secretary General International Nuclear Law Association (INLA)*)

09h30 - 09h45 : 2. CSC (Ben McRae, *Assistant General Counsel US Department of Energy / Omer Brown, Contractors International Group on Nuclear Liability (CIGNL), United States*)

B. By means of harmonization

09h45 - 10h15 : 1. Clarifying the legal basis for an intervention at the EU level in the domain of nuclear liability - (Prof Melchior Wathelet, *Former Judge at the European Court of Justice, Belgian Vice-Prime Minister, Belgian Minister of State / Tom Vanden Borre, Seconded National Expert, European Commission*)

10h15 - 10h45 : BREAK

2. Prospects for an EC Directive harmonising insurance matters: steps towards insurance harmonization

10h45 - 11h00 : a. A representative of the *European Commission*

11h00 - 11h15 : b. Sebastiaan Reitsma, *Comité Européen des Assurances, Manager Swiss Nuclear Insurance Pool*

11h15 - 11h30 : c. Danny Van Welkenhuyzen, *General Manager ELINI, Belgium*

11h30 - 11h45 : d. Denis Philippe, *Professor at the Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL) and ICHEC and Lecturer at the Université Paris X Nanterre, Attorney at Law (Philippe & Partners), Member of the Board BNLA, Belgium / Jonathan Isted, Freshfields, Member of the Board BNLA, United Kingdom,*

11h30 - 12h15 : 3. General discussion

12h15 - 12h50 : Concluding Remarks by Peter Faross, *Director Nuclear Energy, DG Energy, European Commission*

12h50 - 13h00 : Closing of the Workshop by Marc Beyens, *President Brussels Nuclear Law Association (BNLA)*

