

## **EDF relations with trade associations and lobbying process review**

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### **2022 process review's results**

EDF has adopted in 2020 its Raison d'être which is "to build a net zero energy future with the electricity and innovative solutions and services, to help save the planet and drive wellbeing and economic development".

EDF's Raison d'être is enshrined in the Company's bylaws, it is at the heart of its business model, its CAP 2030 strategy, and is reflected in its Corporate Social Responsibility commitments.

EDF's EU lobbying refers to the promotion or the defence of the company's interests by its representatives towards the European institutions, in line with EDF's Raison d'être and with the aim of influencing proposals or decisions which are likely to have an effect on the EU's climate and energy framework and on the company's activities. EDF is committed to transparent and responsible lobbying.

EDF is committed to conduct all its lobbying in line with its Raison d'être and the goals of the Paris Agreements ("*holding the increase in the global average temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels and pursuing efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels*"). Over the past year, EDF has continued to advocate our climate-related positions in support of the Paris Agreement and the EU climate neutrality target in all the trade associations to which we belong.

More specifically, EDF, through UFE, strongly supported an 'at least 55%' GHG emissions target in the internal discussions within Eurelectric.

All the following associations have also publicly stated their support for the -55% target by 2030 with the full backing of EDF's membership:

- Bioenergy Europe
- SGI Europe
- IETA
- EHPA
- Euroheat & Power
- Hydrogen Europe
- Wind Europe
- EFIEES
- EFET

Other associations, such as EASE and Nucleareurope, do not currently have such specific messages but are fully committed to the climate neutrality target to 2050.

EDF pays specific attention to its trade associations' climate positions towards Paris agreements.

### **Associations and lobbying process review**

EDF's European Affairs Division animates closely all engagement of EDF's entities with trade associations and think tanks including their alignment with EDF's "raison d'être".

All lobbying activities are therefore conducted in line with the principles of the Just Transition as well as the goals of the Paris Agreement, and EDF also monitors partner associations to align their actions with these.

A review process has been put in place which triggers – when needed – follow-up actions. It notably consists in yearly reviews and assessments of EDF's partner associations, based on their alignment with the Paris Agreement and with Just Transition<sup>1</sup> principles. Each entity puts into question EDF's role in the association and the alignment of the latter with the Group's raison d'être.

In the case where a gap is identified between the association's principles and what the Group promotes via its raison d'être and its commitment to the Paris Agreement, EDF provides analysis on the way in which, while remaining a member of the association, it can still promote its values. Each entity/business line is responsible for the associations whom it is a member of.

Once complete, if this review process sheds light on material misalignment, EDF's stance is to encourage the associations to take a more proactive approach to climate advocacy. EDF is convinced that it can more efficiently bring change from within, rather than from outside. However, if we notice little possibility for change, our review process may result in an arbitrage to reassess our membership of some organizations and consider joining in new ones.

#### **2022 Associations' review**

Date	21/12/2022
Association	Bioenergy Europe
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the Paris Agreements?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Is strongly committed to be net-zero by 2050</li> <li>- Pays attention to the drawbacks of bioenergy culture (threat to biodiversity, use of land...)</li> </ul> <p>Follows all the rules imposed in the sector</p>
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Respects the land of local populations (cultivating bio energy requires large agricultural areas and can pressure those populations)</li> </ul>
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the Paris agreements?	No gap identified
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	No gap identified
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No gap to be filled – EDF is closely following the topic of BECCS, which is not a priority for Bioenergy Europe at the moment.</li> </ul>

Date	16/12/2022
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<sup>1</sup> Just Transition being understood as enabling the energy transition towards net zero while leaving no one behind. It consists for instance in promoting green and decent jobs and workforce retention, reskilling and redeployment of workers when needed, social protection, social dialogue, and proper engagement with affected stakeholders at the local, national, and international level.

Association	SGI Europe
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the Paris Agreements?	In line with the Paris agreement: "SGI Europe and its members – from all sectors – are at the heart of implementing the European vision for a climate- and carbon-neutral Europe."
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Supports the European project on "green jobs"</li> <li>- "SGI Europe also recalls the importance of subsidiarity, as well as the autonomy and expertise of social partners (at local, regional, national and EU levels) in shaping industrial relations. Striking the right balance between EU action, national frameworks, and social partners' agreements, emerges as an ever-growing challenge to improve the quality of life and the EU social-economic model."</li> </ul>
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the Paris agreements?	No gap identified
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	No gap identified
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	No gap to be filled

Date	07/11/2022
Association	IETA
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the Paris Agreements?	<p>IETA's mission is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Empower business to engage in climate action, advancing the objectives of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Paris Agreement as informed by IPCC science"</li> <li>- "Establish effective market-based trading systems for greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and removals that are environmentally robust, fair, open, efficient, accountable and consistent across national boundaries"</li> </ul>
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	Not in the scope of the association
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association and the just transition?	
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	No gap to be filled

Date	17/11/2022
Association	EHPA
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the Paris Agreements?	Promotes electrification of heating and cooling, as a way to reduce GHG emissions in buildings
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	Promotes access to sustainable and affordable heating for everyone by pushing for public policies (taxation, financial support, ...) to allow every consumer to buy a heat pump.
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the Paris agreements?	Necessary to take position on the topic of hybrid heat pumps
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	No gap identified
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	Closely follow the topic of hybrid heat pumps and eventually lobby on it

Date	18/11/2022
Association	Euroheat & Power
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the Paris Agreements?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Published in 2021 a Decarbonisation pledge</li> <li>- Achieved in 2022 a « concept roadmap for carbon neutrality »</li> </ul>
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	Defends the just transition fund
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the Paris agreements?	No gap identified
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	No gap identified
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	No gap to be filled

Date	08/12/2022
Association	Hydrogen Europe
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the Paris Agreements?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Promotes renewable hydrogen</li> <li>- Wants electrolyzers to be built in Europe</li> <li>- Follows the European adaptation of the Paris agreement</li> </ul>
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	Does not comment on the subject
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the Paris agreements?	No gap identified
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	Not relevant
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	No gap to be filled

Date	04/01/2023
Association	WindEurope
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the Paris Agreements?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Develops renewable energy</li> <li>- Does not express any opinion concerning nuclear power and gas power</li> </ul>
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Stands for CBAM to protect European jobs</li> <li>- Promotes skilled jobs in the field of wind electricity generation in Europe</li> <li>- Asserts that wind electricity is a way to get low electricity prices</li> </ul>
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Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	No gap identified
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	No gap to be filled

Date	25/11/2022
Association	EASE Europe
What are the association's commitments and actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Believes that "a range of concrete policy measures are needed to support the achievement of ambitious</li> </ul>

regarding the Paris Agreements?	<p>decarbonisation targets, while supporting the competitiveness of European industry."</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Believes that "energy storage [...] will help in decarbonising the EU economy in line with the Paris Agreement."</li> <li>- Calls for "the need for the ENTSOs to work jointly in developing scenarios, to take into consideration all climate and energy targets (binding and non-binding)."</li> </ul>
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	Asserts that the new market design "must be done in a cost-effective manner to achieve a just transition and meet climate targets."
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Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	No gap identified
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	No gap to be filled

Date	04/01/2022
Association	Nucleareurope (formerly FORATOM)
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the Paris Agreements?	Asserts that nuclear is a way to reach climate goals by closing emitting plants (gas and coal)
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	Asserts that nuclear, especially SMR, allows lots of high skilled jobs to be developed within Europe, which is not the case with gas and coal
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the Paris agreements?	No gap identified
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	No gap identified
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	No gap to be filled

Date	18/11/2022
Association	EFIEES
What are the association's commitments and actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Has engaged largely in the construction of the GD</li> </ul>

regarding the Paris Agreements?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Advocates for higher binding targets, and believes that “additional resources are needed to meet the higher ambitions”</li> <li>- Believes that the Energy Efficiency First principle should be mainstreamed further across the Fit for 55 package</li> </ul>
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	Supports the Social climate fund
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the Paris agreements?	No gap identified
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	No gap identified
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	No gap to be filled

Date	07/11/2022
Association	EFET
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the Paris Agreements?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- “Supports the objective of the strategy to ensure that solar energy achieves its full potential in helping to meet the net zero ambition of the EU”</li> <li>- “Welcomes initiatives to increase the pace of renewables buildout and continue to trust the EU Emissions Trading System (ETS).”</li> <li>- “Welcomes the intention of the EU Commission to accelerate decarbonisation by harnessing market-based carbon capture, utilisation and storage (CCUS) methods.”</li> <li>- Has a neutral positioning on sustainable finance</li> </ul>
What are the association's commitments and actions regarding the just transition?	Does not comment on the subject
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the Paris agreements?	No gap identified
Do you identify any gaps between the commitments and actions of the association and the just transition?	Not relevant
In the event of a gap, what are the possible actions to correct it?	No gap to be filled



### **2022 Review results**

After reviewing these different parameters, EDF has decided to maintain its membership in all these associations.