

# Horizon Europe gEneSys Project

## Final Conference

April 27-28, 2026

Venue: Industrie Fluviali,  
via del Porto Fluviale, 35, 00154, Rome

### Transforming power relations in energy transition: policies, research, citizenship behaviour and education

#### Conference themes

- Energy transition as an ecosystem of societal, environmental, technological and policy drivers and barriers
- Identifying biases and gaps in research and policy at the nexus of gender and energy
- Assessing societal attitudes towards energy transition in the Global North and Global South
- Gender sensitive and credible educational and policy pathways to equitable, fair and just energy transition
- Advancing women in energy transition as researchers, innovators, decision makers
- Making gender equality the driver for energy-related sustainable development

#### Outline Agenda

##### 27 April

13:00 – 13:15 Welcome from the Host and Coordinator

13:15 – 14:00 **Keynote:** Mariëlle Feenstra (75inQ) + Q&A

14:00 – 14:15 **Introduction panel - Energy transition as an ecosystem: gEneSys perspective.** Lucio Pisacane (*Italian National Research Council*) and Elizabeth Pollitzer (*Portia*).

14:15 - 15:15 **Panel 1 - Patterns of marginalisation in energy consumption and citizenship behaviour.** Clemens Striebing (*Fraunhofer - IAO*) and Sabine Loos (*Thüga AG*). Commentary: Nives della Valle (*Institute for European Energy and Climate Policy*) & Lorenzo de Vidovich (*Ricerca Sistema Energetico*).

15:15 – 16:00 Networking and coffee break

16:00 – 17:00 **Panel 2: Gender inequalities in energy research community and scientific publication.** Marco Cellini (*Italian National Research Council*), Antonio de Nicola (*Italian National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development*). Chair: Martina Schraudner (*Fraunhofer – IAO*). Discussant: Gill Allwood (*Nottingham Trent University*).

17:00 – 18:00 **Panel 3: Energy transition for whom? Gender dimensions in the European Union policy and in EU-Africa Cooperation agreement.** Cloe Mirenda (*Italian National Research Council*), Gordon Akon-Yamga (*Science and Technology Policy Research Institute, Ghana*). Chair: Rocio Diaz-Chavez (*Imperial College*); Discussant: Mariëlle Feenstra (*75inQ*).

18:00 – 19:30 Networking and aperitif

## **28 April**

9:00 – 9:30 Welcome coffee, networking

9:30 – 10:30 **Panel 4: Gender-Sensitive Educational and Career Pathways in the Energy Transition Sector**

Aleksandra Wagner (*Jagiellonian University*), Maria Camilla Fraudatario (*Italian National Research Council*), Yara Evans (*Imperial College*), Chair: Lucio Pisacane (*Italian National Research Council*). Discussant: Aurore Dudka (*University of Trento*), and Joanna Furmaga (*Polish Green Network*)

10:30-11:00 **Panel 5: Toward an interdisciplinary pedagogy to read inequalities in the energy transition: the experience of the gEneSys autumn school**

Ilda Mannino (*Venice International University*) TBC, Giada Coleandro (*Bolzano University*). Chair: Cloe Mirenda (*Italian National Research Council*)

11:00 – 12:00 **Panel 6: Pathways and scenarios based on pathways assessed with stakeholders and just energy transition views.** Rocio Diaz-Chavez (*Imperial*), Chair: Paulina Sekula (*Jagiellonian University*). Discussants: Tiziana Pirelli (*FAO/GBEP*), Bettina Muller (*BTS*), Roxani Roushas (*UNDP*).

12:00 – 12:20 **The EU perspective for a Just transition.** Catherine Furzer, EU Commission - DG Employment

12:20 – 13:00 Closing remarks.

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