

SET-Plan Conference 2019

Helsinki, 13th–15th of November 2019



**R&I in the energy sector
to enhance European industrial leadership**

MEDIA INVITATION

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SET-Plan conference in Helsinki: Research and innovation play a key role in promoting climate neutrality and European competitiveness

Finland's Presidency of the Council of the European Union will organise the annual SET-Plan conference (European Strategic Energy and Technology Plan) on 14–15 November 2019 in Helsinki. This event will focus on energy research and innovation as a driver for the competitiveness of European industry on the road to a climate-neutral society.

The conference will be opened by **Antti Rinne**, Prime Minister of Finland. Other speakers will include **Jean-Eric Paquet**, Director-General of DG Research and Innovation of the European Commission, **Martin Pei**, Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of SSAB and **Petteri Taalas**, Secretary-General of the World Meteorological Organisation. Here is the list of confirmed speakers so far: <https://www.setplan2019.fi/speakers/>

The two-day meeting will feature over 50 presentations and debates in 11 sessions. Approximately 450 policymakers, researchers, entrepreneurs and stakeholders from across Europe are expected to attend.

The topics of the various sessions will include industrial carbon dioxide emissions, coupling between energy sectors and developments in renewable energy. The conference will also address low-carbon technologies, innovations in nuclear energy, and the role of women in the energy sector and in promoting clean energy.

Last date for registration: October 30

Journalists are welcome to attend the conference. Participation is subject to registration by 30.10.2019 at: <https://www.setplan2019.fi/>. There is no separate media accreditation; journalists should register as "Participants". Registration also requires a facial photo and a copy of your official ID.

Press conference 14 November at 10.30

The event will take place at Finlandia Hall (Mannerheimintie 13e). A press conference will be held right after the opening on Thursday 14 November at 10.30, in conference room Veranda 1. The conference will run from 9.00 to 17.30 Thursday and from 9.00 to 14.30 Friday.

The conference will be streamed live at www.setplan2019.fi. Presentation materials and photographs of the event will be available on the same website.

The conference can also be followed on social media. On Twitter, the conference hashtag is #Setplan2019. The event will also feature on Finland's Presidency website (www.eu2019.fi) and Twitter

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account (@ EU2019FI), as well as on the social media accounts of the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment (Twitter: @TEM_uutiset and Instagram: @tyojaelinkeinministerio)

The conference will be organised by the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment in cooperation with the Prime Minister's Office, VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland and the European Commission. Updates from the conference will also be posted on Twitter under the hashtags @SETPlan_eu) and @VTTFinland.

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