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THE VOICE OF THE LIGHTING INDUSTRY

Advocating the Value of Lighting

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



#BetterLighting



Europe's lighting industry ready to roll out technologies to improve our lives

In 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic has left its stamp on our societies, our economies, our companies and ourselves. It has also shown how essential lighting technologies are to our lives and has generated new opportunities to accelerate the uptake of #betterlighting, both in the workplace and at home.

The lighting technology and products available today will help realise Europe's green ambitions: we have multiplied the lifetime of our products by 10 while at the same time dividing their energy consumption by 10 for the same levels of use. Europe's plans to prioritise renovation of buildings will accelerate the installation of these products, the recovery of our economies and the achievement of our target to cut Europe's electricity consumption by 10%.

UV-C lighting disinfection technologies contribute to safe indoor environments where people can again co-exist and collaborate - it's an established mature technology that has been used to disinfect air, water and surfaces for over 100 years and has successfully inactivated all known bacteria and viruses against which it has been tested, including SARS or the common cold.

Our European lighting industry is proud to deliver the products and services that each of us needs every day. Lighting is there no matter what we do, 24/7, 52 weeks a year, indoors and outdoors: to continue to work, to function indoors, to navigate outdoors when there is no daylight, to improve our mood, to disinfect and prevent the spread of viruses and bacteria.

As the voice of over 1000 companies across Europe, we will continue to collaborate with regulators and customers to foster trust in the professionals of Europe's lighting industry and our capacity to deliver quality lighting for all.



Lionel Brunet
President



**Ourania
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Advocacy in a virtual world: fostering multilateral policy debates online

This year we have all had to rethink the way we manage our companies and associations, how we interact, debate and network, and how we collaborate to shape future policies and rules.

LightingEurope operations and activities have transitioned online: all internal meetings are now web calls, we launched the LightingEurope Brussels Direct webinars as a platform for members to learn and exchange directly with regulators and external experts, we organised an online celebration to acknowledge the outstanding contribution of the winners of our 2020 President's Awards.

Having transparent evidence-based multilateral policy debates is the biggest challenge where more needs to be done. We all work at a distance in isolation from peers and online events provide scarce opportunities to voice questions or allow participants to take the floor and express different views.

LightingEurope's priority will be to create public fora where regulators, companies, technical experts, actors from across the lighting value chain can discuss, exchange views and publicly reach a consensus on the best policy option.

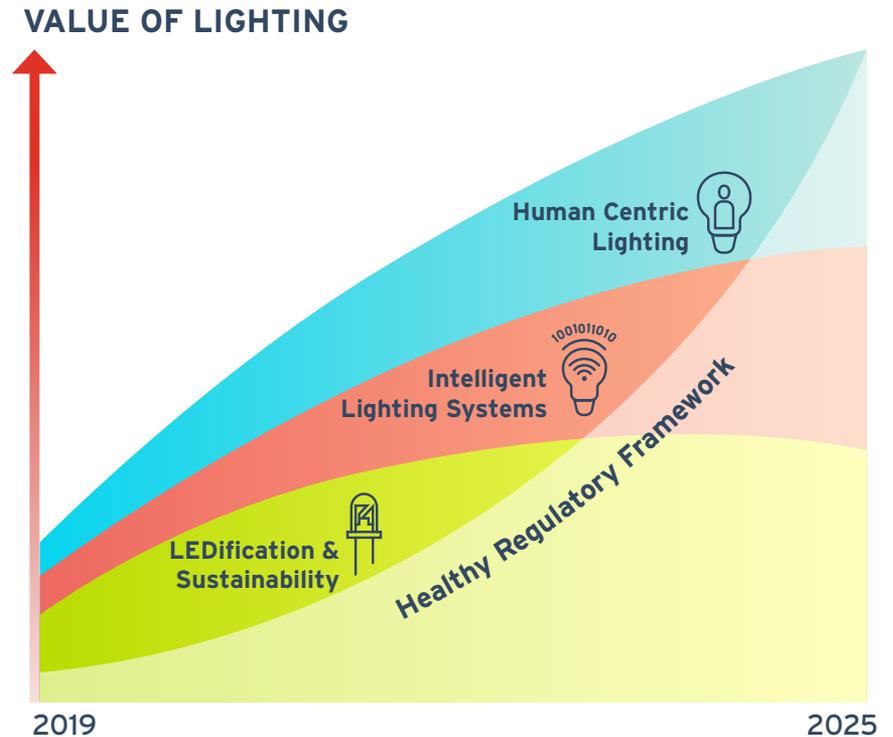
You will read in these pages the LightingEurope achievements that have been delivered by the combined efforts of our members' experts and our team. I take my hat off to them all for their perseverance, their strong spirit, their ability to come together in challenging circumstances, their comradery and continued commitment. They are the heart and the motor of LightingEurope, and it is an honour to continue to serve them. I also would like to acknowledge and thank the outgoing members of the Executive Board and the President, Vice-President and Treasurer for their vision and leadership.

Strategic Vision

LightingEurope continues its progress towards achieving the lighting industry's Strategic Roadmap to grow the Value of Lighting by 2025. The lighting industry is harnessing the potential of LEDification and Sustainability and is delivering energy efficient and sustainable lighting products.

The increased Value of Lighting to society will come from Intelligent Lighting Systems and Human Centric Lighting.

The European lighting industry is working with European legislators to ensure a Healthy Regulatory Framework, with simple, sound rules that are better enforced, foster growth in the market and benefit people.



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EU Policy topics impacting Lighting



Renovation and Quality of Lighting

EU Renovation Wave Initiative

Sustainable financing of companies & sustainable corporate governance

Review of European Building Stock Parameters

Smart Readiness Indicator delegated and implementing acts

Level(s) - The European Framework for Sustainable Buildings

Revision of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive

Revision of the Energy Efficiency Directive

Preparatory study on Building Automation and Control Systems

Green Public Procurement for Office Buildings

EU Cybersecurity Certification Schemes



Trade

Brexit impact & guidelines

LED Custom Codes



Better Enforcement

Digital Services Act

Revision of the General Product Safety Directive

Better Regulation Communication



Circular Economy/ Sustainability

Sustainable Product Initiative

Product Environmental Footprint and LCA

Horizontal legislative requirements

Circular Electronics Initiative

Minimum mandatory GPP requirements

Harmonised system to track and manage information on substances

Minamata Convention Annex A and B review

RoHS exemptions for cadmium, lead and mercury

RoHS review



Product Rules

Revision of the Ecodesign Directive

LED Lifetime Metrics

Communication to update the new industrial strategy for Europe

Revision of the Low Voltage Directive

Legislative proposal to empower consumers (guarantees)

EU Product Database for Energy Labelling (EPREL)

Revision of the Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive

Revision of the Radio Equipment Directive

Advocacy Highlights & Achievements

2020

LightingEurope advocated the revision of the ecodesign and energy labelling regulations, adopted in November 2019, and was successful in:

- correcting the stroboscopic effect requirement (SVM), applicable to LED retrofit lamps in 2021
- clarifying the exemption of stage lighting lamps
- obtaining exemptions for infrared heating lamps for which no LED retrofit exists
- ensuring that the language on containing products is not revised
- allowing products with the new energy label to be placed on the market before 1 September 2021

LightingEurope supported the discussion among the national authorities deciding on changes to the laws through:

- a dedicated stakeholder meeting only on the lighting regulations organised by the European Commission in February 2020 with expert presentations on SVM and test results by LightingEurope members and the Swedish authorities
- a Round-Robin Test with 25 lamp models organised between 2 LightingEurope members and 2 National Authorities laboratories, Sweden and Hessen (Germany), in response to a request from some Member States during the stakeholder meeting
- a LightingEurope webinar with Member State experts in early November before the vote of the National Authorities on all omnibus amendments related to lighting

LightingEurope has successfully advocated for EU renovation policies to go beyond energy savings to also address the quality of the indoor environment

- the importance of healthy buildings has been acknowledged by the European Parliament in two recent reports on the EU building stock
- the European Commission also stressed the need for a better indoor environment in the EU Renovation Wave Initiative

LightingEurope recommends focusing on non-residential buildings and accelerating the renovation of luminaires to transition to LED-based lighting systems in combination with control and sensors. To explain our reasoning, we

- wrote to the President of the European Commission and 4 Commissioners
- exchanged views with the offices of 5 Members of the European Parliament and the Commission service in charge of the Renovation Wave Initiative
- launched a dedicated social media campaign
- joined forces with 7 industry associations representing technical building systems and their repair and maintenance. Together, we drafted the **Healthy Buildings for All** Manifesto, which we presented in a joint webinar during the EU Sustainable Energy Week

LightingEurope regularly publishes and reviews **guidelines** to help companies understand and apply the new complex rules to their products and to help market surveillance authorities enforce them.

We organised 3 webinars in February and March 2020, each attended by over 100 participants, as follow-up to the publication of our guidelines on the day that Regulations 2019/2015 (energy labelling for lighting) and 2019/2020 (ecodesign for lighting) were published in December 2019.

In October 2020, we published **updated guidelines** on these regulations as well as guidelines on the Radio Equipment Directive 2014/53/EU.

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LightingEurope is advocating for a fair allocation of **liability for non-compliant products sold online** and has gained support from the European Parliament. We ask for the introduction of new obligations for online marketplaces in the Digital Services Act, to not only react to notifications of non-compliant products found on their platform, but also to prevent their listing and re-listing. We organised 8 meetings with Members of the European Parliament, a dedicated LightingEurope Brussels Direct webinar with the MEP Rapporteur in charge of drafting the European Parliament's report and launched a social media campaign. We also joined forces with 17 associations and sent a joint letter to EU policymakers. In its report, the European Parliament recommended to reinforce the liability regime of online marketplaces and the introduction of obligations to proceed to certain checks before listing products.

In January 2020, LightingEurope submitted applications to the European Commission to renew 25 **RoHS exemptions** for the use of mercury and lead in lamps beyond 2021. The aim of these applications is to:

- align with the phase-out timetable that has been agreed upon under EU ecodesign rules for some conventional products
- where substitutes are becoming available, ensure the market has sufficient time and resources to transition to alternatives
- where no substitutes are available, ensure the market has continuous access to the lamps they need

The European Commission decision on our 2015 applications is subject to an unprecedented delay. We responded to further requests for additional data and voiced our concerns about the process for publishing new information on the availability of substitutes from a limited set of stakeholders and without informing or consulting the wider market.

LightingEurope is addressing **UV-C disinfection technologies** to harness the booming interest in these technologies as a tool to combat COVID-19. We have launched a new vertical Subgroup to provide a compliant platform for discussion among company experts, published policy statements on the benefits of UV-C and collaborated with lighting organisations from around the world within the Global Lighting Association to align on safety guidelines for this technology. LightingEurope is reaching out to EU and national decision-makers in charge of renovation and health policies, to public health authorities and to the wider value chain to advocate the safe installation and use of quality products and systems, including as part of the upcoming EU Renovation Wave.

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COVID-19 - LightingEurope immediately adapted our operations & activities to continue to provide value for members:

- dedicated task force with at first daily/ now weekly calls to provide overview of measures across Europe and evaluate need for LightingEurope action
- policy statement for members to use in their discussions with national governments
- Brussels Direct webinars: on average 2 webinars/month for members only. Short updates on latest developments impacting the industry and an opportunity to reconnect EU regulators and the lighting industry for a live exchange of views. With over 20 webinars, we've tackled a diverse range of issues including company preparedness for COVID-19, new EU circular economy policies, financial instruments for renovation, Brexit impact on lighting rules, compliance online.
- Secretariat advocacy work in Brussels continues via phone calls and online meetings with EU regulators

LightingEurope member associations have launched the **Business Climate Index** to monitor the macro market data of the lighting sector in European countries. Companies from our member associations from across Europe evaluate their market trends for indoor and outdoor appliances, light sources, drivers and components. The results allow associations to benchmark against other countries/markets and underpin our advocacy work to accelerate renovation of lighting, address non-compliance online and create a fair, competitive and regulatory environment in Europe.

Advocacy in Numbers



38 ASSOCIATIONS IN BRUSSELS ARE OUR REGULAR PARTNERS FOR EVENTS, JOINT POSITIONS OR INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS



17 POSITIONS ADOPTED, INCLUDING RESPONSES TO EU CONSULTATIONS & JOINT STATEMENTS WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS



174 CALLS WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION, THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, MEMBER STATES AND OTHER STAKEHOLDER ORGANISATIONS



7 WEBINARS AND TRAINING SESSIONS FOR INDUSTRY, REGULATORS AND MARKET SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITIES

Brexit preparedness

To help companies make preparations for doing business on both sides of the channel post-Brexit, LightingEurope worked with our UK member national association the LIA to:

- share the LIA expertise and understanding of the new requirements for accessing the GB market post-Brexit with a dedicated webinar and access to the LIA guidelines for LightingEurope members
- contribute to UK consultations on future UK rules impacting lighting products, e.g. ecodesign and environmental requirements

BrusselsDirect webinar series

22 BrusselsDirect webinars for LightingEurope
members - total of 650 participants

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Month	Organization	Theme
May	European Commission, DG Environment 	Update on the Circular Economy Action Plan
	Lumileds 	COVID-19 safety precautions as the new normal
	B2EU 	Post-Covid: Unlocking EU Infrastructure Funds in CEE
June	Lutron 	LIA guide to Wireless Lighting Control
	European Parliament, MEP 	Digital Services Act - recommendations for product compliance online
	European Commission, DG Environment 	Chemicals strategy
July	BEUC 	BEUC views on the Digital Services Act
	B2EU 	Development and funding opportunities in Africa
	EuRIC 	The future of recycling in Europe

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September	AIOTI ↗	EU policy trends for IoT
	EucoLight ↗	How EPR schemes are tackling WEEE online freeriding
	European Investment Bank ↗	The role of the EIB in the Renovation Wave
October	EBC Construction SMEs in Europe ↗	Post-Covid: Stimulus to accelerate renovation in Europe
	CSIL Milano srl ↗	Lighting market worldwide: a mid-year up to date
	European Commission, DG FISMA ↗	Sustainable Finance - an outlook on the EU taxonomy
	Trilux ↗	Repro-light - conclusions from a Life Cycle Analysis concerning the replaceability of luminaire components
November	The Lighting Industry Association Ltd ↗	BREXIT - Changes to technical requirements following the European exit
	Relux ↗	BIM in Renovation
	Anfalum ↗	Product compliance: ANFALUM's market surveillance activities and programme
	Syndicat de l'éclairage ↗	How to tackle the Renovation Wave: the French experience
	European Commission's Joint Research Centre ↗	State of Play-Level(s)-The European framework for sustainable buildings
December	BDP ↗	A circular economy model for lighting
	VOLVOGROUP ↗	ECHA SCIP Database - experience of the construction machinery industry
	LightingEurope ↗	Under your Christmas tree - EU policy initiatives in 2021

Supporting Industry and National Authorities

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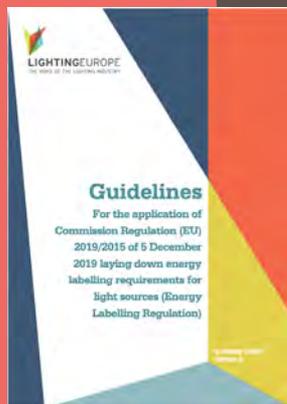
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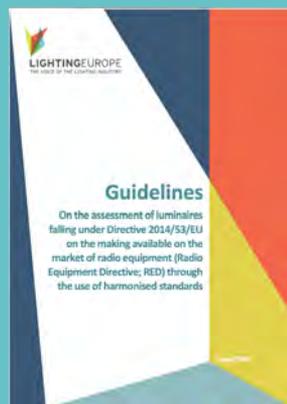
ECODESIGN REGULATION GUIDELINES

VERSION 2 NOW AVAILABLE

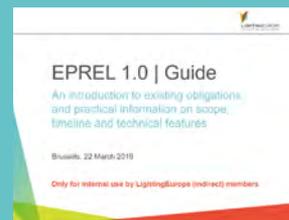


ENERGY LABELLING REGULATION GUIDELINES

VERSION 2 NOW AVAILABLE



RADIO EQUIPMENT DIRECTIVE GUIDELINES



EUROPEAN PRODUCT REGISTRY FOR ENERGY LABELLING (EPREL) GUIDELINES*

*FOR MEMBERS ONLY



FAQ ON UV-C DISINFECTION TECHNOLOGIES



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FEBRUARY

EUROPEAN FURNITURE INDUSTRIES CONFEDERATION
"EU ECODESIGN & LABELLING RULES FOR LIGHTING" 

MAY

RECOLIGHT "LIGHTING & THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY" 

JUNE

EU SUSTAINABLE ENERGY WEEK " BUILDINGS AS GREEN
DEAL HEROES: DELIVERING ON CLIMATE, CIRCULARITY AND
WELL-BEING 

JULY

LPS DIGITAL EU GREEN DEAL - HOW THE EU'S GROWTH STRATEGY
WILL IMPACT THE LIGHTING INDUSTRY 

LIGHTING COUNCIL AUSTRALIA "LIGHTINGEUROPE WORK ON
DEFINING QUALITY OF LIGHTING" 

OCTOBER

NICHIA "WHAT'S NEXT FOR OFFICE LIGHTING" 

LPS DIGITAL "HOW TO ADDRESS THE LIGHTING INDUSTRY'S
CONCERNS REGARDING PRODUCT COMPLIANCE ONLINE" 

NOVEMBER

GIL SYNDICAT DU LUMINAIRE "DISTRIBUTOR DAY - UPDATE ON NEW
ECODESIGN & LABELLING REQUIREMENTS" 

RECOLIGHT "LIGHTING'S REPLACEABLE FUTURE" 

LIGHTING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION "HOW CIRCULAR ECONOMY POLICIES
ARE IMPACTING LIGHTING" 

DECEMBER

EUCOLIGHT "NON-COMPLIANT SALES THROUGH ONLINE
MARKETPLACES" 

LIGHTING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION "ONLINE FREE-RIDING: HOW TO
ADDRESS PRODUCT COMPLIANCE ONLINE IN EU LEGISLATION?" 

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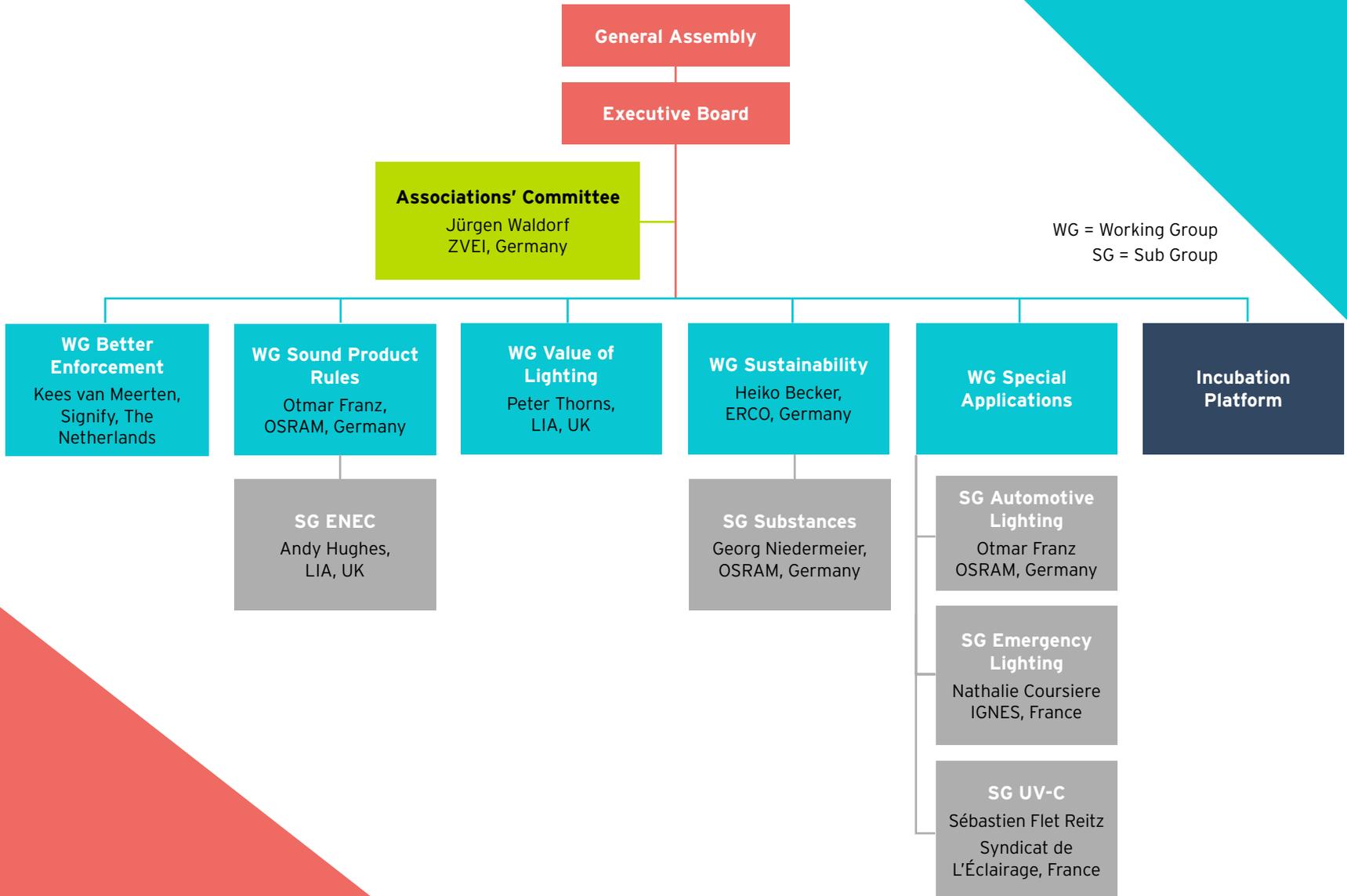


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Deliverables 2021

- Continue to define quality parameters for lighting
- Accelerate the uptake of good lighting and UV-C disinfection technologies by moving EU renovation policies beyond energy efficiency
- Shape EU rules to address product compliance online and ensure safe quality products for users and a level playing field for companies
- Update and publish new LightingEurope guidelines to continue to educate LE members, the wider market and authorities on how to understand, interpret and apply EU rules - special focus on ecodesign/energy labelling revisions and EPREL
- Adapt EU sustainability policy proposals to the specificities of lighting to ensure lighting continues to contribute to a circular economy and Europe's green objectives
- Support national authorities in enforcing EU rules - special focus on EU-funded project EEpliant 3 enforcing new ecodesign and labelling rules and on new opportunities for collaboration among industry associations and authorities
- Shape product rules regarding connectivity (safety, liability, cybersecurity, AI)
- Communicate EU product phaseouts (ecodesign 2021 timeline, RoHS exemptions)
- Manage substance restrictions

From our Partners

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LightingEurope provided key representatives to GLA's UV-C Task Force. The Task Force produced two important documents - UV-C Safety Guidelines and Germicidal UV-C Irradiation: Sources, Products and Applications. Both documents have been widely distributed and the IEC intends to use UV-C Safety Guidelines as the basis for a new Publicly Available Specification. LightingEurope also chaired a Working Group on lighting practices around astronomical observatories. The Working Group was responsible for preparing GLA's October 2020 publication Light at night: the importance of quality lighting and night preservation.

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Bryan Douglas

Secretary General
Global Lighting Association



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Current times show us more than ever how the right lighting can significantly improve comfort, energy efficiency and circularity. At LightingEurope and EuropeOn, we strive to address citizens' need for indoor life quality and mitigating climate change. We are glad to partner with LightingEurope in our #Skills4Climate campaign, to raise awareness on the skills needs for the green and digital transitions and support the professionals responsible for the installation of such efficient and smart lighting systems, set to become the norm going forward.

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Julie Beaufils

Secretary General
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