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## Save the date:

**The annual meeting of the European Technology and Innovation Platform on Photovoltaics will take place on 18 & 19 May, 2017 in Brussels**

- **Conference of the European Technology and Innovation Platform will focus on “PV Manufacturing in Europe”**

The annual meeting of the European Technology and Innovation Platform (ETIP) on Photovoltaics will take place this year on 18 & 19 May, 2017, at BIP, Rue Royal 2-4, 1000 Brussels, Belgium.

The 2017 Conference of the European PV Technology & Innovation Platform will be the right place to confront different visions for the future of the PV manufacturing in Europe. With a global PV market that grew tremendously in the past years and reached about 75 GW in 2016, the place of Europe must be strengthened and redeveloped. This event will allow identifying the technological opportunities and the European opportunities for local and global manufacturing.

The Steering Committee of the ETIP PV met on January 24 in Brussels invited by the ETIP PV Chairman Marko Topič. A major topic of the meeting was the discussion about the content of the upcoming ETIP PV Conference in May this year. The conference will offer the opportunity to join the industry leaders as well as top-ranking scientists, engineers and policy makers to discuss the status and future of “PV Manufacturing in Europe”.

The ETIP meeting included also the review of the strategy and corresponding implementation plan for research & technology development as well as the regulatory framework for the deployment of photovoltaic solar energy in Europe.

## Note to editors:

The European Technology and Innovation Platform Photovoltaics (ETIP PV) is a continuation of the European PV Technology Platform (EU PVTP) and the Solar European Industry Initiative (SEII) in a single platform under the new SET Plan governance. The ETIP PV's mission is in line with the Energy Union and the SET Plan priorities with focus on “Renewable technologies at the heart of the new energy system” and Europe to become “number 1 in renewables”. ETIP PV gathers all the relevant stakeholders of the



PV sector, with arrangements for cooperative discussions with member states (MS), associated countries (AC), and the Commission services. Its main role is to provide consensus-based strategic advice on all issues relevant to progressing research and innovation (R&I) efforts.

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