Joint meeting of ECDSO-E and ECDSO-G Collocated with USAID SEE DSO WG



Joint Coordination Meeting

Seventh meeting of ECDSO-E and Second meeting of ECDSO-G

Time: 17-18 October 2016

Day 1: EC DSO-E and EC DSO-G coordination meeting

Registration 17 October 2016, 12:30 -13:00

Location: Energy Community Secretariat, Am Hof 4, Level 5, 1010 Vienna,

1. Unbundling update

13:00 -14:30

- Compliance programs realization and monitoring
- Separation, distance keeping, sharing services
- Metering, data management, billing, disconnections protocols
- Bad debt management, allocation issues
- Regulatory assessment

<u>Explanatory note</u>: Update of the current status and experience sharing on practicalities. The objective is to understand reasons and effects of different approaches to unbundling.

Coffee Break 14:300 -15:00

2. Tariffs 15:00-16:30

- Tariff design: Connection costs and costs of use of network
- Tariff deficit sustainability of network operation,
- Tariff adjustments and reconciliation between periods
- Status of grid elements of unclear ownership

<u>Explanatory note:</u> To present applicable practices of tariff setting in the Energy Community with information for benchmarking, discuss DSOs preferences and wrap up the possible effects of new market setup, required investments and unbundling on the costs and tariffs of DSOs

3. Role of DSO in a competitive market

16:30-17:00

Market design, TSO – DSO interface and cooperation, data exchange

Explanatory note: The experts will present the role of DSO in an open and competitive retail market, and the tasks imposed on DSO and TSO in different markets designed in the CPs.

Gas DSOs have an opportunity to participate at the joint workshop on 19 October 2016 in the ECS, dedicated to transparency requirements and ENTSOG transparency platform, interoperability and gas quality.

Conclusion of the First day

17:00

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Day 2: EC DSOs collocated meeting with the USAID / USEA SEE DSO Working Group

Location: Hotel Mariott, Parkring 12, Vienna Austria

1. Welcoming Remarks, Introductions, Overview of the meeting 8:45

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2. Investment needs in the new environment

9:00 -11:00

- Quality of supply: standard requirements, challenges and limitations
- Integration of RES and challenges of distributed generation, legal and contractual requirements for DSO, biogas access to the network,
- Connection procedure and standards, related costs and costs allocation,
- Development in storage technique and probable impact on DSO's
- Gas quality, equipment standards
- Regulatory aspects (regulatory certainty, incentives, guidelines)
- Open discussion

<u>Explanatory note</u>: This agenda item will focus on technical requirements imposed on DSO and corresponding incentives for an operator to comply; terms and conditions for access of distributed generation to the network, as well as for biogas, deployment of electrical vehicles charging points, development in storage technology, issues related to gas quality and equipment standards. The objective is to exchange views on the technological developments relevant for DSO operation and sharing best practice and lesson learnt.

Coffee Break 11:00-11:30

ECDSO-E Continuing with

SEE DSO Security of Supply Working Group Meeting

11:30-17:30

Meeting Objectives:

- To welcome and introduce the Montenegrin DSO CEGIS as a new member of the Working Group
- To review the responses to the Data Questionnaire for the 2nd Phase of the Benchmarking Study
- To present and adopt a Terms of Reference for a new Study on DSO Network Efficiency / Loss Reduction Strategies
- Future Working Group Activities

(Detailed agenda prepared by USAID - USEA)

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