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WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Members, Partners and Friends of FESI,

Europe is navigating a period of profound uncertainty. The recent decision by parts of the European Union to scale back elements of the Green Deal has created mixed signals for our industry at a time when clarity and long-term direction are urgently needed. At the same time, the sharp rise in energy prices—exacerbated by the conflict involving Iran—has placed

additional pressure on companies, households and national economies across the continent.

Our sector is deeply affected by these developments. A rapidly expanding regulatory landscape has left many businesses hesitant to invest, unsure of which rules will remain stable and which may shift again. This hesitation slows down innovation, delays modernization and weakens Europe's competitiveness at a moment when we should be accelerating our efforts.

In such an environment, one truth becomes clearer than ever: **we can only succeed together.** As the European Federation of Associations of Insulation Contractors, FESI stands as a strong, united voice for our industry. Our role is to bring clarity where uncertainty grows, to advocate for stable and future - oriented,

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policies, and to ensure that the value of technical insulation—its contribution to energy efficiency, climate protection and industrial resilience—is fully recognized at the European level.

Across Europe, everyone speaks about the shortage of skilled workers. At FESI, we do more than talk about it. Our member associations and companies are actively developing training pathways, strengthening professional standards and promoting the attractiveness of our trade. We are committed to ensuring that the next generation of specialists sees technical insulation not only as a job, but as a meaningful and future-proof profession.

Despite the challenges, I remain confident. Our industry has always shown resilience, adaptability and a strong sense of purpose. With unity, determination and a clear European perspective, we will continue to shape a sustainable, energy-efficient and competitive future for our sector.

Thank you for your trust, your engagement and your continued commitment to FESI.

Sincerely,

Thomas-Peter Wilk

President, FESI

Shaping the Future:

Technical Insulation Championship 2025 in Roskilde

In October 2025, Roskilde, Denmark became the meeting point for Europe's next generation of talent in technical insulation. Held under the auspices of FESI, the young insulators once again proved that the future of our industry is in strong hands.

This event is not just about competition – it's about growth, opportunity, and real-world experience. Young professionals from across Europe stepped up to showcase their skills in demanding, hands-on tasks, working with materials, systems, and standards that reflect the realities of today's industrial environment.

Beyond the competition floor, Roskilde offered something equally valuable: connection. With strong engagement from sponsors and industry partners, the championship created a vibrant space for networking, knowledge exchange, and discovering the latest innovations shaping the insulation sector.

We are especially encouraged by the growing commitment of sponsors, whose increasing presence year after year sends a clear message – investing in young talent and skills development truly matters.

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Their support not only strengthens the event but also helps build a more resilient and future-ready industry.

As Europe continues its journey toward greater energy efficiency and industrial transformation, the importance of skilled insulation professionals has never been clearer. Initiatives like this championship are key to developing the talent that will drive this change.

One thing is certain: the energy, precision, and dedication seen in Roskilde leave no doubt – the next generation is ready.



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The Teams



Germany 

Poland 

Ireland 

Norway 

Netherlands 

Switzerland 

France 

Denmark 

The best insulators from all over Europe together after the competition

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Jury Members

- Birger Susort
- Ernst Schöpfbeck
- Walter Riering
- Preben Kristensen
- Michael Kelly Snr
- Martin Witter
- Karlheinz Kermann



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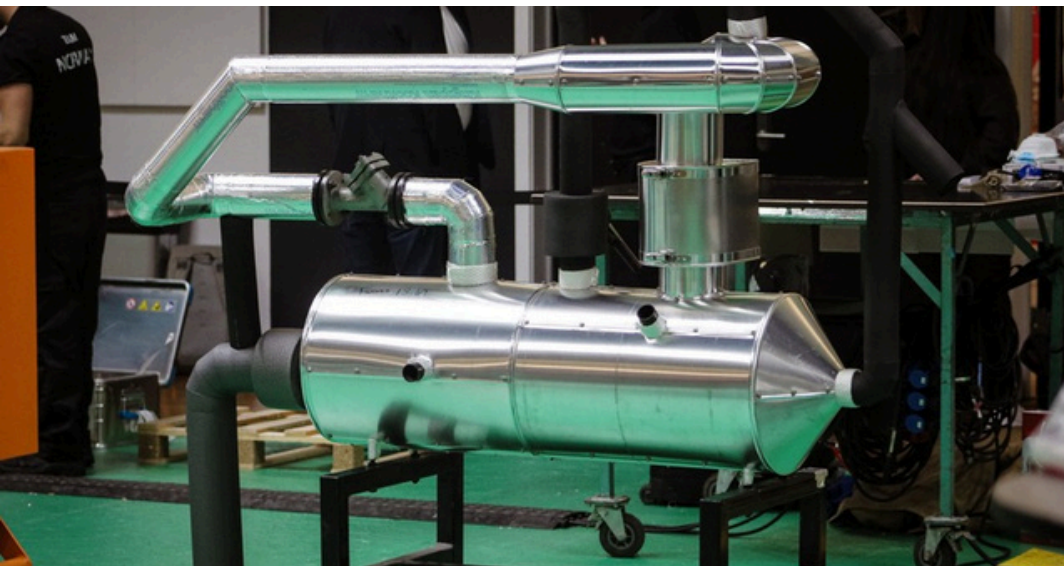
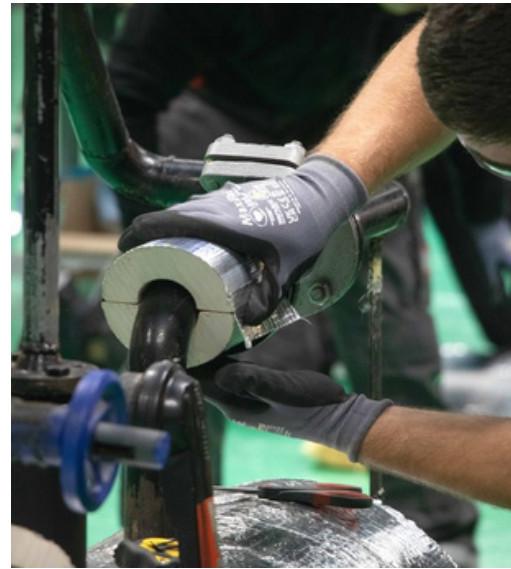
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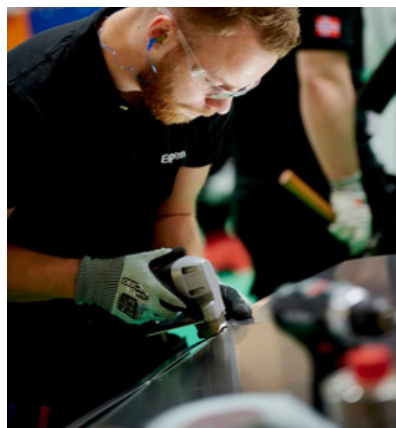
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Gala Dinner



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Announcement of the
Championship results



Award Ceremony

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Winners

1st place



GERMANY (ZBZ)

Julian Brükner

Jaqueline Baden



2nd place

POLAND



Marcin Klich

Kamil Dynarowicz



3rd place

GERMANY (HDB)



Fabius Schenzielorz

Franz Günzel



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THANK YOU SPONSORS!

Once again, we would like to thank all our sponsors for their support of the Insulation Championship 2025.

Without the support of our sponsors, we would not have been able to organise this event.

The Championship was a great organisational and image success.



INDUSTRY SKILLS CENTER



FFESI participated in the opening ceremony of the Industrial Insulation Competence Center in Poland, marking an important milestone for the development of industry-focused education and skills.

The organization actively supported the initiative throughout its development, contributing to the promotion of high standards in training and the advancement of energy efficiency through insulation. Representatives and members of both FESI and EiiF were present at the official opening event, highlighting the strong engagement of European industry organizations in this initiative.

The newly established Competence Center is now part of the Polish education system and is designed to provide comprehensive, industry-specific training for future professionals in the field of industrial insulation.

This initiative represents an important step toward strengthening cooperation between industry and education. It is expected to become a dynamic platform for knowledge exchange, skills development, and collaboration, supporting the next generation of specialists and contributing to a more sustainable future across Europe.



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ISOLTEX 2026 - WARSAW EXPO

Report from ISOLTEX 2026 – FESI at the premiere edition of the insulation industry event.

On February 24–26, 2026, the premiere edition of ISOLTEX 2026 took place at Ptak Warsaw Expo – a new, specialized event dedicated to insulation technologies for industry and construction. The trade fair brought together manufacturers, distributors, designers, and contractors operating in the field of thermal, acoustic, fire protection, and moisture insulation. According to official information from the organizer, ISOLTEX is a B2B event created in response to growing demands for energy efficiency, installation safety, and infrastructure durability.

FESI presence at ISOLTEX 2026

The FESI Association had a strong representation during this year’s edition of the trade fair. Among the participants were members of the organization: PSWIP and CSZ, Schwartmanns, MABI, TACKE + LINDEMANN, Thermaflex, Goebel.

The presence of such a wide group of FESI-affiliated companies highlighted the association’s importance as an active partner in the development and integration of the European insulation industry.



A space for knowledge and technology

ISOLTEX 2026 showcased a full spectrum of solutions used in both new and modernized industrial and construction facilities. The focus was on technologies addressing current market challenges — rising energy prices, environmental requirements, and the need to improve energy efficiency. During the event, manufacturers presented, among others:

- thermal and acoustic insulation systems,
- technologies resistant to high temperatures and chemical factors,
- solutions improving process safety and installation durability,
- tools supporting audits, design, and monitoring of insulation parameters.

As emphasized in official industry publications, modern insulation is becoming not only a structural component but also a strategic tool for reducing operational costs and environmental impact.



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Significance of the Event for the Industry and FESI Members

For companies associated with FESI, participation in ISOLTEX 2026 was an excellent opportunity to:

- meet with partners and clients from across Europe,
- explore trends and technological innovations,
- exchange experiences with market leaders,
- build relationships in the rapidly growing insulation sector.

Summary

The first edition of ISOLTEX 2026 demonstrated that the technical insulation market is growing rapidly and requires specialized platforms for knowledge exchange and the presentation of innovations. The participation of FESI members – including BCU, Schwartmanns, MABI, and TACKE+LINDEMANN – confirms the association's commitment to the development of the industry and to creating a space for collaboration among companies.

The event proved to be not only a venue for showcasing the latest technologies, but also a forum that brings together practitioners, investors, and manufacturers who are jointly shaping the future of the European insulation market.



WHAT'S NEXT?

FESI Meeting in Norway

Looking ahead, the upcoming FESI General Assembly in Norway will bring together industry representatives to discuss key priorities for the sector.

The agenda covers a wide range of important topics, including updates on certification and qualification systems, planned changes to championship procedures, and future directions for industry standards in cooperation with CEN. Financial planning, including the FESI budget for 2026, as well as preparations for the 2027 championship, will also be addressed.

Particular attention will be given to innovation and new technologies. Among the highlights is a presentation of WavelMat Technologies, focusing on advanced solutions designed to improve insulation performance, as well as discussions on moisture measurement in insulation systems and fire protection solutions.

The meeting will also include updates from EiiF activities and marketing initiatives, reinforcing the importance of communication and collaboration across the sector.

Overall, the event will provide a valuable platform for knowledge exchange, strategic discussions, and strengthening cooperation within the European insulation community.

