



Advocating the Value of Lighting

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Foreword

The past year has been one of remarkable activity and engagement within LightingEurope.

Our members' strong engagement in working groups and task forces shows their deep commitment to the future of Europe's lighting industry, helping us tackle current key challenges from fair competition to innovation-friendly regulation.



Throughout 2025, LightingEurope has played an active leadership role in Brussels on the crucial issue of better enforcement. We have worked hard to reduce regulatory burdens on companies, engaging on initiatives such as the Omnibus proposals and the preparations for the Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation. Our efforts to support existing market segments and help growth have included submitting RoHS and PFAS exemption requests, contributing to discussions on EPBD implementation, advancing harmonised EPD methods for lighting products, and taking important steps in shaping our position on Light at Night



In 2025, LightingEurope relaunched the European Lighting Summit, a key event in Brussels for anyone interested in lighting and its policy challenges. This event opened the dialogue with actors in the value chain, enabling our industry to discuss matters directly with policymakers.

As we look ahead to 2026, our focus remains on shaping the topics that will define the next phase of our industry. This includes IoT and cybersecurity, promoting connected solutions to address rising energy demand, and tackling key sustainability priorities such as circularity, waste management, and net-zero goals. Another gathering for our industry and its stakeholders will be organised at Light+Building in Frankfurt, where some of our CEOs will discuss the challenges and opportunities facing the lighting industry. LightingEurope will continue to represent your interests and ambitions. Thank you to all members, partners, and staff for your dedication and cooperation; together, we continue to build a sustainable and competitive lighting industry for Europe.

Maurice Maes, LightingEurope President & Secretary General
Elena Scaroni, LightingEurope Secretary General

Strategy 2030



LightingEurope’s Strategy 2030 positions the association as the central platform for the lighting industry – bringing companies and organisations together to speak with one voice and promote sustainable, high-quality lighting. The strategy sets four objectives to guide how this vision will be delivered. By 2030, lighting should be seen as a core element in new builds and renovations, supported by clear, well-implemented regulations.

LightingEurope also intends to lead the discussion on lighting through expertise and collaboration across the entire value chain, while the Secretariat launches new activities to implement the strategy. Several 2025 initiatives advanced the 2030 strategy, including three new European Lighting Forum webinars, the European Lighting Summit on ecodesign, ESPR, and PFAS, as well as preparations for the EU review of lighting ecodesign and energy labelling rules. LightingEurope also joined the Coalition for Energy Savings and held net-zero training sessions, strengthening its role in EU-level energy and decarbonisation debates.

To enhance representativeness, membership fees were reviewed to better include smaller organisations. An ‘Open Days’ webinar and a six-month guest membership programme were launched, with four organisations participating from January to June 2026. In 2026, the Lighting Comes First strategy will continue at Light + Building in Frankfurt, featuring a dedicated booth, a CEO event, and two Open Days to promote lighting’s role in comfort, health, safety, and energy efficiency.

EU Policies impacting the lighting industry

Lighting Systems

EU Renovation Wave Initiative – Smart Readiness Indicator
– Energy Efficiency Directive – Green Public Procurement and Public Procurement Regulation – EU Digital Strategy, incl. cybersecurity – Energy Performance of Buildings Directive – Preparatory study on Building Automation and Control Systems – European Framework for Sustainable Buildings – Workplace Directive

Lighting Products

Ecodesign and Energy Labelling rules for lighting products
– LED Lifetime Metrics – LED Custom Codes – Electromagnetic Compatibility – Construction Products Regulation – Radio Equipment Directive – New Legislative Framework – Digital Product Passport – EU Blue Guide – Low Voltage Directive – Brexit impact & guidelines – External Power Supply

Enforcement of Rules

Digital Services Act – Product Liability Directive – eCommerce Communication – Consumer Product Cooperation Regulation – Ecodesign & energy labeling – General Product Safety Directive – Better Regulation Communication – EU Market Surveillance Regulation

Sustainable Lighting

Regulation on Ecodesign for Sustainable Product Environmental – Footprint and Life Cycle Assessment – Sustainable finance / EU Green Taxonomy RoHS review and exemptions for cadmium, lead and mercury – Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive – EU Waste legislative framework (WEEE & WFD) – Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism – Corporate Sustainability Reporting and Due Diligence – Harmonised system to track and manage information on substances – Legislative proposal to empower consumers – EU Mercury Regulation – Right to Repair – Green Claims

LightingEurope Public Speeches

In 2025, LightingEurope maintained a strong public presence in European and international policy debates through high-level speeches, panels, and open forums. This included debates in the European Parliament (EP) on the Clean Industrial Deal, Affordable Housing, the future role of energy efficiency, and priorities for the Circular Economy Act, and the WEEE Directive as well as a roundtable with the European Commission and Members of the EP on product compliance online. Through these interventions, LightingEurope brought sector expertise into dialogue with policymakers and stakeholders, helping shape discussions on sustainability, competitiveness, and regulatory coherence.

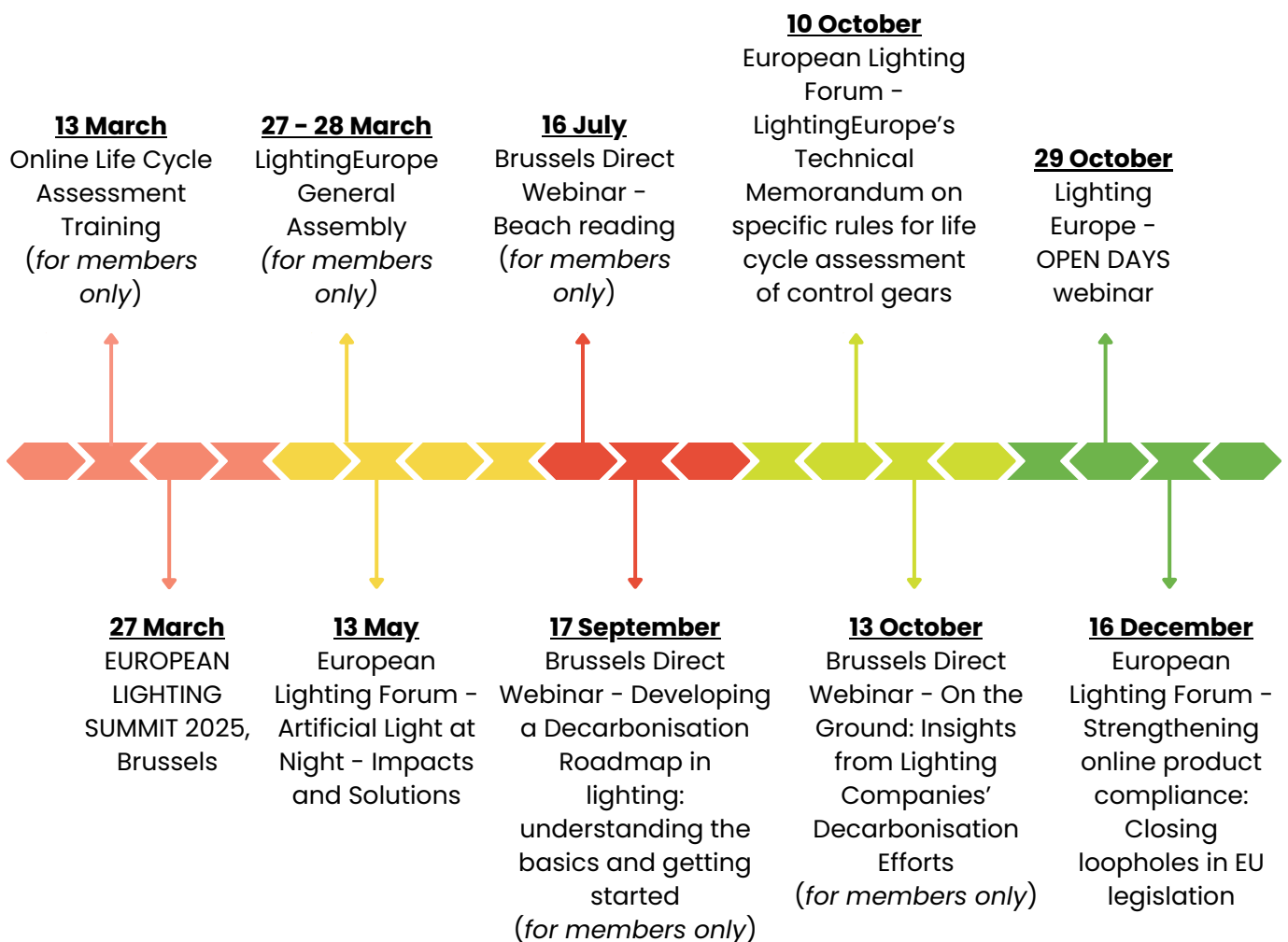


Beyond EU institutional settings, LightingEurope representatives contributed to major international conferences and public events, including the SILEO International Value Chain Forum, the Circular Lighting Conference, LIA Tech-X, the 2050 Connected Conference, Smart City Expo Barcelona, and events organised by EucoLight, ZVEI, RadTech Europe, Engie, and others. Through public speeches and panel discussions on circular economy implementation, light at night, ecodesign and labelling, RoHS and mercury regulation, corporate reporting, enforcement priorities, and value-chain resilience, these engagements reinforced LightingEurope's role as a recognised public voice for the sector and a contributor to practical policy solutions.



LightingEurope Large Events & Special Initiatives

Alongside public-facing activities, LightingEurope delivered a mix of member-only and publicly available trainings, webinars, and governance meetings throughout the year. These included online LCA training, the LightingEurope General Assembly, Brussels Direct webinars on decarbonisation roadmaps and company-level implementation, as well as internal briefings such as the OPEN DAYS webinar. Together, these initiatives supported capacity building, practical exchange, and progress on decarbonisation across the lighting sector.



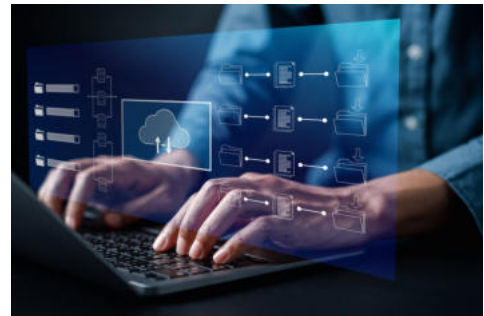
LightingEurope Guidelines



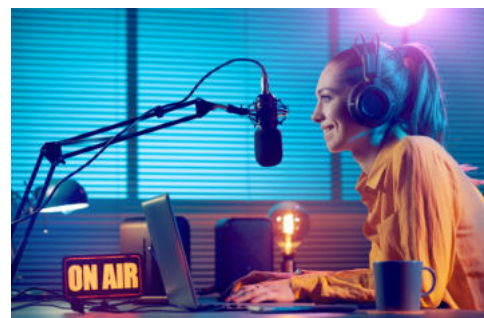
This set of guidelines and reference documents supports manufacturers, designers, and engineers in the European lighting sector. It includes rules for **life cycle assessment (LCA) of control gears, guidance on evaluating and comparing LED luminaire performance, and instructions on the use of lighting product standards and conformity documentation.**



Additional documents address **emergency lighting design and maintenance, compliance with EU sustainability policies under the Green Deal, and updated requirements for Ecodesign, Energy Labelling, and EPREL product registration.** Guidance on the **Radio Equipment Directive** is also provided to support regulatory compliance.



- [Specific rules for life cycle assessment of control gears for light sources](#)
- [Guiding Paper Evaluating performance of LED based luminaires](#)
- [Guidance and Information Paper on The Use of Lighting Product Standards in Europe](#)
- [The LightingEurope Visual Guide for Emergency Lighting](#)
- [EU Green Deal Compendium](#)
- [Ecodesign Guidelines](#)
- [Energy Labelling](#)
- [EPREL database product registration](#)
- [Radio Equipment Directive compliance](#)



2025 Achievements

Working Group Value of Lighting

- **Artificial Light At Night:** Released our first position paper advocating for EU regulations on artificial light at night and established a partnership with DarkSky International.
- **Energy Performance of Building Directive & Global Warming Potential:** Submitted recommendations on the EPBD, emphasising automatic lighting controls and the calculation of GWP.
- **Smart Readiness Indicator:** Promoted improved lighting through a new SRI video and updated the Value of Lighting website.



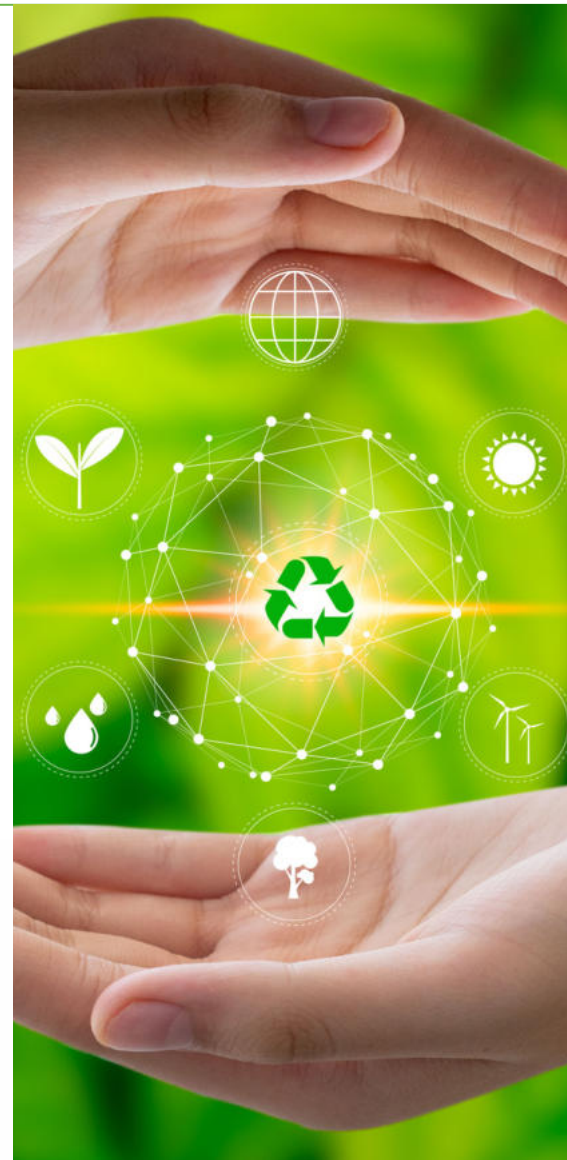
Working Group Better Enforcement

- **Mystery Shopper:** Carried out our annual online mystery shopper exercise, which once again revealed alarming results and demonstrated the need for regulatory change: 76% of the 442 products surveyed online were non-compliant. 84 products were purchased for a visual inspection, resulting in 95% of these products being non-compliant. All 9 lab-tested items failed safety standards.
- **Leader in better enforcement:** Coordinated a coalition of 70 organisations, co-organised a compliance roundtable, and contributed to a parliamentary report on non-compliant e-commerce products.
- **High-level discussions:** Co-hosted a high-level roundtable on online product compliance, bringing together EU institutions, industry representatives, and consumer organisations.
- **E-commerce resolution:** Contributed to a European Parliament report underscoring the urgent need to address non-compliant products sold online.



Working Group Sustainability

- **EU Taxonomy:** Shaped the Do Not Significantly Harm criteria and advocated for including luminaire manufacturing in the Climate Delegated Act.
- **Circular Economy:** Created the Task Force Waste, coordinated input on the Circular Economy Act, and started internal discussions to develop a position on the WEEE Directive revision.
- **Environmental Simplification:** Successfully advocated with other stakeholders during the Omnibus VIII consultation for the repeal of the Substances of Concern database. This change was ultimately included in the Commission proposal.
- **Decarbonisation:** Launched a webinar series to help lighting companies navigate decarbonisation and comply with EU climate requirements.
- **Regulatory Submissions:** Submitted nine RoHS exemption renewal requests (including five in the UK), provided a PFAS use report to ECHA, and completed an LCA Memorandum for Control Gears.



Working Group Sound Product Rules

- **Single Lighting Regulation and Energy Labelling Regulation:** Finalised and presented the initial set of proposals for the Technical Amendment pathway in the review of the lighting Ecodesign and Energy Labelling regulations to the European Commission.
- **Omnibus:** Delivered a rapid, coordinated industry position with amendment proposals on Omnibus IV in record time.
- **EPREL:** Achieved improvements to the EPREL – Energy Label Database public interface based on LightingEurope’s recommendations.



Advocacy in numbers

7,617

**Followers on
LinkedIn**

+400

**Visual
Designs**

1st

**LightingEurope
OPEN DAYS
Event**

3

**European
Lighting Forum**

102

**Policy
Meetings**

16

**External
Presentations**

23

**Brussels Direct
Webinars**

10

Videos on YouTube

2026 Priorities

Sustainability

- Align voluntary sustainability information on lighting products with wholesalers and equipment manufacturers.
- Support lighting companies in advancing decarbonisation strategies through targeted training, webinars, and workshops.
- Finalise LightingEurope proposals for product-specific rules for light sources, while supporting the standardisation of requirements for luminaires and control gear.
- Continue engagement to secure proportional exemptions for lighting products under proposed PFAS restrictions.
- Develop practical guidance on the remanufacturing of luminaires.
- Contribute to the review and simplification of the WEEE Directive and related environmental legislation.



Sound Product Rules

- Continue to influence the forthcoming review of the Ecodesign and Energy Labelling Regulations.
- Conclude advocacy efforts on LightingEurope's positions on the Omnibus IV Package, including common specifications and the digitalisation of information.
- Monitor and, where appropriate, influence developments related to Omnibus energy labelling legislation.
- Review LightingEurope's position on a potential Digital Product Passport for lighting products.










Value of Lighting

-  Promote Lighting Comes First and the value of lighting through a mix of communication tools, including videos, infographics, and a position paper on the quality of light.
-  Advance LightingEurope's position on artificial light at night through structured engagement with policymakers and key stakeholders.
-  Strengthen visibility of LightingEurope's position on EPBD implementation and support outreach to national governments via member associations.
-  Develop a position paper on public procurement rules and contribute to the legislative debate.
-  Engage, where relevant, in initiatives related to affordable housing and renovation.

Better Enforcement

-  Communicate the results of the 2025 LightingEurope Mystery Shopper Exercise, advocating clearer online product liability to policymakers.
-  Conduct the 2026 LightingEurope Mystery Shopper Exercise, assessing compliance through online and visual inspections.
-  Perform additional checks of the EPREL database and report findings to the competent authorities.
-  Influence the revision of the New Legislative Framework and the Market Surveillance Regulation, in cooperation with the LightingEurope Coalition on Enforcement and Online Marketplaces, to clarify the responsibilities of online marketplaces.
-  Continue leading the Coalition and advancing new enforcement initiatives.





Digital

Inform and support LightingEurope members on compliance with requirements in cybersecurity legislative.



Emergency Lighting

Monitor and influence, where relevant, product-specific rules, EPD requirements, and legislation related to circularity and sustainability.



Standardisation

Influence the revision of the Standardisation Regulation and contribute to a more effective EU harmonisation process.



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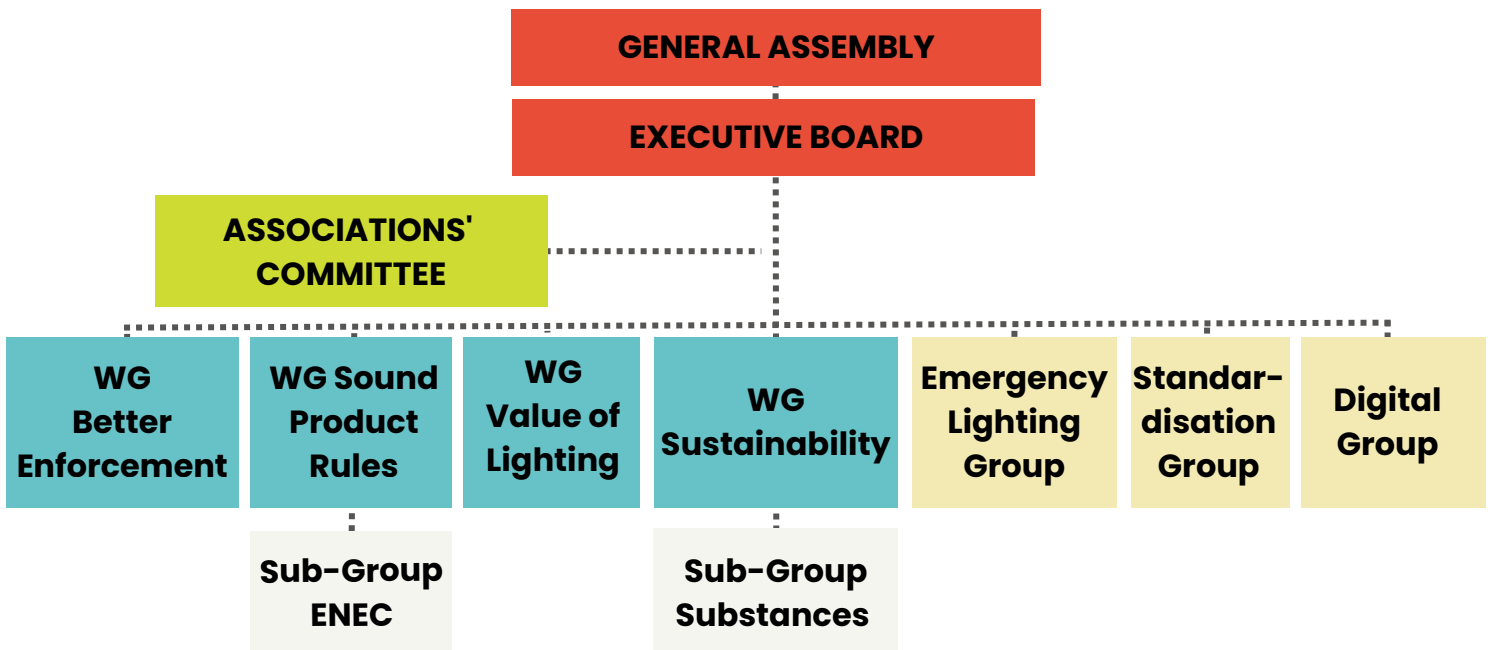


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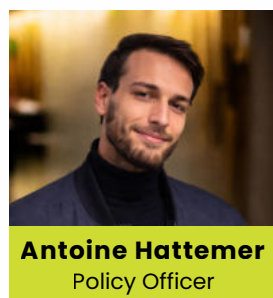
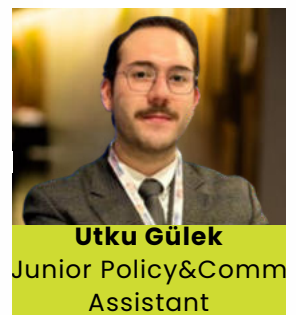
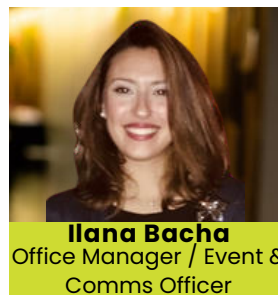
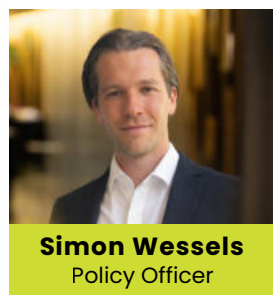
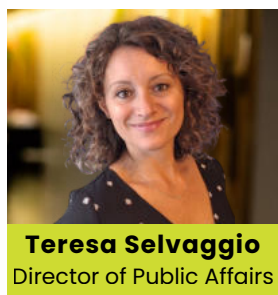
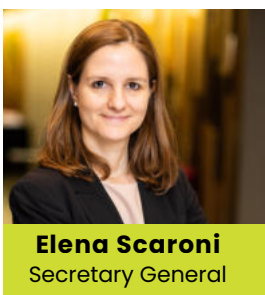
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Organisation & Team



The Executive Board brings together company and association leaders to define LightingEurope’s strategic direction. The General Assembly, made up of all members, is the top decision-making body, setting priorities, actions, and finances.

Working Groups drive our work: experts from member organisations collaborate to develop positions and rules for lighting. Groups focus on specific topics and report to the Executive Board, while SubGroups report to Working Groups on more specialised issues; both can run for several years. Short-term issues are handled by Task Forces, smaller expert teams reporting to the Working Groups.





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