

Biannual Update

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Dear Pellet Professionals and Subscribers,

Welcome to the year-end edition of the EN*plus*[®] newsletter!

2024 was another year of dilemmas for many in our sector. Even though pellet prices have nearly returned to pre-crisis levels, the confidence in the market is yet to be fully recovered.

We end the year with over **1300 certified companies**, approximately **1200 fraud cases resolved**, and an estimated growth in annual certified production volumes. All this give us hope that the domestic pellet sector is resisting the turbulence and is headed to better times.

It was a true pleasure meeting many of you in person during our quality managers training courses, inspection training events, workshops, conferences, and other industry gatherings. The development of the scheme and market stability are direct outcomes of our collective efforts and dedication. On behalf of the EN*plus*® management, I extend my heartfelt thanks for your contributions.

I also invite you to review the content below to catch up on all the important updates from the past six months.

Wishing you a wonderful (and cold $\textcircled{\ }$) holiday season!

Interview

The Certification Director at the EN*plus*[®] Head Office, Elena Dumitru reflects on the past year and shares what's ahead for the world-leading certification scheme for wood pellet quality. Find the interview here.

New partnership

Cadel srl is the latest pellet appliance manufacturer to become our partner in increasing awareness about the importance of using high-quality pellets. The company is specialised in the design and production of pellet and wood stoves and pellet fireplaces. Cadel srl is based in Italy and for over 60 years has been offering efficient and reliable solutions for sustainable home heating, supplying both the Italian and European markets (with a strong presence in France).

Market Surveillance Project

The Market Surveillance Project is an initiative aiming at analysing EN*plus*[®] certified bags of pellets randomly taken from the market in order to assure compliance with the EN*plus*[®] standards. The project is part of EN*plus*[®] procedures for constant quality control and is open to anyone who wants to submit a sample of certified pellets for analysis. If you are interested in participating, contact us at: enplus@bioenergyeurope.org.

Quality Managers training



The last Quality Managers training for 2024 was held on 10 December in Romania. Next year, such training events will take place in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Poland, Serbia and Slovenia.

Conformity Assessment Bodies

In the past months, BM Certification SIA was listed as an EN*plus*[®] certification body and Alfred H Knight North America was listed as an EN*plus*[®] testing body. Visit our Conformity Assessment Bodies page for the complete lists.

Witness Assessment

As part of the Certification Integrity Programme, this year witness assessments were conducted for DQS Polska Sp.z.o.o, ENAMA servizi SrI and SGS ICS Lda.

FAQ

The scheme's users who still have doubts about changes introduced with the scheme revision could check the FAQ section, which provides an exhaustive list of questions and answers on various topics.

Mobile Application

We launched an EN*plus*[®] application that allows you to check if a pellet supplier is EN*plus*[®] certified and therefore trustworthy or blacklisted by the scheme for fraudulent activities related to the certification. It's available for download on Android devices. We are working now to make it also available on the Apple Store.

More than a Decade With Us

Our initiative "More Than a Decade With Us" shares the stories of the companies that were among the first to join EN*plus*[®] and remained certified over the years. Don't miss the ones of RZ Pellets and Warmeston OÜ.



Training for inspectors

Date: 24/02/2025 - 26/02/2025 Location: Vienna, Austria

This training is organised for inspectors who want to perform EN*plus*[®] inspections of pellet production plants and pellet trader facilities. Learn more!

+ 61 CERTIFIED COMPANIES

July-December! The latest certified companies are listed below:

BG 310: SKV Industries Ltd

DE 536: A. Westerbarkei GmbH & CO KG

FR 031: SAS Le Pellet Arédien

FR 034: LES BATS SCIERIE D'AQUITAINE

IT 440: Holzindustrie S.r.I. IT 441: Venturini Energy S.r.I. PL 377: SYNERGIO SA

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BLACKLISTED COMPANIES!

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TERMINATED COMPANIES

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AT 356: Österreich Holz Pellets GmbH

AT 383: TCS Recycling GmbH

CN 003: Shenzhen Eparcel Technology Co., Ltd.

CN 006: WEIFANG DALIN BIOMASS ENERGY TECHNOLOGY CO.,LTD TR 019: MAY PELET ORMAN ÜRÜNLERİ LOJİSTİK DEPOLAMA SANAYİ

TİCARET İTHALAT İHRACAT ANONİM ŞİRKETİ

US 041: Quitman Pellets, LLC

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