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## **Eurovent Secretary General received honour to present during CR Forum in Shanghai**

**Felix Van Eyken focussed on the 'past, present and future' of European HVACR**

**Shanghai, 12 April 2017. As the first-ever association from Europe, Eurovent has received the honour to give a keynote presentation at the renowned CR 2017 Forum during the Opening Reception of the China Refrigeration Expo in Shanghai. In a well-received speech, Eurovent Secretary General Felix Van Eyken has elaborated on the 'past, present and future' of HVACR legislation technologies in Europe, with a focus on the heating sector and heat pumps.**

The CR Forum traditionally opens the China Refrigeration Expo and was attended by close to 300 people. Next to Felix Van Eyken, high-ranking Chinese representatives presented including, among others, Mr You Yongzhi (Director of Research, Chinese Development Research Centre of the State Council), Mr Wang Yuanhong (Chef Economist, Chinese State Information Centre) and Mr Wu Desheng (Director of the Expert Committee of CR Expo).

'It is a great honour for me to be invited to speak at this year's CR Forum.' Stated Felix Van Eyken (Secretary General, Eurovent Association) at the beginning of his presentation. 'In times of global economic uncertainties, we are grateful that the cooperation between China and Europe is developing more positively than ever, for the mutual benefit of both sides. Together with our partner associations CAR and CRAA in China, we are committed to further strengthening our long-established cooperation in the HVACR sector.'

This year, the China Refrigeration Expo is celebrating its 30-year anniversary and today constitutes one of the world's largest HVACR-related exhibitions. For the fourth year in a row, the Eurovent Association is taking part in the show with a European delegation, which is in 2017 led by Eurovent Vice-President Mr Karsten Fuchs (ebm-papst Mulfingen). The presentation given during the CR Forum can be found within the section 'related documents' of the online version of this Press Release.

### **Enclosed documents**

Eurovent logo files
PDF version of the PR
Presentation given during CR 2017 Forum

## About Eurovent

Eurovent is Europe's Industry Association for Indoor Climate, Process Cooling, and Food Cold Chain Technologies. Its members from throughout Europe, the Middle East and Africa represent more than 1.000 companies, the majority small and medium-sized manufacturers. Based on objective and verifiable data, these account for a combined annual turnover of more than 30bn Euros, employing around 150.000 people within the association's geographic area. This makes Eurovent one of the largest cross-regional industry committees of its kind. The organisation's activities are based on highly valued democratic decision-making principles, ensuring a level-playing field for the entire industry independent from organisation sizes or membership fees.

Eurovent's roots date back to 1958. Over the years, the Brussels-based organisation has become a well-respected and known stakeholder that builds bridges between manufacturers it represents, associations, legislators and standardisation bodies on a national, regional and international level. While Eurovent strongly supports energy-efficient and sustainable technologies, it advocates a holistic approach that also integrates health, life and work quality as well as safety aspects. Eurovent holds in-depth relations with partner associations around the globe. It is a founding member of the ICARHMA network, supporter of REHVA, and contributor to various EU and UN initiatives.

## Our Members and 'Affiliated Manufacturers'



Our Members are national associations from Europe, the Middle East and Africa that are representing manufacturers in the area of Indoor Climate, Process Cooling, and Food Cold Chain technologies.



The more than 1000 companies within their networks (Eurovent 'Affiliated Manufacturers') can directly participate in Eurovent activities in a democratic and transparent manner.

## Member types



**MEMBER TYPES**

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**MEMBERS (NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS)**  
 Leading national sector associations from Europe representing manufacturers in the area of Indoor Climate (HVAC), Process Cooling, and Food Cold Chain technologies.
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**AFFILIATED MANUFACTURERS**  
 More than 1.000 manufacturers that are part of Eurovent through the respective national association, and directly participate in Eurovent activities.
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**CORRESPONDING MEMBERS**  
 Manufacturers from Europe, the Middle East and Africa, which do not yet have a national association representing Indoor Climate (HVAC), Process Cooling, and Food Cold Chain technologies.
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**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS**  
 Organisations that are engaged in activities related to sectors covered by the association, such as associations of engineers and consultants, exhibition organisers, laboratories, and universities.

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## Democratic decision-making



**DEMOCRATIC DECISION-MAKING**

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 Activities rest upon democratic decision-making procedures between members and their representatives
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 'Umbrella association' structure ensures broad and truly credible representation of our industry vis-à-vis policy makers
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 Voting rights independent from amount of membership contributions or company sizes

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