

PRESS RELEASE

For information: Eurogas appoints a new Secretary General

Eurogas is pleased to announce that Ms. Beate Raabe will join Eurogas as the association's Secretary General as of May 16th.

"Ms. Raabe is known for her professional outstanding skills in the energy field, in particular regarding gas markets" said Mr. Jean-François Cirelli (GDF SUEZ), President of Eurogas.

She started her EU Affairs career 18 years ago at the International Union of combined Road-Rail transport companies (UIRR) in Brussels, moving on later to the German and Swedish railways. She joined OGP in 1998 as Manager EU Affairs and was promoted in 2005 to head OGP Europe at the Brussels representation office.

"Eurogas members value her strong EU public affairs experience and expertise within the oil and gas sector, as well as her professional and successful approach to running an association", said Mr. Cirelli.

Ms. Margot Loudon will continue to work for the association as Deputy Secretary General. Mr. Simon Blakey will continue his task as Special Envoy to enhance the advocacy role of Eurogas.

Asked about her new leadership role, Ms. Raabe said that she "found the Eurogas team highly motivated and looks forward to working with the secretariat staff and members in a strong joint effort to confirm the sustainability of gas in a well-functioning energy market".

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