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# Welcome to the EU Industrial Leaders Round Table: EU PVSEC

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## Introduction

EU PVSEC is the largest international conference for solar research, technologies and applications in Europe, and at the same time an upstream international solar industry and research exhibition. It gathers the global solar community to conduct business, to network and to present and discuss the latest developments and innovations in solar. This year it will be held in Brussels from 24 – 28 September.

Over 2000 participants will gather in Brussels. With almost 1,000 high level presentations (keynote, plenary, oral, visual) from all over the world, the programme is offering both a world-class overview and in-depth insights to discuss the latest developments in solar and associated technologies. EU PVSEC offers another good opportunity to hold an Industrial Leaders Round Table, which can further discuss the actions that the European Commission is undertaking on clean energy industrial development with leading EU companies

24 September 2018, The Square, Brussels

<b>13:45 – 14:15</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>14:15 – 14:20</b>	<b>Welcome Speech</b> James Watson, CEO, SolarPower Europe
<b>14:20 – 14:40</b>	<b>Opening Speech</b> Maroš Šefčovič, Vice President for the Energy Union, European Commission (TBC)
<b>14:40 – 15:30</b>	<b>Panel Debate</b> The Clean Energy Industrial Forum's priorities. Focusing on the policy actions that can support a competitive EU solar industry, how to best deliver on R&D&I and the role of international trade in developing a strong EU solar sector. Each panelist will make a 3-minute statement on what they expect European policymakers to deliver for the solar industry in Europe in terms of supply side policies. This will be followed by Q&A with audience participants.  <b>Moderator</b> Aurélie Beauvais, Policy Director, SolarPower Europe  <b>Panel</b> Gunter Erfurt, CTO, Meyer Burger Martin Hackl, Global Director Solar Energy, Fronius Christian Westermeier, President, SolarPower Europe and VP Sales and Marketing, Wacker Chemie Julien Pouget, Vice President Renewables, Total Patrick Vandewaetere, Managing Director, Voestalpine Sadef (tbc)
<b>15:30 – 15:35</b>	<b>Summary from moderator</b>
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