EU legislation as a stimulus for enhanced climate ambition in the EU neighborhood

3 December 2023, 9.30-11.00
EU Pavilion, COP28, Dubai Expo

Energy Community Secretariat would like to welcome you to the High-level panel with representatives from DG CLIMA, ministers of Contracting Parties of the Energy Community and the Director of the Energy Community Secretariat, which will focus on showcasing how the EU climate and energy acquis has led to enhanced targets, and as a result, to increased climate ambition of Contracting Parties.

Panellists will share their experience on how the implementation of EU legislation has structured their work on climate action (drafting NECPs, LTS, reporting) and has overall contributed to a deeper understanding and commitment to mitigating climate change. An exchange of views will also take place on the challenges and benefits of such a process, focusing on interlinkages with other EU legislation.

1. Welcome and keynote (9:30 – 10:05)

Welcome
Diana Acconcia, Director, DG CLIMA
Yulia Svyrdenko, DPM of Ukraine
Gert Jan Koopman, Director General, DG NEAR
Ditte Juul Jørgensen, Director General, DG ENER

Keynote speech

2. High-level panel on enhanced climate ambition in the EU neighborhood (10:05 – 11:00)

The panel is going to focus on how the EU climate acquis can be an effective driver for increased climate ambitions outside of the EU borders and how the Energy Community framework can be an EU driven process facilitating better alignment with the Paris Agreement.

Whether the EU energy and climate governance can be used as a template for a comprehensive and participatory process leading to the target implementation in the EU neighborhood and beyond, will also be explored.

Moderator:
Diana Acconcia, Director, DG CLIMA

Panelists:
Artur Lorkowski, Energy Community Secretariat
Oleksiy Sobolev, Deputy Minister for Digital Development of Ukraine
Nino Tandilashvili, Deputy Minister at Ministry of Environment and Agriculture of Georgia
Ilka Starrost, Senior Project Lead, Capacity Development for Climate Policy, GIZ
Chiara Martinelli, Director of the Climate Action Network (CAN) Europe
Markus Berndt, Acting Managing Director, EIB Global