



Activity report

Fiscal year 1 October 2007- 30 September 2008

Introduction

During the past year, eceee's activities have continued to expand into new areas. This reflects the results of the strategy workshop held in Utrecht in the spring of 2007, and which was further developed during the past year and a half.

eceee is increasingly being recognised as an NGO that is able to deliver credible and practical policy advice. In particular, the board wishes to point to the continued participation in the Amsterdam Forum for Sustainable Energy, as well as our presence in the Eco-design Directive Consultation Forum, following our successful application to occupy one of the NGO seats. We also have raised our profile as a conference organiser: During Spring, Summer and early Autumn of 2008, the preparation activities for the two conferences held in October 2008 were very intense: The conferences—the final EMEEES conference and Product Efficiency 08—(held after the end of this fiscal year) were very successful and helped to position eceee as a key energy efficiency player.

A new board was elected at the General Assembly held 23 November 2007 in Paris. A few of the board members were replaced, and eceee is happy to see two new member organisations in the board, Kape from Poland, and Verbraucherzentrale Bundesverband, VZBV, Germany.

Contacts with other organisations

During the year, eceee has strengthened its relations with a number of other organisations.

- The cooperation with EnR (the European network of national energy agencies) has continued.
- Our contacts with ACEEE to identify mutual areas of interest have continued, particularly with discussions on various aspects of how to organise Summer Studies. The agreement to make ACEEE Summer Study proceedings available on the eceee web site continues to increase the value of the eceee web site as a resource.
- Through the eco-design work, eceee is now having close contacts with ECOS, the European Citizens' Organisation for Standardisation.
- The cooperation with EUFORES continues through the EEW project.
- An agreement with the Australian Greenhouse Office on Product Efficiency 08 was formalised during the year and the cooperation resulted in the conference held in October 08.
- As a subcontractor to Norwegian Enova, which is a partner in the EMEEES project, eceee arranged the final conference of the project. The conference was held in October 2008.
- eceee has developed contacts with the European Climate Foundation, a philanthropic foundation established in early 2008. In June 2008 eceee received a grant to work on eco-design, and in early October 2008 (just after this fiscal year ended) eceee received a significant grant to work on energy efficient buildings.

Activities on buildings

eceee's policy on energy efficient buildings was developed further during the year, and in February 2008 a policy brief on buildings was published. During the end of the fiscal year, a proposal to the European Climate Foundation to work on buildings was developed. A significant grant was eventually awarded to eceee (after the fiscal year ended) and will allow eceee to work on the recast of the Directive on Energy Performance of Buildings and to develop a proposal for a permanent European Institute on energy efficient buildings.



Participation in conferences and other forums

eceee has participated in the following international events and forums (a more thorough description is found under each thematic heading below):

- Amsterdam forum, continued participation by Peter Bach.
- Eco-design consultation forum. eceee has been present in all forum meetings held during the fiscal year and has sent in comments on several proposals.
- The working group on the revision of the labelling directive and the labelling design. Nils Borg and Rod Janssen have been eceee's representatives in this group.
- A two-day transatlantic NGO meeting on standards and labelling was arranged by ECF and held at WWF's premises in Brussels. eceee helped arrange the meeting and it was chaired by the Executive Director Nils Borg. Eoin Lees from eceee's board and advisory committee member Hans-Paul Siderius participated as experts.

Eco-design

As the EU eco-design work has been scaled up with frequent proposals and meetings, eceee has tried to keep abreast with the developments. We have participated in all consultation forums and have sent in comments to most proposals. In June 2008, we secured a grant from ECF that will allow us to make in-depth studies on domestic lighting, TVs and boilers/water heaters.

Product Efficiency 08

This conference had the subtitle "Getting global agreement on defining energy efficient products" and the conference theme very well reflects eceee's policy and ambition. The conference was held after the fiscal year (30-31 October 2008) in Brussels, but very much preparatory work was carried out in the half year leading up to the conference.

EMEEES

eceee has participated as a subcontractor to Enova in the EMEEES project that deals with a common European methodology of monitoring and evaluation of energy saving targets. The final EMEEES conference was arranged by eceee. Although the conference was held after the fiscal year 07/08, much of the preparatory work took part during Summer and early Autumn of 2008.

Energy Efficiency Watch

The Energy Efficiency Watch project started in September 2007 and will last for 2,5 years. eceee is participating as one of the managing partners. The purpose of the project is to keep an eye on the developments regarding the national energy efficiency action plans, and one of eceee's tasks is to put our member network to use to get input from around Europe.

Summer study

eceee's single largest activity is the Summer Study, held in early summer every odd year. Although the study is held only every second year, the preparations for the next summer study starts as soon as one has finished.

The board has appointed conference managers and panel leaders and has picked a venue for the 2009 edition of the event. Call for papers has been sent out and by the time the fiscal year closed, we had seen a record number of submitted abstracts.

Web site

The eceee web site continues to be well visited and is an appreciated resource within the energy efficiency community.

The regular publication of news has continued, thanks to our agreement with ENDS, who kindly has given us permission to publish selected news items. In addition to ENDS news, the new site allows us to more easily publish links to news items in other media.



During the year, several volumes of ACEEE summer studies on industry and buildings have been made available to our members. The organisational members' forum was launched.

The agreement with Springer publishing house to provide free access to all eceee's members to their Energy Efficiency journal's online edition is honoured by both parties, but due to Springer's decision to allow free public access to all in 2008, it will not be activated until early 2009.

Memberships

The total number of individuals who are members of eceee (both personal members and organisational members) reached an all time high in 2007 (after a slight drop in 2006). In 2008, we have seen another small drop, but to a higher level than in 2006.

Individual (personal) members

The number of personal members started to grow in 2003 when we introduced discounts for participants at the summer study, as well as a two-year fee for payment option. The trend has been slowly growing ever since, with small drops in non-summer study years.

Organisational members

The number of organisational members dropped for the first time ever in 2006, but it grew again in 2007 and is now up and above the levels in 2005.

Overview of membership development¹

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
personal members	69	65	132	131	138	114	148	114
member organisations	27	30	41	47	49	45	51	53
individuals within organisations above	83	135	176	201	207	206	262	258
all individuals (indiv + org)	143	201	309	332	345	320	410	372

Administrative matters, board and staff issues

Board meetings

During the activity year, the board held 5 meetings: November 07 (Paris), February 08 (Brussels) April, June and September 08 (Paris).

A list of board members is attached as an annex to the activity report.

The board and advisory committee

eceee decided to change the titles of chairs and vice chairs to President and Vice presidents respectively. During fiscal year 2007/08, Peter Bach has been President and Rob Kool and Eoin Lees have been vice Presidents.

A list of the current board is found in the annex. At the GA in 2007, two new member organisations entered the board: Kape represented by Tadeusz Skoczowski and VZBV, the German Federation of Consumer organisations, represented by Holger Krawinkel. The Finnish board member organisations Motiva and VATT (who shared the board member representation) unfortunately left the board. Randall Bowie from Rockwool is a

¹ Note: this table is based on the current status as of November 2008. Our membership database cannot trace changes historically. E.g., a member who has moved from individual to organisational will show as a new member. The database also fails to catch individuals that have been replaced within organisations. However, the numbers give a fair picture of the overall trends.



new individual board member. Of the organisations that remained in the board, Ademe's representation has changed and is now represented by Didier Bosseboeuf.

All previously existing advisory committee members were asked about their interest to continue as members and to identify their particular spheres of experience that eceee could draw upon. The current membership status as of October 2008 is attached as an annex to the activity report.

Executive Director

Nils Borg's title was changed from General Manager to Executive Director by the board. He has served during the whole fiscal year on a consultancy basis. The secretariat is based in Stockholm and Nils Borg was aided by Therese Lindström in administrative matters, including the web site until the Summer 2008. Therese Lindström is still doing special web projects, but has been replaced by Anne Bengtson who now manages the secretariat's day-to-day business.

Consultants

Klas Björkman, Björkman & Mitchell in Stockholm, has continued to develop eceee's graphic profile and printed matters. He is also responsible for the overall design of the web site. Johan Carlsson from Colliberty works on web site programming.

Sophie Attali, Sowatt, served as eceee's consultant in the start-up phase of the Summer Study. Due to other commitments, she was not available for further work as a conference manager, and the work is now managed by ICE staff Christel Broussous and Corisande Javer under Kenya Tillerson's leadership.

Auditor

Thomas Lindgren from Lindebergs Grant Thornton in Uppsala, Sweden, has been eceee's auditor.

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Annex: Board members 2007-2009 (Status Sept 2008)

Board members from member organisations

- Peter Bach, Danish Energy Authority, DEA (President and chair of the board)
- Rob Kool, SenterNovem, The Netherlands (vice President and vice chair of the board)
- Anne Guri Selnæs, Enova SF, Norway
- Holger Krawinkel, Verbraucherzentrale Bundesverband, VZBV, Germany
- Zoltan Zavody, Energy Saving Trust, UK
- Tadeusz Skoczkowski, Polish National Energy Conservation Agency, KAPE, Poland
- Carlos Lopes, Swedish Energy Agency, STEM
- Didier Bossebœuf, Agence de l'Environnement et de la Maîtrise de l'Énergie, ADEME, France

Individual ecee members in the board

- Eoin Lees, Eoin Lees Energy, UK (vice president and vice-chair of the board)
- Rod Janssen, Helio International
- Zdravko Genchev, Eneffect, Bulgaria
- Randall Bowie, Rockwool, Denmark

Alternates

- Marcella Pavan, Regulatory Authority for Electricity and Gas, Italy (alternate for Eoin Lees)
- Hal Wilhite, University of Oslo, Norway (alternate for Anne Guri Selnæs)
- Aude Bodiguel, ADEME, France (alternate for Didier Bossebœuf)
- Diana Urge-Vorsatz, Central European University, Hungary (alternate for Zdravko Genchev)
- Renée Bruel, SenterNovem, The Netherlands (alternate for Rob Kool)
- Anna Forsberg, STEM, (alternate for Carlos Lopes)
- Michael Geissler, Berliner Energieagentur (alternate for Randall Bowie)

Advisory committee members (September 2008)

- Anibal Almeida, University of Coimbra, Portugal
- Marcello Antinucci, Modena Energy Agency, Italy
- Anita Eide, European Commission, Belgium
- Nick Eyre, ECI, United Kingdom
- Lloyd Harrington, Energy Efficient Strategies, Australia
- Jens Laustsen, International Energy Agency (IEA), France
- Benoit Lebot, UNDP, Dakar, Senegal
- Eduardo Maldonado, University of Porto, Portugal
- François Moisan, ADEME, France
- Hans Nilsson, Fourfact, Sweden
- Lorenzo Pagliano, Politecn Di Milano, Italy
- Adriaan Perrels, VATT, Finland
- Agneta Persson, WSP, Sweden
- Lee Schipper, University of California, Berkely, USA
- Hans-Paul Siderius, SenterNovem, The Netherlands
- Joanne Wade, Impetus Consulting, United Kingdom
- Stefan Thomas, Wuppertal Institute, Germany