



Newsletter October 2012

EUROPACABLE INTERNAL



New Europacable Offices

On 18 September, the Chairman of the Europacable Executive Board, Mr. Fabio Romeo, opened the new Europacable office in the Diamant Building. Our new office has 2 work spaces and a meeting room seating up to 15 guests comfortably. The objective is to host most Europacable meetings in our own premises, hence saving cost and creating a "home" for our members in Brussels. ([continue reading](#))



Reach-Out-Tour 2012

Backed by very encouraging feedback in 2011, the Europacable Team has continued its Reach-out-Tour to Member Associations and Member Companies. The objective of the meetings remains to provide updates on progress being made within Europacable and – most importantly - to understand the current preoccupations and expectations from our members moving forward.

This year's visits included Brugg Cables, General Cable, Leoni-Kerpen, Nexans, NKT, Prysmian, Tele-Fonika as well as member associations in Italy, Germany, Sweden, Spain and Greece. Sycabel to follow in November.



Launching Pilot: Orgalime Monitoring Services

Starting 1 October, Europacable has launched a first pilot version of the Orgalime monitoring services for the remaining months of this year. The objective is to create a monitoring and early warning system that will ensure that Europacable and its members are informed about relevant EU policy initiatives and developments in a timely manner. First results will be communicated to Europacable members in due course.

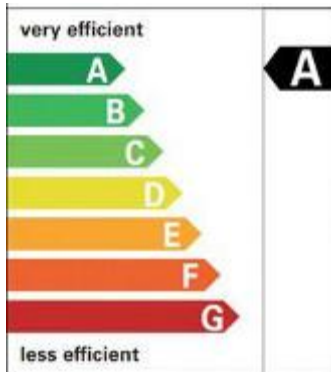
Should we succeed in setting up a satisfactory service, we aim to sign a 3 year service contract with a 1 year trial period starting 1 January 2013. We believe this is a good example of cost sharing via Europacable, the alternative being that individual companies or associations would have to subscribe to this important service.

EUROPACABLE EU LOBBYING

European Commission: Industrial revolution brings industry back to Europe



On 10 October, European Commission Vice President Antonio Tajani, Commissioner for Industry and Entrepreneurship presented a Communication aiming to reverse the declining role of industry in Europe. Europacable will seek to leverage this communication to establish a direct link to DG Industry to present the wire and cable industry. [\(continue reading\)](#)



EcoDesign Directive & RoHS FAQ Guidance Document

Led by the Europacable ECOE team under the Chairmanship of Annette Schermer, we are involved in the current revision of 2 horizontal environmental legislations possibly affecting the wire and cable industry in Europe: The EcoDesign Directive and the RoHS FAQ Guidance Document. [\(continue reading\)](#)

Contribution to Public Consultation



Under the leadership of its new chairman, Mr. Gert Hoefman, Eurotelcab has submitted its contribution to the public consultation “EU Initiative to Reduce the Cost of Rolling out High Speed Communication Infrastructure in Europe” to the European Commission. [\(continue reading\)](#)

Eurodatacab Workshop “Communication”



Initiated by the new Chairman, Mr. Wolfgang Schuh, the EDC Board members participated in a workshop to define the future EDC Communication Program. [\(continue reading\)](#)



DNV KEMA JIP on HVDC Offshore Qualification

In September, Europacable UMP team confirmed its participation in the DNV KEMA Joint Industry Project “Qualification procedure for offshore HVDC transmission technologies.” The kick-off workshop was held in Oslo on 15/16 October 2012. [\(continue reading\)](#)

EUROPACABLE POSITIONING

Speaking Opportunities

Europacable has given presentations at the following conferences:



- Wind Power Forum: „Offshore Cable Installation, Engineering & Maintenance“, London, 29 – 31 May
- EPE Joint Wind Energy and T&D Chapters Seminar: “HVDC Submarine Cable Technology“, Aalborg, 29 June
- Meeting of Mr. Romeo with Sir Graham Watson, MEP, President, European Liberal Democrat and Reform Party (ELDR), Brussels, 18 September
- Meeting of Mr. Romeo with European Aluminum Association, Brussels, 18 September
- WG 1 on Grid Configuration of NSCOGI (North Seas Countries Offshore Grid Initiative), Brussels, Friday 21 September
- T & D and Smart Grids Europe 2012 Conference, Amsterdam, 10 October
- ETP Euroforum conference, Berlin, 19 October

FTTH Council Europe – London, 19 to 21 February 2013



Europacable will again be an Associate Partner of next year’s FTTH Congress in London. Europacable members can benefit from a reduced registration fee (€ 390,00 euro, excl. VAT + € 3 green donation instead of € 490,00, excl. VAT + € 3 euro green donation). Details will follow.

Europacable Meeting Dates 2012 / 2013

UMP	7 November 2012, Europacable Offices Brussels AM
EPC U Board	7 November 2012, Europacable Offices Brussels PM
EPC IND Board	8 November 2012, Europacable Offices Brussels
EWVG	14 November 2012, Europacable Offices Brussels
ETC Board	21 November 2012, Europacable Offices Brussels
Executive Board	27 November 2012, Europacable Offices Brussels
EPC Joint Tech Officers	4 December 2012, Europacable Offices Brussels
EDC Board	5 December 2012, at Leoni-Kerpen (TBC)
ECOE Webex	8 January 2013