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Program Background on RTL Radio

The Luxembourg “national” radio station RTL had today a program on climate change. The main interviewee was Dr. Laurent Pfister, a researcher from the [EVA](#) department of the “Centre de Recherche Public Gabriel Lippmann” ([CRPGL](#)), a major public research institute of Luxembourg.

The CRPGL-EVA has an important group of about 25 people researching hydrology and having added climate change to their agenda during the last years. They built some important models showing the regions of Luxembourg most susceptible to flooding. Concerning climate change, the CRPGL is in the same situation as other public funded research institutes of the environmental d

no alarm, no funding! Concerning this important political pres appreciate that Dr. Pfister, who absolutely is not a AGW skeptic, remains nevertheless very cautious and polite, somehow in the line of Dr. [Judith Curry](#). He acknowledges model uncertainties, deplores the gaffes in AR4 and understands the problem of over-hyping renewables. I disagree on several points he stretched in the interview, like that an average of multiple climate models which diverge heavily is meaningful in any way. He also neglected that reliable observations and models sing different songs, as clearly demonstrated in the latest testimonies of [Richard Lindzen](#) and [Pat Michaels](#). But he publicly welcomes skepticism and diversity of opinions, which is a courageous and intelligent position.

During the interview I was asked by phone to give a very short comment on-line. You may find it at time-stamp 23:36 of the “[Background](#)” program. Be aware: the spoken language is “Luxembourgish”, so international readers may have some problems in understanding this language used by less than 500000 people.

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