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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<td>1.</td>
<td>MINISTERIAL COUNCIL – draft Internal Rules of Procedure</td>
<td>Article 49 of ECT</td>
<td>17.11.2006</td>
<td>MC to adopt by 17.11.2006</td>
<td>ECS, EC, MC</td>
<td>ECS prepared draft rules and sent these to the EC for comments on 04.08.2006</td>
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| 2.  | PHLG – Preparation of Internal Rules of Procedure | Article 55 of ECT | 16.11.2006 | • 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 |
<p>| 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 |</p>
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| 6.  | ENERGY COMMUNITY SECRETARIAT: Transform from interim Secretariat into an international organization | Articles 67-72 of ECT | 30.06.2007 | • 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:  
  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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| 1.  | Ratification of the ECT                                              | Article 105 of ECT                                                                                     | 30.06.2006 – target date | • 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 | • 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 Acquis throughout 2007                                                                            | ECS                                         | 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          | • ECS to draft Observers Status  
• PHLG to propose adoption at the MC on 17.11.2006                                                                                   | 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       | • 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       | The overall deadline is one year after ECT entered into force |
| 5   | Preparation of a list of Generally Applicable Standards of the European Community | Article 21 of ECT                | 30.06.2007       | • 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         |                                                                  |
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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 | • 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 | • 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       | • 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       | • 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 | • 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 |                                                                                        |
<p>| 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       | • ECS to submit yearly progress report to the PHLG and MC by 30.03.2007 | ECS |                                                                                        |</p>
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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 | • 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 | • 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 | • ECS to prepare drafts and get EC consent on these | ECS under EC guidance |