ACTIVITIES AND KEY BENEFITS FOR MEMBERS

ESTIF shapes policies, informs decision makers, provides expertise and services to its members

- Direct representation, lobbying and input to European institutions on policies, legislations, funding programmes or other initiatives relevant to the solar thermal industry.
- First hand information and training on EU national regulations and policies shaping the framework conditions for the solar thermal market development.
- Exclusive expertise in the field of standardisation, certification and technical regulations (including energy labelling, CE marking and Solar Keymark).
- Authoritative market data and intelligence at EU and national level.
- High-level networking opportunities with key partners, customers, suppliers, public officials, researchers in the European solar thermal and renewable heating and cooling industries.
- Privileged access to ESTIF communication materials, events, conferences, workshops and publications (annual market reports, potential studies and roadmaps).

10 GOOD REASONS TO JOIN ESTIF RIGHT NOW!

1. Be part of the exclusive solar thermal network in Europe.
2. Gain privileged access to ESTIF market information and data.
3. Participate in strategic debates shaping the industry.
4. Strengthen the voice of solar thermal to be heard by the European institutions.
5. Influence European policies to increase the share of solar thermal energy.
7. Get support from ESTIF staff when dealing with EU institutions.
8. Stay informed with ESTIF’s regular newsletters covering solar thermal in Europe.
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Shaping the future of Solar Thermal in Europe

ESTIF represents over 90% of the industry, both directly or indirectly
WHO WE ARE

ESTIF exclusively represents and promotes the whole Solar Thermal sector in Europe

- The sole European association representing the full range of solar thermal applications (residential, services, district heating, process heat, solar cooling etc.), the entire value chain (from raw material suppliers to manufacturers, from control station suppliers to test laboratories) and the different products (flat-plate, evacuated tube, concentrating or air collectors).

- It relies on a network of more than 15 solar thermal national associations. Its members, across 20 European countries, also include some of the major manufacturers of systems and components, research institutes, test laboratories and service providers.

- A non-profit association funded by its members and based in Brussels at the heart of the EU district. It is acknowledged as partner and accredited representative of the solar heating and cooling sector by the EU institutions, the International Energy Agency ( IEA ), the International Renewable Energy Agency ( IRENA ), the United Nations Environment Programme ( UNEP ) and the European standardisation body (CEN).

- The prime mover behind the establishment of several entities that have played a major role in the development of the solar heating and cooling sector, such as the European Renewable Energy Council ( EREC ), the European Technology Platform on Renewable Heating and Cooling ( RHC-Platform ) and the Solar Keymark Network. It is also active in several coalitions working towards a smooth energy transition in Europe.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

ESTIF has secured a vital role for Solar Thermal in the European Energy mix

2003-2013

ESTIF has been instrumental in the recognition of the Solar Keymark, the quality mark and certification scheme which is accepted as “best practice” in and beyond Europe. Building on this success, and with ESTIF support, the Solar Keymark Network set up the Solar Certification Fund which finances projects and initiatives to improve both the quality and performance of solar thermal products.

2000-2010

After a decade of direct or joint advocacy efforts and thanks to the adoption in 2009 of the Renewable Energy Sources ( RES ) Directive, the solar thermal industry benefits from policy measures throughout the EU member states. The RES Directive also required member states to submit National Renewable Energy Action Plans ( NREAPs ) to achieve the 2020 targets for the share of renewable energy in their total energy consumption. These objectives match the projection published in the ESTIF 2009 Solar Thermal Potential study.

2008-Ongoing

Inclusion of solar thermal systems in the energy labelling framework, design of the package label for A+++ solar thermal solutions, also inclusion of recognised solar thermal test methods and standards.

MEETING TOMORROW’S CHALLENGES

Solar Thermal as a key technology for the European Energy Transition

- Support and promote the implementation of the energy labelling and, in particular, of the “package label” with tools and training for the value chain, information and education.

- Implement the Solar Heating and Cooling Technology Roadmap, to ensure that this technology features among the priorities for research and innovation at European level.

- Provide input and vision for policies towards the development of the solar thermal market and its contribution to the decarbonisation of the heating sector with improved building performances.

- Broaden and increase EU support for solar thermal and continuously update the industry’s vision concerning applications, manufacturing, materials, performances and costs.

JOIN US IN SHAPING THE FUTURE OF SOLAR THERMAL IN EUROPE!

70% of national legislation originates from EU laws – this is why it is vital to have a strong Solar Thermal industry representation in Brussels.