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Candidate for Election to Solar Heat Europe Board of Directors, November 2018.  
Category National Association.



Ir. M.A.J. (Marcel) Cloosterman  
Nationality: Dutch

**Current Position:**

Director/owner of Rivusol B.V. and "Ik ben Ra".  
Board member of Holland Solar responsible for Solar Thermal.

**Professional career and background**

Finished his study at Delft University in 1981 with a MSc in Mechanical Engineering and started his carrier with Unilever and held several senior management and directors positions in the Netherlands, England and Ireland. After 16 years with Unilever he became managing director of the Dutch subsidiary of the international starch company Amylum (today Tate&Lyle). In 2001 joint one of the largest Dutch Utility companies, Eneco as director at the start of the liberalization of the energy market in the Netherlands. It was at this stage in his carrier he came into contact with Solar thermal Energy and grew the solar thermal business within Eneco in 3 years with a new project portfolio of €15 million.

In 2010 started his own business in solar thermal with "Ik ben Ra" (I am Ra). At the end of 2015 "Ik ben Ra" acquired the shares of Rivusol B.V., which is active in the Solar thermal market in the Netherlands, Belgium and part of Germany.

Participated in Holland Solar in 2010 and joined the board of Holland Solar in 2013.





#### Qualifications for the SHE board

- I am absolutely convinced that Solar Thermal Energy can play a major role in Europe's energy transition towards a society with sustainable energy only.
- Since 2003, I am involved in the Solar thermal business
- In Holland Solar recently (16-11-2018) launched a position paper "Solar Thermal: in the heart of the energy transition" in cooperation with consulting company Berenschot. I am also involved in providing input in the development of the government's energy transition plans and in the evaluation of the grant schemes in the Netherlands.

