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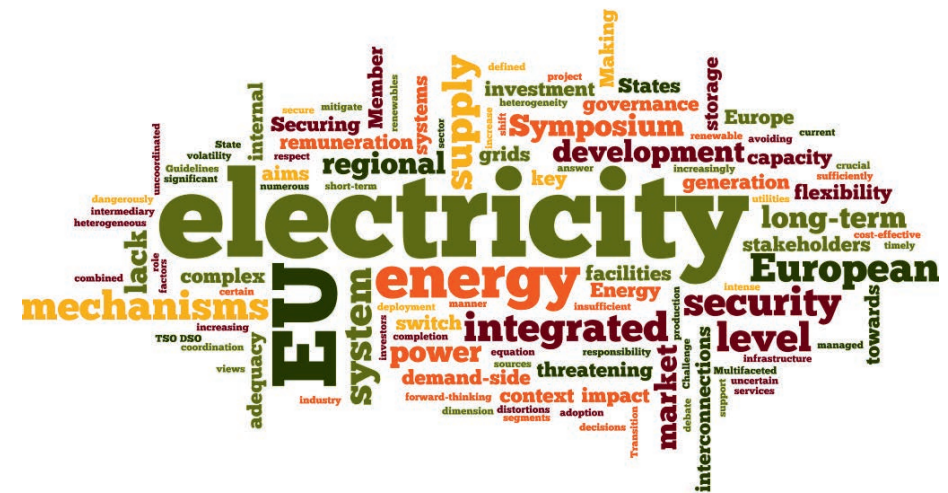
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1st Symposium: Securing Europe's electricity supply – Making the switch towards an integrated and long-term approach

5 May 2015, 9:00 to 13:00, Press Club Brussels Europe, Rue Froissart 95, 1040 Brussels



Background

In light of the fast-changing European energy context, 2015 is a year of important decisions for EU energy policy. Therefore, Egmont – Royal Institute for International Relations and the Development Group are convening a series of three EU Energy Symposia followed by a High Level Conference in order to pursue their project on the “Energy Transition: A Multifaceted Challenge for Europe” initiated three years ago. The 2015 events address issues that are at the core of the development of a resilient Energy Union with a forward-looking Climate Change Policy as advocated in President Juncker's political guidelines for the new Commission.

1st Symposium: Securing Europe's electricity supply – Making the switch towards an integrated and long-term approach (5 May 2015)

2nd Symposium: Securing gas supply in the EU – What actions should be taken internally and externally? (23 June 2015)

3rd Symposium: Restoring the credibility of the EU Emissions Trading Scheme (8 September 2015)

High Level Energy Conference: The EU energy and climate strategy: a model to promote at the 2015 global climate conference in Paris? (9 November 2015)

This forward-thinking project aims to foster an intense debate at EU level by bringing together the **views of EU decision-makers with those of industry and other energy stakeholders** active in Europe.

Egmont and the Development Group aim at setting an intense debate at EU level bringing together the views of the industry and other energy stakeholders from Brussels and beyond with those of EU decision makers.

Programme

Energy stakeholders and EU Member States are increasingly concerned over the mid- to long-term security of the electricity system. The factors threatening the system are numerous and heterogeneous combined with a complex and uncertain global and regional energy context. The main answer to this complex equation so far has been the adoption of national capacity remuneration mechanisms and national ancillary services in order to maintain the electricity systems balanced. Consequently, the security of electricity supply is currently more driven by national policies than by an integrated and cost effective European approach. In this context, it is crucial to discuss how to overcome the current fragmented and short-term approach with respect to security of electricity supply and to what extent a shift of governance from the national level to the regional and European level is necessary.

09:00 – 09:15

Welcome address

Claudia HERING, Head of Public Affairs, Development Group
Clémentine d'OULTREMONT, Research Fellow, Egmont Institute

09:15 – 09:30

Keynote address: Is there a need for an adjustment of Europe's electricity market design?

Dr. Florian ERMACORA, Head of Unit Internal Energy Market II: Wholesale markets; electricity & gas, DG Energy, European Commission

09:30 – 11:00

Session 1: What are the main barriers to the completion of the EU internal electricity market?

- Michel MATHEU, Head of EU Strategy in the Public Affairs Division, Electricité de France (EDF)
- Olivier FEIX, Head of Communications & Public Affairs, Elia Group and Vice-Chairman of the Board of the Renewables Grid Initiative
- Wolfram VOGEL, Director Public Affairs & Communications, European Power Exchange - EPEX SPOT SE

Discussant: Jonathan GAVENTA, Associate Director, E3G

Moderator: Viscount Etienne DAVIGNON, President, Egmont Institute

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00

Session 2: What are the next steps towards an integrated and long-term electricity market?

- Holger GASSNER, Head of Strategy & Regulatory Affairs, RWE Innogy
- Harry VERHAAR, Head of Global Public & Government Affairs, Philips Lighting
- John SINNER, Senior Energy Economist, European Investment Bank

Discussant: Stephen WOODHOUSE, Director and Head of Market Design Group, Pöyry Management Consulting

Moderator: Clémentine d'OULTREMONT, Research Fellow, Egmont Institute

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch