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Building a European energy infrastructure – selecting and implementing projects of common interest

Organised by Policy Department A

Wednesday, 21 March 2012, 14:30 – 17:30h

Venue: European Parliament, Brussels, Altiero Spinelli building, ASP3E2

Workshop Programme

14:30 Welcome and opening by Chair: António Fernando Correia de Campos, MEP

14:35 Session 1 - Selection of ‘projects of common interest’

14:35 Mr. Adriaan van der Welle, Scientific Researcher at Energy Research Centre of the Netherlands (ECN)

Selection procedures at regional and European level

14:50 Mr. Gianluigi Migliavacca, Coordinator of the European project “REALISEGRID”, Head of Transmission Network Planning Research Group at Ricerca sul Sistema Energetico (RSE)

Selection criteria and cost-benefit analysis

15:05 Question & answer session

15:35 Panel discussion

15:50 Session 2 – Implementation and monitoring of ‘projects of common interest’

15:50 Mr. Péter Kaderják, Director of the Central and South-Eastern European Regional Centre for Energy Policy Research, REKK

Roles of the different actors

16:05 Mr. Tomasz Siewierski, Senior Lecturer at Technical University of Lodz
Fall-back procedures / Role of the European coordinators

16.20 Mr. Jorge Vasconcelos, Invited Professor MIT-Programme at Instituto Superior Técnico Lisbon

Implementation and beyond

16:35 Question & answer session

17:10 Panel discussion

17:25 Closing remarks by Chair

17:30 End of the workshop

Speakers' Biographies

Adriaan van der Welle works as a scientific researcher at the Energy Research Centre of the Netherlands (ECN) since 2006. He holds an MSc in Economics from the Free University of Amsterdam and specialises in the integration of renewable generation in electricity markets and grids, network regulation, energy markets design and security of supply. He has contributed to many European and national research projects about these topics. He is (co-)author of papers and book chapters about distributed generation (INTECH, Energy policy) and security of supply (FEEM, IEA).

Gianluigi Migliavacca graduated in Electronic Engineering at the Polytechnic University of Milan in 1991 and joined the Automation Research Center of ENEL in 1994. In 2000, he joined CESI and then CESI Ricerca (now: RSE), where he is head of the Transmission Network Planning research group. He carries out research on mathematical modelling and regulatory issues concerning deregulated electricity markets, cross-border trade issues and transmission planning. During 2005, he was consultant at the Italian Regulator on the development of a common energy market in South-East Europe and congestion management in Central-South Europe. He coordinated the FP7 research project REALISEGRID (2008-2011), which dealt with transmission networks planning issues.

Péter Kaderják is Director of the Regional Centre for Energy Policy Research at the Corvinus University, Budapest. He received his MSc in economics from the Budapest University of Economic Sciences in 1987 and started to work on the liberalisation of the electricity and gas sectors in Hungary in 1998 when he was appointed Chief of Cabinet of the Minister of Economic Affairs. In January 2000, he became President of the Hungarian energy regulator. From 2000 to 2004, he also served as the Chairman of the Energy Regulators Regional Association (ERRA). Since 2004, he has been serving as Training Director for ERRA's in-house energy regulatory trainings. He is also directing a postgraduate program in Energy Economics at Corvinus University since 2010. He is research partner in the "European Energy Institute" at the University of Leuven and a regular lecturer at the Florence School of Regulation. In 2011, he was appointed alternate member of ACER's (Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators) Board of Appeal.

Tomasz Siewierski received his M.Sc. in Electrical Engineering from the Technical University of Lodz where he also started his academic career. In 1996, after three years of research on the transient stability of large transmission networks conducted at the University of Pavia and the University of Genoa, Italy, he defended his Ph.D. dissertation at the University of Pavia. From March 2001 to September 2003, he worked as a Research Fellow at the Strathclyde University in Glasgow, doing post-doc research in the area of electricity market analysis, modelling and simulation. In 2004, he became Senior Lecturer at his parent university. Presently, his research deals with modern power system analysis, power system economics (electricity market), grid issues concerning renewables and distributed generation integration, and development of the concept of smart grids.

Jorge Vasconcelos is Chairman of NEWES, New Energy Solutions, a company acting in the field of renewable energy in Europe and Consultant to several international organizations (European Commission, World Bank) and national authorities. He graduated in power systems from Porto University, Portugal and got the Dr.-Ing. (Ph.D. in engineering) degree from the University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany. He is Member of the Advisory Board of the Harvard Environmental Economics Program, Invited Professor at the Technical University of Lisbon (MIT-Portugal Programme), Member of the Administrative Board of ACER (Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators) and Special Advisor to EU Commissioner Andris Piebalgs. Mr. Vasconcelos was the first chairman of the Portuguese Energy Regulatory Authority and co-founder and first chairman of the Council of European Energy Regulators. Equally, he was the first chairman of the European Regulators' Group for Electricity and Gas. He is also founder and member of the Executive Committee of the Florence School of Regulation. He is member of several national and international advisory committees on energy matters, including scientific organizations, the World Energy Council, the World Forum on Energy Regulation, the City of Lisbon Energy Agency, etc.