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Energy Transition: A multifaceted Challenge for Europe
2nd Symposium: The external dimension of the
EU energy policy in transition

16th April 2013, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
CCE - Conseil Central de l'Économie, 20, Avenue d'Auderghem, B-1040 Brussels



Background

In a partnership, **Egmont Royal Institute for International Relations** and the **Development Group** are organising a series of Symposiums and an International High Level Conference that will be held in Brussels in the course of 2013.

The intense discussions during the different events organised in 2012 (Expert Seminars and Conference) showed that many questions related to the European Energy Transition require further in-depth debates and analysis. Therefore, the upcoming events will focus on the multifaceted challenge of the European Energy Transition towards a low carbon economy, addressing the following key issues related to the transition:

1st Symposium: The completion of the energy internal market by 2014: feasible or illusory? (21st Feb. 2013)

2nd Symposium: The external dimension of the EU energy policy in transition? (16th April 2013)

High level international conference: Beyond the 2020 horizon: Moving towards a common EU energy policy (June 2013)

3rd Symposium: How to finance the transition towards a low-carbon economy and the required energy infrastructures? (Oct. 2013)

4th Symposium: How to foster innovation in a fast changing energy landscape? (Dec. 2013)

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

09.00-09.15 Welcome address
Egmont Institute / Development Group

09.15-09.30 Keynote address: The external dimension of the EU energy policy
Paula ABREU MARQUES, Head of Unit International relations & Enlargement, DG ENER, European Commission

09.30-11.00 Session 1: The role of gas in the external dimension of the EU energy policy

- *The role of gas in the EU energy policy: the need for a strategic approach*
François-Régis MOUTON, Chairman of GasNaturally & European Affairs, TOTAL
- *The key role of private companies in securing gas supply to EU*
Thomas GEISEL, Senior Vice President Gas Supply Continental, E.ON Ruhrgas
- *The potential role of shale gas - an EU approach?*
Nikolaas BAECKELMANS, Director EU Affairs, ExxonMobil

Discussant:

Simon BLAKEY, Special Envoy of EUROGAS

Moderator:

Sami ANDOURA, Senior Research Fellow, EGMONT Institute & Notre Europe - Jacques Delors Institute

11.00-11.15 Coffee break

11.15-12.45 Session 2: The diversification strategy of the EU and its external partners

- *The new face of EU-Russia energy relations*
Didier LEBOUT, Strategy & Development Director, Gazprom Marketing & Trading France
- *Southern Corridor: a strategic project of European Interest*
Michael HOFFMANN, External Affairs Director, Trans Adriatic Pipeline (TAP)
- *Supporting the EU's diversification strategy through development of gas infrastructure*
Wim GROENENDIJK, Vice President International & Regulatory Affairs, Gasunie

Discussant:

Michael KOEHLER, Director DEVCO F "Neighbourhood", DG Development and Cooperation EuropeAid, European Commission

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12.45-01.00 Concluding address: Protection of Critical Infrastructure in the Energy Sector: Upcoming Challenges of the European Cyber Security Strategy
Thomas KOEHLER, CEO, Cassidian CyberSecurity GmbH

01.00-02.00 Lunch