

Background

In a partnership, Egmont - Royal Institute for International Relations and the Development Group are going to organise a series of Symposiums and an International High Level Conference that will take place in Brussels in 2013.

The intense discussions during the different events organised in 2012 (Expert Seminars and Conference) showed that many questions related to the EU 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 key issues related to the European energy governance, and in particular EU energy markets, finance and investments, international relations, and innovation strategies.

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

2nd Symposium: What external dimension for the EU energy transition - Which role for fossil fuels? (16th April 2013)

International High Level Conference: What are the next steps in moving towards a common European energy policy by 2030? (June 2013)

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

4th Symposium: How to foster innovation in a fast changing energy landscape? (Nov. 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: Making the internal energy market work: getting the most out of it
Inge BERNAERTS, Head of Unit Internal Market II: Wholesale Markets; Electricity and Gas, DG Energy, European Commission

09.30-09.45 Keynote address: Making the internal energy market work: towards a European Energy Community
Jerzy BUZEK, MEP & former President of the European Parliament, rapporteur for the European Parliament on "Making the Internal Energy Market Work"

09.45-11.15 Session 1: What are the achievements and the remaining obstacles to the completion of the EU internal energy market?

Speakers:

Holger GASSNER, Head of Markets and Political Affairs / CR, RWE Innogy GmbH
Ivo HLAVÁČ, Director of Public Affairs Division, ČEZ Group
Walter PEERAER, Managing Director, Fluxys SA

Discussant:

Gunnar LUNDBERG, Chairman of the Markets Committee, Eurelectric

Moderator:

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

11.15-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-01.00 Session 2: What are the solutions to bring to the completion of the EU internal energy market?

Speakers:

Daniel DOBBENI, President, ENTSO-E
Dr Jayesh PARMAR, Partner, Baringa Partners
Fernand FELZINGER, President, IFIEC Europe -International Federation of Industrial Energy Consumers

Discussant:

Jacques DE JONG, Senior Fellow, Clingendael International Energy Programme

Moderator:

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

01.00-01.15 Concluding address: Cyber security aspects: risks and threats to an integrated energy market
Thomas KOEHLER, CEO, Cassidian CyberSecurity GmbH

01.15-02.00 Lunch