

# REDay2015

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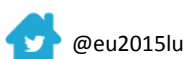
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## Speakers Biographies



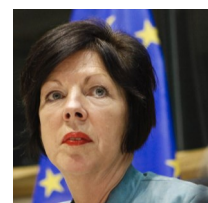
**Jacek Truszczyński,**  
Energy Attaché,  
Luxembourg

Jacek Truszczyński currently works in the energy team of the Luxembourgish Presidency. Prior to that he has worked in the European Commission, DG Energy on energy efficiency, including on the Energy Efficiency Directive and product legislation. Jacek Truszczyński started his career in Brussels as a consultant on energy matters for various industry associations. He graduated from social sciences at the University of Warsaw and from post-graduate European studies at the College of Europe.

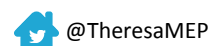


Opening  
Session

**Theresa Griffin,**  
MEP (S&D), UK  
Signatory of the REC Manifesto

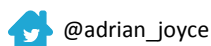


In 2014, Theresa was elected to the EP, as the top Labour Party candidate in her region, to represent the North West of England. Aligned to the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats, Theresa is a full member and Labour Party Spokesperson for the Industry, Research and Energy Committee and a substitute member on the Transport and Tourism Committee. Theresa has worked extensively on energy policy, detailing the importance of the coordination of national energy policies in order to achieve EU-wide energy efficiency and security. She is currently Chair of the S&D Working Group on Energy Poverty and Vice-President of a EUFORES, a European cross-party network of MEPs who promote and energy efficiency. Theresa is a committed trade union activist and active campaigner particularly on employment rights, rights for young people, disability equality, LGBTI rights and against the far-right.



**Adrian Joyce,**  
Campaign Director,  
Renovate Europe Campaign

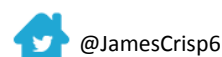
Also Secretary General of EuroACE who initiated the Campaign to achieve an 80% reduction in the energy demand of the EU building stock by 2050. Adrian Joyce is a professionally qualified architect who spent 17 years in private practice (working in the UK, France, Belgium and Ireland) before getting involved full-time in architectural policy. He was Practice Director of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland before moving to Brussels to join the Architects' Council of Europe where he became Director before leaving in July 2011. He holds a part-time teaching post at the Catholic University of Louvain-la-Neuve. He is also a Board Member of eceee (the European Council for an Energy Efficient Economy) and sits on the Steering Committee of the European Coalition for Energy Savings.



**James Crisp,**  
Deputy News Editor, EurActiv  
Moderator for REDay2015



James is deputy news editor at EurActiv.com. He has covered energy and environment, trade, financial services regulation, EU and UK politics, and innovation and enterprise since joining EurActiv last year. Previously James worked as media manager at the European Private Equity and Venture Capital Association and as financial services correspondent for MLex. Before moving to Brussels, James, a University of Manchester graduate, worked for national and local newspapers in the UK.





**Michael Rühle, Head of Energy Security Section, Emerging Security Challenges, NATO**

Michael was previously Head, Speechwriting, and Senior Political Advisor in the NATO Secretary General's Policy Planning Unit. Before joining NATO in 1991, Mr. Rühle was a Volkswagen-Fellow at the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Sankt Augustin, Germany, and a Visiting Fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, D.C. He holds an M.A. in Political Science from the University of Bonn and has published widely on international security issues. He has also co-authored a book on missile defence. His essay "Good and Bad Nuclear Weapons" was published in March 2009 in both German and English.

...it's Energy Security

@NATO

**Daiva Matoniene, Acting Vice-Minister of Environment, Republic of Lithuania**

Since 2012, Daiva Matoniene has held the position of Vice Minister, Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania, where she is responsible for construction and housing, urban design and architecture, planning and mining sectors. Since 2010 she has also been a member of the Lithuanian Delegation (COTER and ENVE) to the Committee of the Regions. She has an MBA in Economics and a Bachelor's degree in Management & Business Administration from Siauliai University of Lithuania. From 2007 to 2012, she was Deputy Mayor in the Municipality of Siauliai, where she was responsible for environmental safety, economics, infrastructure, information technology and construction management. She also chaired various working groups such as renovation of multi-apartment buildings and development of Siauliai city airport.

...it's An Investment Opportunity

@DaivaMatoniene

**Simone Raskob, Councillor, Head of Department for Building and Environment, Essen, Germany**

In her role since 2005, Simone is responsible for the real estate of the City of Essen, public transport, roads and transport, environmental protection, the Veterinary and Food Safety Office, water management, gardens and forests. In November 2012, she was re-elected by the City Council of Essen until 2021. A Qualified Engineer in Environmental Protection her varied career has seen her work as Project Manager of the Landesgartenschau in Pforzheim, Managing Director of North Rhine-Westphalia Eco-Center, Councillor on Urban Planning for the Department of Building and Planning of the City of Göttingen and Managing Director of the Economic Development and Urban Development Corporation of Göttingen. She is a member of many professional organisations including the Chamber of Architects, the German Federal Association of Landscape Architects, the German Academy for Urban and Regional Planning and of the Hanover Association for the Promotion of Architecture. In 2012, she was elected Chair of the Environment Committee of the German Association of Cities North Rhine-Westphalia.

...it's Local Jobs and Growth

**Ian Watson, Principal Consultant, BRE Group, UK**

Ian is a Chartered Environmental Health Practitioner who joined the Building Research Establishment's (BRE) Housing and Energy Group in 2014. As Principal Consultant, he provides expert advice, guidance and support on public health, housing and energy efficiency matters. Previously, he co-ordinated development and delivery of the multi-award winning 'Liverpool Healthy Homes' Programme which, in partnership with Public Health, tackled health inequalities and deprivation by improving housing conditions and access to a wide range of health related services, by delivering a range of innovative interventions. He graduated from Nottingham Trent University in 2001 and after working at Wrexham Council, he joined Liverpool City Council's Housing Market Renewal pathfinder in 2007. He managed one of the multidisciplinary teams in the 'Health Impact Team', delivering services to tackle housing market failure, and encourage regeneration.

...it's Health & Well-Being

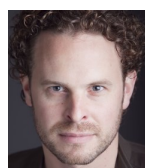
@BREWatford

**José Lopez, Financial Director, Energies POSIT'IF, France**

José Lopez is the financial director of Energies POSIT'IF, which he contributed to launch in 2013. He is in charge of the team and account management, as well as of the deployment of Energies POSIT'IF offer. During the course of his career, in the frame of executive management positions in ICE, Mr Lopez developed financial engineering and consultancy activities at local and international levels in the fields of energy efficiency and climate change.

...it's Smart Development

@EnergiesPositif

**Wigger Verschoor, Project Leader Sustainable Built Environment, Urgenda, The Netherlands**

Wigger Verschoor's main focus consists of reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions through energy neutral retrofitting of existing homes in the Netherlands. Urgenda is able to provide this full service to households for under € 35.000, activating demand and generating trust for this necessary step in the fast transition towards a sustainable society. In its Report 2030, Urgenda concludes that a transition to a 100% sustainable energy supply within 20 years is possible, cheaper and cleaner than staying with fossil fuels, creates 150,000 new jobs, secures a safe energy supply and propels innovation. Together with 900 citizens the Urgenda Foundation won the Climate Case against the Dutch Government on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2015, forcing it to take more measures against climate change.

...it's CO<sub>2</sub> Reductions

@wiggerverschoor