Press release



New governance for the association Think Smartgrids

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The Think Smartgrids association, which brings together the smart grids' key players in France, held its 3rd General Assembly last week in Paris. At the assembly, the Board of Directors voted on their new governance for the coming year. Olivier Grabette was elected President of the association and Philippe Monloubou as first Vice-President.

Olivier Grabette, member of RTE's Board of Directors, became President of the Think smartgrids association and succeeds Philippe Monloubou, CEO of Enedis, whose term expired and who will now take the place of first Vice-President of the association. Olivier Grabette will continue developing the international association thanks to the partnerships initiated by his predecessor in Indonesia, Singapore, India and Senegal and will be keen to bring together the smart grids players in France around new emerging themes, specifically smart grids in the territories, storage, self-consumption, electric mobility.

In this regard, he will be responsible for implementing the 3 axes of the association's 2018 action plan: the construction of a value proposition for smart territories, the development of a strategy on smart grids for electric mobility services and establishing the agreement signed last December between Think Smartgrids and SeR (Renewable energies Union).

Hugues de Bantel was re-appointed 2nd Vice President; he also is co-founder and CEO of Cosmo Tech. Current treasurer Antoine de Fleurieu will remain in his post and Valérie-Anne Lencznar was re-elected as Managing Director.

Reunited for their traditional General Assembly, the members of the association thanked the board for their dynamic services, particularly M. Monloubou for the momentum gained by the association and its presence in the French institutional and corporate landscapes.

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About Olivier Grabette :

Olivier Grabette is a member of the Executive Board of RTE - Deputy Chief Executive Officer in charge of the Prospective, Expertise and Solutions division since October 2015. Graduate of the National School of Aeronautics and Space and holder of a DEA in automation, he held numerous positions in the engineering of electricity transmission networks in France and abroad, before joining RTE's maintenance activities in 2002. From 2006, he held various management positions at the RTE's National Center of Expertise Network. In 2012, he created RTE's R&D Department and in 2014 became RTE's Deputy Chief Executive Officer in charge of the Economy, Markets and Innovation. In 2014, he accompanied RTE's presidency in the Smart Grids project and became in 2015 1st Vice-President of the Think Smartgrids association.

About Philippe Monloubou :

He graduated from l'Ecole Spéciale des Travaux Publics and from the Institut d'Administration d'Entreprises of Rennes. As a member of EDF Distribution Activity since 1979, he knows the issues of local development. Along with various positions from Charente to Corse, Ile-de-France, Rhône or Savoie, he was also the chairman of Rhône Pluriel Initiatives, the association federating the public and private economic partners in order to accompany business creators and buyers. Internationally, he also participated in the development of EDF abroad – in Argentina and South America. From 2011 to 2014, he was EDF French Commerce director and managed its 27 million individual clients, businesses and collectivities. On the 23rd of January, 2014, he was appointed Chairman of the ENEDIS Directory and reprised this role in early 2018.

About Think Smartgrids :

The French Think Smartgrids Association is made up of 100 members from the world of business, the academic world, competitiveness clusters, players in the electricity sector and SMEs. It benefits from two observer members: the Energy Regulation Commission and the French State, through the Enterprise Department and the General Directorate of Energy and Climate. Chaired by Olivier Grabette, a member of the executive board of RTE, the association aims to gather and develop the French smartgrids sector, promote it abroad and make the voice of its members heard among key players.

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