

WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2006 – 2007

A. Tasks related to Institutions under the Energy Community Treaty

B. Tasks related to Energy Policy Issues

EXPLANATORY NOTES:

The task list is mainly derived from the Energy Community Treaty and the Grant contract between the European Commission and BMWA and does not cover operational tasks of the Secretariat (provisions of technical assistance to the Parties, Donors, Institutions under the Treaty etc) which have an overall and permanent validity.

The time frame information indicates day/month/year or month/year.

A. ON INSTITUTIONS

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No.	TASK	REASONING	OVERALL DEADLINE	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE INSTITUTION	REMARKS
1.	MINISTERIAL COUNCIL – draft Internal Rules of Procedure	Article 49 of ECT	17.11.2006	MC to adopt by 17.11.2006	ECS EC MC	ECS prepared draft rules and sent these to the EC for comments on 04.08.2006
2.	PHLG – Preparation of Internal Rules of Procedure	Article 55 of ECT	16.11.2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to finalize by 10.11.2006 PHLG to adopt by 16.11.2006 	ECS EC ECS PHLG	ECS drafted the proposal and sent it to the EC for comments on 04.08.2006
3.	ECRB – members and president	Article 59 of ECT Article 61 of ECT	tbd	National regulators and European Commission to nominate their representatives by date tbd	National regulators ECS EC	EC lead; ECS drafted a proposal on delegation of competences by the Ministerial Council
4.	ECRB – adoption of Internal rules of procedure	Article 60 of ECT	tbd	At the first meeting of the ECRB on 23.10.2006, Athens	ECRB ECS to support administratively	
5.	THE FORA	Article 63-66 of ECT		MC to adopt Procedural Act to define the venue for the Gas Forum (ECS to make a proposal on the ground of Article 82 of the ECT)	MC ECS under EC guidance	

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6.	ENERGY COMMUNITY SECRETARIAT: Transform from interim Secretariat into an international organization	Articles 67-72 of ECT	30.06.2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalisation of the Headquarter Agreement (HQ) (PoA for signing on behalf of Energy Community) • PHLG to propose the HQ and MC to adopt it • ECS to prepare drafts of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Procedural Act for the appointment of the Director b) Procedural Act for the recruitment, working conditions and geographic equilibrium of the Secretariat's staff • MC to adopt these on 17.11.2006 • ECS to implement them by 30.06.2007 	PHLG; MC ECS Republic of Austria	ECS submitted the draft Procedural Acts to the Commission by 04.08.2006

B. ON ENERGY POLICY ISSUES

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No.	TASK	REASONING	OVERALL DEADLINE	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE INSTITUTION	REMARKS
1.	Ratification of the ECT	Article 105 of ECT	30.06.2006 – target date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outstanding Contracting Parties to report • ECS to summarize and distribute update information 	respective Contracting Parties; ECS	The Treaty entered into force on 1.07.2006
2.	Development of Roadmaps (Action Plans) towards the establishment and development of Energy Community	Articles 3,10,11 and Annex 1 of ECT	2007 – with intermediary steps as described in column VI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to assist Contracting Parties with their concrete Action Plans • ECS to present the Initial steps at the Ministerial Council meeting on 17.11.2006 after agreement with the PHLG • ECS to monitor the implementation of the <i>Acquis</i> throughout 2007 	ECS PHLG	ECS proposed an outline on 04.09.2006; Contracting Parties endorsed it on 15.09.2006 (Expert Meeting)
3.	Administrative assistance to the Observers	Article 96 of ECT	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to draft Observers Status • PHLG to propose adoption at the MC on 17.11.2006e 	ECS under EC guidance	Draft document has been prepared and submitted to EC for comments on 04.08.2006

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4	Assistance to Contracting Parties for the preparation of plans for the implementation of Directives 2001/77/EC and 2003/30/EC	Article 20 of ECT	30.06.2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to conduct consultations on the approach with the Contracting Parties by 23.12.2006 • ECS to provide assistance to the Contracting Parties in preparation of the implementation plans by 1.03.2007 • Contracting Parties to provide implementation plans to the EC and ECS by 31.03.2007 • EC and ECS to consolidate all plans by 31.05.2007 • EC to present the plans of each Contracting Party to the Ministerial Council by 06.2007 	ECS Contracting Parties EC	
5.	Preparation of a list of Generally Applicable Standards of the European Community	Article 21 of ECT	30.06.2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to draw up the list by 02.2007 • EC to review the list and give a consent by 03.2007 • PHLG to agree on the list by 03.2007 or 06.2007 • MC to adopt it in 06.2007 	ECS under EC Guidance MC	The overall deadline is one year after ECT entered into force

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6.	Assistance to the Contracting Parties for the preparation and adoption of national development plans as to bring the national energy sectors in line with the Generally Applicable Standards of the EC	Article 22 of ECT	30.06.2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to concretize proposal for the template of the plans on the ground of the list of Generally Applicable Standards of the European Community and to agree it with PHLG – two months after fulfillment of Task 5 • ECS to agree on national level about the concrete approach for each of the Parties – two months after fulfillment of the above task • Contracting Parties to adopt development plans for alignment purposes by 30.06.2008 	ECS	The overall deadline is one year from the adoption of the list
7.	Assistance to the Parties on adoption of Security of Supply Statements	Article 29 of ECT	30.06.2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to agree on the approach with Contracting Parties by 30.11.2006 • ECS to assist the Contracting Parties to undertake the task by 30.05.2007 • Contracting Parties to communicate the Statements to the ECS by 30.06.2007 • Contracting Parties to update the Statements every two years and report to the ECS 	ECS under EC guidance	ECS prepared a draft for the SoS Statements for the PHLG meeting scheduled for 17-18 Oct 2006;

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8.	Establish a register and information mechanism about safeguard measures , undertaken by Parties in case of crisis on the network energy market	Article 38 in relation with Article 36 of ECT	17.11.2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EC to agree on the proposal • PHLG to approve it on its meeting on 16.11.200 • Ministerial Council to adopt it on 17.11.2006 	ECS in consultation with the Parties and under EC guidance	Draft proposal on the register, information and supervision has been prepared by ECS and submitted to EC in August 2006
9.	Assistance with the preparation of a Procedural Act for the operation of the mutual assistance obligation	Article 46 of ECT	30.06.2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to clarify the task with EC by end of 2006 • ECS to prepare the draft Procedural Act and have consultations with the Parties by 03.2007 • PHLG to approve the Procedural Act by 06.2007 • Ministerial Council to adopt it by 06.2007 	ECS in consultation with the Parties and under EC guidance	To be adopted by the Ministerial Council in 2007
10.	Assistance to the Ministerial Council for the annual report on the activities of the Energy Community to the European Parliament and to the Parliaments of the Adhering Parties and of the Participants	Article 52 of ECT	30.03.2007 for the year 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to prepare the draft report by 15.02.2007 • EC to give a consent on it by 28.02.2007 • PHLG to approve the report in March 2007 • MC to submit it to the European Parliament by 30.03.2007 	MC with the support of the ECS, PHLG EC	
11.	Preparation of the yearly progress report on the proper implementation by the Parties of their obligations under the Treaty	Article 67(b) of ECT	30.03.2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to submit yearly progress report to the PHLG and MC by 30.03.2007 	ECS	

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12.	Support the EC activities towards Donors' assistance for SEE, in relation to investments	Art.67c) of ECT and Grant Contract	28.02.2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to coordinate the preparation of criteria for regional investment priorities • PHLG to approve criteria • ECS to prepare the first inventory of investments by 28.02.2007 • PGHL to approve the first inventory list ECS to update the list quarterly 	ECS	Clarification regarding ECS responsibility in this respect with EC required
13.	Assistance with the preparation of the Procedural Act on budget	Article 74, 75 and 88 of ECT	17.11.2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to prepare the draft for EC by 30.10.2006 • PHLG to approve it on 16.11.2006 • Ministerial Council to adopt it on 17.11.2006 	EC ECS assistance	Secretariat to assist the EC
14.	Organize the preparation of the Procedural Act regulating organizational, budgetary and transparency issues of the Energy Community	Article 86 of ECT	17.11.2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECS to prepare drafts and get EC consent on these 	ECS under EC guidance	