

# Emilio Braghi re-elected as Chair of European Aluminium

**Brussels, 30 October 2020 – Yesterday, European Aluminium’s members have re-elected Emilio Braghi, President Novelis Europe, as Chair of their association at a virtual General Assembly. European Aluminium also welcomed two new members this year, taking the association’s total membership to over 85 members representing 600 plants in 30 European countries.**

*“I am grateful to my colleagues for their confidence during this critical time for our industry. I aspire to be a strong ambassador for the entire value chain and help secure adequate support measures for our industry to recover from the corona crisis and set the right conditions for fostering the production of sustainable aluminium in Europe,”* says Braghi. *“I’m especially looking forward to the mid-term review of our industry’s sustainability roadmap to assess progress made and redefine our ambitions in the light of the Green Deal,”* Braghi concludes.

European Aluminium also elected Philip Schlüter, CEO of TRIMET, as its new Vice-Chair. Ingrid Jörg, President of Constellium’s Aerospace and Transportation business, Arnaud de Weert, CEO at ALVANCE Aluminium Group, and Gerald Mayer, CEO of AMAG Austria Metall AG, are new to the 12 member Executive Committee of European Aluminium.

During the General Assembly, European Aluminium also introduced two new companies. [Grupo Baux](#), a manufacturer of aluminium flat-rolled products based in Spain and [Aughinish Alumina](#), Europe’s largest alumina refinery based in Ireland.

*“We are delighted to welcome our new Executive Committee members and two new companies, bringing a wealth of expertise to the table. European Aluminium has never been stronger and more representative of the value chain than it is today, allowing us to speak with one voice and enhancing our leadership on a range of issues that matter most to our industry,”* says Gerd Götz, Director General of European Aluminium. *“We will continue addressing the need for stronger trade defence to tackle subsidised Chinese overcapacity and for adequate compensation to protect aluminium producers from carbon leakage whilst greening our economy.”*

## About European Aluminium:

European Aluminium, founded in 1981 and based in Brussels, is the voice of the aluminium industry in Europe. We actively engage with decision makers and the wider stakeholder community to promote the outstanding properties of aluminium, secure growth and optimise the contribution our metal can make to meeting Europe’s sustainability challenges. Through environmental and technical expertise, economic and statistical analysis, scientific research, education and sharing of best practices, public affairs and communication activities, European Aluminium promotes the use of aluminium as a material with permanent properties that is part of the solution to achieving sustainable goals, while maintaining and improving the image of the industry, of the material and of its applications among their stakeholders. Our 80+ members include primary aluminium producers; downstream manufacturers of extruded, rolled and cast aluminium; producers of recycled aluminium and national aluminium associations are representing more than 600 plants in 30 European countries. Aluminium products are used in a wide range of markets, including automotive, transport, high-tech engineering, building, construction and packaging.

## Note to editors:

The full Executive Committee for 2021-2022 includes:

- Emilio Braghi (Novelis) - Chair
- Philipp Schlüter (TRIMET) – Vice Chair
- Paul Warton – (Hydro, Treasurer (*February 2021*))
- Constantin Catsaros (Elval)
- Arnaud de Weert (ALVANCE Aluminium Group)
- Ingrid Jörg (Constellium)
- Gerald Mayer (AMAG Austria Metall AG)
- Roberta Niboli (Raffmetal)
- Simon Pelletier (Rio Tinto, Aluminium)
- John Slaven (Alcoa)
- Roman Stiftner (National Aluminium Associations Network)
- Rob van Gils (HAI)

A complete list of our members can be found on our [website](#).

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