

PRESS RELEASE

THE INTERNATIONAL BATTERIES EVENT DUNKERQUE: DUNKIRK HOSTS THE MUST-ATTEND EVENT FOR THE BATTERY INDUSTRY FROM 1 TO 3 APRIL 2025



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ÉcosystèmeD and Avicenne Energy, in partnership with Dunkerque-Port, are joining forces to organise the Batteries Event Dunkerque international trade fair, from 1^{er} to 3 April 2025 at the Kursaal, Palais des Congrès. Reserved for industry professionals, this event will bring together more than 50 exhibitors, direct industry players, 100 speakers and 700 visitors for three days of exchanges, innovations and strategic opportunities.

Batteries Event Dunkerque: the key event for the battery industry

For over twenty years, Batteries Event has been a must-attend event for the battery industry. This year's Batteries Event in Dunkirk will take place at the heart of a fast-growing ecosystem, and will provide an opportunity to find out about practical developments in the sector through visits to industrial sites, conferences and workshops designed to create the conditions for the success of the battery industry.

For three days, local, national and international participants will be able to **understand the challenges facing the sector, exchange ideas and meet the key players in this booming industry**. The program will cover key issues such as industrial, regional and environmental challenges. The event will also focus on supporting start-ups and new business opportunities, developing the skills needed to structure the industry and integrating new players into the sector. Finally, round-table discussions will be held on the economic, technical and social outlook, and the location of industrial sites dedicated to batteries.

Dunkirk: a key region at the heart of the battery revolution

The Dunkirk area is a major venue for Batteries Event Dunkerque. Positioned at the heart of Europe's electric mobility valley, the region plays a strategic role in three key links in the electric battery value chain: materials preparation, battery manufacturing and recycling. Thanks to large-scale projects, its industrial dynamism is shaping the future of the industry.

Dunkirk stands out for its location in France's leading automotive region and the establishment of several gigafactories, such as Verkor and Prologium, reinforcing its status as a key hub in the sector. But the region's attractiveness does not rest solely on these specialist players. Some of the region's long-established industrial players are also playing their part in this transformation, putting their expertise at the service of the development of a more sustainable, low-carbon industry. Batteries Event Dunkerque will offer participants a unique opportunity to immerse themselves in this dynamic ecosystem through conferences, privileged discussions and exclusive visits to emblematic industrial sites.

Among the companies that have already confirmed their participation in the event: Prologium, Verkor, Neomat (XTC-Orano), PSA BDP, Borax Français, ENCHEM, BASF, Critt M2A, Yusen Logistics, Air Liquide, GCA, Exyte, Vinci...



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The program and speakers

The program for this year's Batteries Event Dunkerque promises to be rich and varied. More than 50 speakers, including some of the sector's leading figures, are expected to share their knowledge and visions through conferences and content translated into French and English. Here's an overview of the highlights of the event.

TUESDAY 1ST APRIL

13:00 – 18:00: Site visits (on registration)

ArcelorMittal / Dunkerque-Port: Sustainable metallurgical industry (3h)

ÉcosystèmeD: An industrial and maritime region in transformation (2h30)

Aluminium Dunkerque / Dunkerque-Port: Low-carbon aluminium (3h)

Dunkerque-Port: Development and infrastructure (3 hrs)

ACC & CRITTM2A: Test centre and Gigafactory (4h)

EDF: CNPE - Centre Nucléaire de Production d'Électricité de Gravelines (3h)

18:00: Opening cocktail

WEDNESDAY 2ND APRIL

08:00: Welcome at the Palais des Congrès Dunkirk Kursaal

09:00: Opening plenary session

SPEAKERS:

Patrice Vergriete, Chairman of the Communauté Urbaine, Mayor of Dunkerque, Former Minister

Maurice Georges, Chairman of the Management Board of Dunkerque-Port

Thomas Courbe, Director General, Direction Générale des Entreprises

Christophe Pillot, Director, Avicenne Energy

Philippe Varin, President of the International Chamber of Commerce

Conferences on the developing sector and current and future international issues

12:45: Cocktail lunch in the exhibition area

2.00 pm: Conferences on feedback from key industrial players in the sector, with top speakers including: **Christophe Mille** (Verkor), **Vincent Yang** (ProLogium), **Ayumi Kurose** (AESC), **Sebastian Wolf** (PowerCo), **Richard Bouveret** (Blue Solutions), etc.

7.30 pm – 12.30 am: A networking evening at Frac Grand Large

THURSDAY 3RD APRIL

08:00: Open doors

09.00 – 17.00: Workshops on various themes: Cell / Pack Manufacturing, Materials, Equipment, Construction, Recycling, Safety, Logistics & environment, People and Skills, Research & Development Innovation

12.45pm: Cocktail lunch

16:30: Closing plenary

For more information, please visit the official event website: dunkerque.batteriesevent.com

Registration: dunkerque-batteriesevent2025.site.calypto-event.net

About EcosystemD

ÉcosystèmeD is a key partner in the development, influence and sustainable transformation of the region. Established as a public interest group, ÉcosystèmeD promotes the ecological and energy transition of Dunkirk's industrial and port zone, and assists companies with their plans to set up, innovate or expand in the area. With financial support from the Communauté urbaine de Dunkerque, Dunkerque-Port, the Communauté de Communes des Hauts de Flandre, the CCI Littoral Hauts-de-France and a group of more than 120 companies and partners, ÉcosystèmeD is developing a range of services to encourage sustainable economic development, improve the attractiveness of the Dunkirk area and promote the region as a key player in the industry of the future and decarbonisation.

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About Avicenne Energy

A consultancy specialising in high-growth technology markets. Since 1992, Avicenne Energy has rapidly built up a solid reputation in the field of energy, batteries and energy storage systems. Avicenne Energy works with leading industry players and organises an international event, 'Batteries EVENT'.

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