

EGE (Waste to Energy Agency) provide exclusive interview in the run up to Energy from Waste 2014

SMi's 7th Energy from Waste, 13-14 Oct 2014, London, will look at the UK & EU EfW landscape with recent case studies, future plant projects & regulatory updates

LONDON, SOUTHWARK, UNITED KINGDOM, October 10, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In preparation for this year's [Energy from Waste](#) event SMi spoke with Pal Mikkelsen, CEO, EGE (Waste to Energy Agency) to find out his opinions on the challenges and regulations facing the Energy from Waste sector.

Interview Extract:

What are the main challenges facing the Energy from Waste sector in the EU?

"Low profitability due to poorly functioning markets [...] insufficient regulation and government control means that disposal continues to be the least expensive option for many EU countries [...] It is difficult to communicate and gain acceptance for the idea that waste energy is entirely renewable in the sense that it cannot be used elsewhere, and that this is the best way to utilise waste resources."

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Pal Mikkelsen. 2014

How do you think new regulations will affect Energy from Waste sector?

"New regulations and increased focus on recycled material will reduce the total amount of waste for treatment, but shifting waste away from disposal will improve conditions for energy recovery."

What are the main challenges for funding EfW projects?

"Long-term profit in a poorly functioning waste market,



with an unstable energy market. [...] Technologies (recycling, sorting, biological, Energy from Waste) are competing when they should be cooperating. The various areas within Energy from Waste are also in competition (combustion grates, gasification, plasma). This impedes the development of the market and makes it more ambiguous for politicians and for capital.”

This is just a snippet of the interview, to view the full version please visit the [event website](#).

Just less than two weeks to go. This year's event will provide the ideal platform for a complete industry overview with updates on an array of EfW projects, latest technology advances and innovations, regulatory framework, financing models, CHP and district heating projects, feedstock in the supply chain along with case studies from the UK and Europe . Speakers will include Ofgem, Green Investment Bank, Amey, Resource Efficiency Pathway, Waste to Energy Agency (Oslo), Merseyside Recycling and Waste.

Network with: Severn Trent Water, Nordic Investment Bank, LondonWaste, Doosan Power Systems, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation Europe, Impetus Waste Management, Essex County Council plus more at this year's event.

Benefits of Attending

- Understand and review the latest update on the regulatory environment governing the energy from waste sector
- Evaluate the different financing models that exist and join a panel discussion with key industry leaders to debate the financing issue in a post PFI world
- Analyse and understand the challenges in securing feedstock in the supply chain
- Discover the latest case studies in UK and Europe

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For more information and full programme details, please visit:

Energy from Waste

13-14 October, 2014

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