

UPEI ELECTS NEW PRESIDENT

UPEI, the voice of Europe's independent fuel suppliers, is pleased to announce the election of Dr Brian Worrall as its new President with immediate effect.

At its General Meeting held in Bonn on 18-19 October, the UPEI membership elected Brian Worrall as President of the Presiding Board, taking over from Acting President Thierry De Meulder.

Brian Worrall is Director of Corporate Affairs for DCC/Certas Energy UK Limited and has held the office of Vice President of UPEI since January 2018. Replacing Brian Worrall as Vice President is Mr Mathias Ploetzke (MEW - Mittelständische Energiewirtschaft Deutschland) who was elected to the position on the same occasion.

The three remaining Vice Presidents of the UPEI Board remain unchanged since January2018 and are:Anna Bes, Director General Dyneff, Spain

Johan Deleu, Manager Government Relations & Public Affairs, VARO Energy Belgium NV

Erik De Vries, Director NOVE, The Netherlands



Dr Brian Worrall, President of UPEI

"I am delighted to take up the position of UPEI President and thank the membership for its confidence and support in this respect. I look forward to taking UPEI forward and engaging more deeply on the role that independent fuel suppliers can play in the energy transition, as well as the potential and benefits of liquid fuels in this context. I would like to pay tribute to my predecessors Thomas Johannsen and Thierry De Meulder and thank them for their commitment and hard work.

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UPEI represents European importers and wholesale/retail distributors of refined petroleum products and their alternatives, supplying Europe's customers, independently of the major petroleum producers.

Independent suppliers, covering more than a third of Europe's demand, play a crucial role in an evolving market by bringing competition which is vital to the economy. Their independence enables them to respond rapidly to changes in terms of market structure, products and services, contributing to security of supply on a local, regional and national level.



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