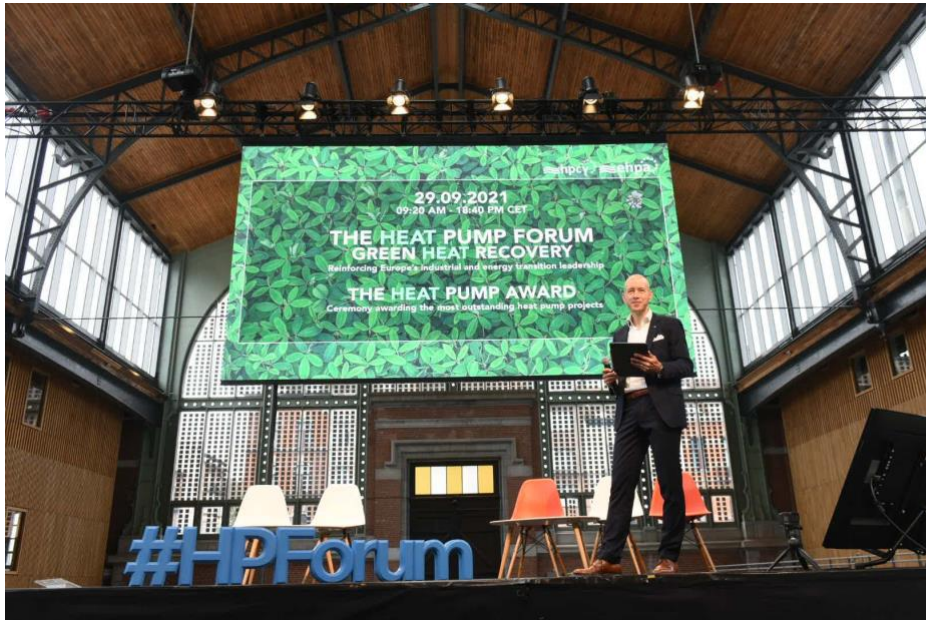


**Press Release**  
**Brussels, 30 September 2021**

A 100% renewable society is possible with heat pumps!



**EHPA celebrated its 21st anniversary while hosting the Heat Pump Forum, a hybrid event where the heat pump industry joined forces with the policy-makers as equal partners in reaching their common objectives for a green heat recovery.**

On September 29<sup>th</sup>, the #HPForum: Green Heat Recovery took place in the magnificent Gare Maritime, in Brussels. The aim of the forum was to discuss what is needed today to decarbonize Europe's "heating and cooling" fully and effectively by 2050.

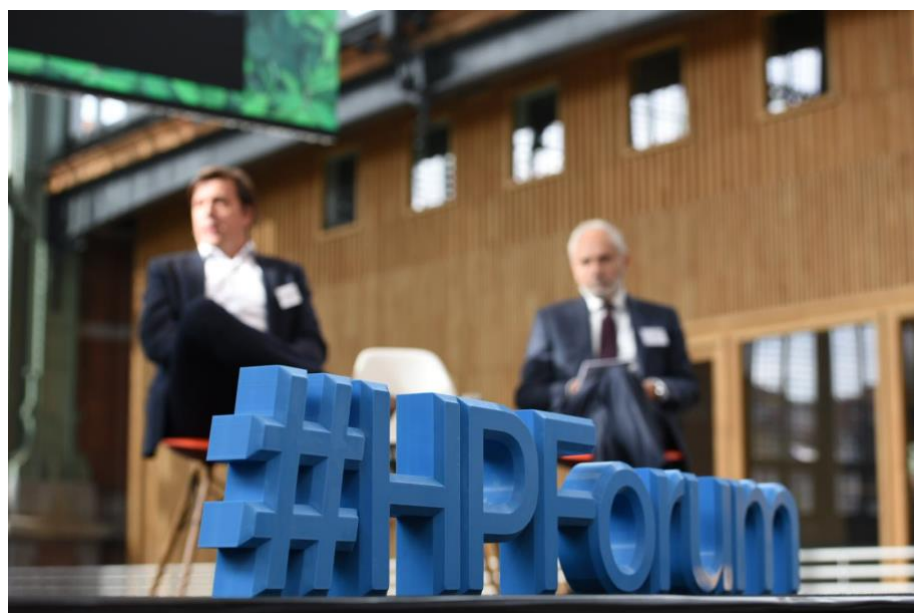
More than 110 participants were present at the Gare Maritime-the building that that was also the winner of the 2020 DecarBuilding category of the Heat Pump Award. The stunning venue is heated and cooled with heat pumps.

Over 350 attendees also joined virtually the diverse program of panel sessions and expert interventions covering heat pump applications for residential and industrial buildings, digitalisation and new business models. The conference also covered the need for competence in the value chain as well as for simple solutions and an optimised customer journey. The day concluded with the presentation of the five winners of the 11th edition of the Heat Pump Award in the Heat Pump City of the Year, DecarBuilding, DecarbIndustry, Out of the box and People's Choice Awards categories.

The event gathered 31 thought leaders as speakers and moderators, among which high-level policy-makers, major players of the heating and cooling industry, influencers from related stakeholders who shared their insights throughout the different sessions.



“EHPA looks back at 21 years of growing its network in Brussels. With heat pump solutions being fully recognized towards achieving the energy and climate targets, the next 2 - 3 decades will be characterized by an effort to make ambitious targets the reality on the ground. An integrated energy system will use a maximum of renewable energy, both electricity and thermal energy, integrate waste heat from industry and buildings and be near to emissions-free. EHPA and its members are well prepared to contribute to this discussion on the policy level and to deliver the needed solutions to end-users. The technology is available today. We need policy innovation to ensure a fast mass deployment.” **said Thomas Nowak, EHPA’s Secretary General.**



The conference was followed by the Heat Pump Award ceremony to celebrate the most efficient, smart, and sustainable Heat Pump projects of the year.

The forum opened new doors towards a decarbonized Europe by 2050 and proved that a fully renewable society is possible with heat pumps!

Judging from the smiles on the faces of the participants, the forum was a great success. The active participation resulted in a change-making experience.

Thank you to everyone for their contribution, whether they attended in person or online. EHPA would like to thank in particular the speakers for the invaluable exchange and the sponsors Daikin, Vaillant, Bosch, Stiebel-Eltron, EDF, Emerson, Trane Technologies, Panasonic, JCI and Clivet Spa for their trust in the team and support of the event.

We're looking forward to the Heat Pump Forum 2022, taking place on the 28<sup>th</sup> of September!



More information about the forum [here](#)

More information about the speakers [here](#)

More information about the Heat Pump Award [here](#)

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### **Note to the editor**

EHPA promotes awareness and deployment of heat pump technology in Europe. All activities aim at creating a market environment that facilitates a faster deployment of heat pump technology to unleash its benefits on a European level: efficient heating and cooling using renewable energy. EHPA also coordinates the Heat Pump Keymark – a European certification scheme for all heat pumps, combination heat pumps and hot water heater. For more information, please visit: <https://www.ehpa.org/>