5th ACT Knowledge Sharing Workshop, June 9 & 10, 2022, Rotterdam, the Netherlands

On 8, 9 & 10 June 2022, CATO, the Norwegian Embassy in The Hague, the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy of the Netherlands and ERANET-ACT jointly organized a two-day CCUS conference and a site excursion, in which the development, challenges and opportunities for CCUS in Europe's fight against climate change were discussed.

Wednesday 8 June 2022

The focus was on national and European policies on CCUS, development and opportunities of full-scale CCS projects and public opinions on CCUS with participation from governments, companies, researchers and NGOs. The Norwegian and Dutch Secretaries of State gave keynote speeches. Ragnhild Rønneberg, the co-ordinator of the ACT programme, presented the ACT's knowledge gained, co-operating project activities and the way forward on Clean Energy Transition Partnership (CETP).

Thursday 9 June 2022

Ragnhild Rønneberg opened the ACT Knowledge Sharing Workshop and welcomed all participants of all projects and stakeholders. A keynote speech was delivered by Vassillios Kougionas, policy officer from the European Commission. Dr. Kougionas gave an update of EU's activities planned for R&D, focusing on the upcoming CETP and EU Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR).

The day was dedicated on the transnational R&D ACT projects, with participants from research and development institutes as well as the private sector. The ACT projects have attracted the participation of industries and leading research Institutes / Universities from Europe, North America and India. The projects of the 2nd Call of ACT are near completion and have shared their preliminary final results. The projects of the 3rd Call of ACT have recently started and have shared their plans and first results. The programme was organized in thematic sessions, where projects with a similar scope were brought together. It was an intensive day, as all 25 ACT projects presented their work. In addition, attendants had ample room to discuss projects outside the presentation room. The day was closed by a dinner on invitation.

Friday 10 June 2022 (for ACT members only)

Co-organised with TNO, 2-way site visits took place. One group visited TNO Capture Facilities Lab at Delft, while another visited TNO's Storage Lab and the Rijswijk Centre for Sustainable Geo-Energy. Closing of the day for both groups was held at Rijswijk, where a presentation from ECCSEL was given by Sverre Quale. The ACT Knowledge Sharing Workshop was closed by a "goodbye" lunch.