Energy Community Parliamentary Plenum (ECPP) Meeting

9:30 – 13:10, 9 December 2020, virtual/webex

1. Welcome by the President of the Parliament of Montenegro, Mr Aleksa Becic, on behalf of the Energy Community Presidency in Office (9:30 – 9:40)

2. Opening statement by Mr Cristian-Silviu Buşoi, Chair, Committee on Industry, Research and Energy, European Parliament (9:40 – 9:50)

3. Green Deal for the Energy Community (9:50 – 11:30)

Following in the footsteps of the European Union, the Energy Community Contracting Parties, comprising the Western Balkans, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, have embarked on the process of decarbonization of their energy sector. Their energy transition pathway needs to be ambitious, not least to meet the targets for renewables, energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emissions reduction. The session aims to provide a platform for the exchange of views among legislators on 2020 target implementation in the Energy Community, the state of play of preparation of National Energy and Climate Plans, the changing policy landscape including the carbon border adjustment mechanism and the future policy framework and targets until 2030.

Introduction and moderation by Janez Kopač, Director of the Energy Community Secretariat
Views from Members of the European Parliament & Energy Community Contracting Party Parliaments
Interventions by other stakeholders

Break (11:30 – 11:40)

4. Dialogue on Developing National Energy and Climate Plans (11:40 – 13:00)

Like in the European Union, National Energy and Climate Plans constitute the framework for integrating energy and climate policies and driving the decarbonization process. The Energy Community Contracting Parties are currently in various stages of preparing their NECPs, which clearly requires consultations with all relevant stakeholders. The involvement of national parliaments is undoubtedly a critical part of this process. This session aims to create a platform for legislators to share their experiences and discuss the challenges and good practices in developing the NECPs.

Introduction to the NECP process by Janez Kopač, Director of the Energy Community Secretariat
Discussion and Q&A

5. Preparation for 2021 activities, including date and place of next meeting (13:00 – 13:10)