



BATTERIES EUROPE: European platform launched to drive research and innovation on batteries

InnoEnergy to lead Batteries Europe platform to facilitate cross sector collaboration

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Dominique Ristori, Director General for Energy for the [European Commission](#), today launches Batteries Europe, the European Technology and Innovation Platform on Batteries to drive research and innovation, knowledge transfer and competitiveness across the European battery value chain. [InnoEnergy](#), Europe's sustainable energy innovation engine supported by the [EIT](#), has been appointed to lead the platform together with the European Energy Research Alliance (EERA) and the European Association for Storage of Energy (EASE).

The platform brings together key European stakeholders in the European batteries research and innovation (R&I) community to support EU competitiveness along the entire battery value chain. Batteries Europe will develop and update research and innovation agendas and roadmaps to spur development of battery projects at both pan-EU and national levels. In addition, the platform will help the R&I community share information, ideas, best practice, research, and access to finance.

InnoEnergy, along with EERA and EASE, will provide secretariat and cross collaboration from its involvement with the European Battery Alliance (EBA). Launched in 2017, the EBA seeks to create a competitive and sustainable battery value chain in Europe and brings together more than 200 stakeholders to develop a market that could be worth €250 billion a year by 2025.

Diego Pavia, InnoEnergy CEO commented: "Energy storage is the linchpin technology for the clean energy system of the future, from grid storage to electric vehicles and cordless tools. It is essential that research and innovation agendas are closely aligned with those in industry to make a seamless transition from concept to reality.

"Batteries Europe will bring about a step-change in the way we collaborate, from mining, refining, design and manufacture, to digitalisation and recycling. By ensuring research and industry actions are taken in tandem, the platform can fast-track our progress towards a sustainable and competitive battery supply chain in Europe."

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Over the next three years, the 1M€ project will facilitate coordination of efforts undertaken by public and private partners and other initiatives involved in battery R&I activities through events, thematic meetings and networking opportunities. In line with the European Commission's priority to accelerate the establishment of a competitive European battery industry, the forum will help to empower the Implementation Plan of the SET plan Action 7 and support the launch of two concrete cooperation initiatives beyond the scope of traditional EU funded projects.

The Secretariat will be supported by project partners Zabala and Clerens Consulting. Following today's launch, Batteries Europe will officially kick off with a large stakeholder event in the coming month.

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About InnoEnergy

InnoEnergy is the innovation engine for sustainable energy across Europe.

We support and invest in innovation at every stage of the journey – from classroom to end-customer. With our network of partners, we build connections across Europe, bringing together inventors and industry, graduates and employers, researchers and entrepreneurs, businesses and markets.

We work in three essential areas of the innovation mix:

- Education to help create an informed and ambitious workforce that understands the demands of sustainability and the needs of industry.
- Innovation Projects to bring together ideas, inventors and industry to create commercially attractive technologies that deliver real results to customers.
- Business Creation Services to support entrepreneurs and start-ups who are expanding Europe's energy ecosystem with their innovative offerings.

Bringing these disciplines together maximises the impact of each, accelerates the development of market-ready solutions, and creates a fertile environment in which we can sell the innovative results of our work.

InnoEnergy was established in 2010 and is supported by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT).

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