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**Press Release**

**LightingEurope Board appoints new President**

The LightingEurope Executive Board has appointed Peter Hunt as new President for a term of 2 years.

Peter is COO of the UK Lighting Industry Association (LIA) and CEO of Lumicom, the UK WEEE Compliance Scheme for the lighting industry.

“With his background as a lighting entrepreneur and his experience in the LIA, Peter understands very well the interests of both our company and our industry association members” says Jan Denneman, the outgoing President of LightingEurope. “As he has also developed a joint lighting strategy with the UK Government which directly led to the launch of the LIA Training Academy in September 2016 and a new state of the art test laboratory, I am confident he will make a strong contribution to reinforcing LightingEurope’s outreach to EU policy-makers to shape and deliver a growth strategy for the lighting industry in Europe,” and adds, “I am very pleased to continue as Vice-President for another year and support the needed paradigm shifts in lighting as well as with regulators.”

Peter Hunt’s introductory message: “I am delighted to have been given this opportunity to help drive our new strategy for the EU lighting industry which seeks to move the agenda on from pure energy efficiency towards increasing the value of lighting to society. By this we mean that we want to see a move towards more intelligent lighting systems and installations which bring benefits in terms of a better quality lit environment while recognising the human response to light.

We also want to see a move away from over-regulation to enable our fast-moving technologies to develop. The lighting industry has seen more than its fair share of regulation in recent years and has delivered energy savings beyond any other sector. Now is the time for EU policy makers to recognise that fact and to allow the industry to focus on consolidating those energy savings while supporting the development of smart, humancentric lighting and improving lighting quality.”



Peter Hunt

The General Assembly has elected a new Executive Board. For details, please, visit <http://www.lightingeurope.org/board>

**About Lighting Europe**

*LightingEurope is an industry association of 34 European lighting manufacturers, national associations, and companies producing materials. LightingEurope members represent over 1,000 European companies, a majority of which are SMEs; a total workforce of over 100,000 people in Europe; and an annual turnover estimated to exceed 20 billion Euros. LightingEurope is dedicated to promoting efficient lighting practices for the benefit of the global environment, human comfort, and the health and safety of consumers. More information about LightingEurope is available on our website [www.lightingeurope.org](http://www.lightingeurope.org).*

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