Vienna Forum on European Energy Law

13 March 2015, Vienna

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

Context

The Vienna Forum is a joint initiative between the Florence School of Regulation and the Energy Community Secretariat and is designed to highlight issues topical both for the EU and the Energy Community.

This year's Forum is divided into 3 sessions. In the first session, representatives from the Commission, the Energy Community and academia discuss the newly created EU's Energy Union, its future role and its relevance to the Energy Community. The second session centers on decarbonisation and renewable policies. In particular, we discuss the optimal design of RES support schemes, feed-in tariff litigation as well as national experiences with markets for certificates. The third session addresses law enforcement in the Energy Community. The seminar closes with a roundtable discussion "Ukraine – an Energy Hotspot" bringing together energy regulators, investors, and experts in foreign affairs, diplomacy and the EU-Ukraine energy relations.
Programme

09.00 – 09.15  
*Registration & welcome coffee*

09.15 – 09.30  
Welcome and introduction  
**Dirk Buschle**  |  Energy Community Secretariat

09.30 – 09.45  
Keynote speech  
The Energy Community – the new pan-European energy governance  
**Helmut Schmitt von Sydow**  |  University of Lausanne

**Session 1**  
Energy – The State of the Union  
*Chair: Leigh Hancher*  |  Florence School of Regulation, Tilburg University, Allen & Overy LLP

09.45 – 10.00  
Energy Union and Energy Community – What is the difference?  
**Janez Kopač**  |  Energy Community Secretariat

10:00 – 10.15  
A vision for an Energy Union  
**Sami Andoura**  |  College of Europe

10.15 – 10.35  
Discussion

10.35 – 11.00  
Coffee break

**Session 2**  
Decarbonisation and renewable – what is the masterplan?  
*Chair: Birgitte Jourdan Andersen*  |  EFTA Surveillance Authority

11.00 – 11.15  
The design of support schemes: Are auctions the future?  
**Christoph Riechmann**  |  Frontier Economics

11.15 – 11.30  
RES in Poland – new opening  
**Jan Rączka**  |  Regulatory Assistance Project

11.30 – 11.45  
White certificates: the French experience  
**Liliana Eskenazi**  |  Allen & Overy LLP

11.45 – 12.00  
Feed-in tariff litigation – a green success story?  
**Saverio Massari**  |  University of Bologna

12.00 – 12.15  
Making gas part of the EU energy future means making a green gas market:  
The need for EU recognised green gas certificates  
**Søren J. Hansen**  |  Energinet.dk

12.15 – 12.45  
Discussion

12.45 – 13.45  
Lunch

**Session 3**  
Law enforcement in the Energy Community  
*Chair: Andreas Gunst*  |  DLA Piper LLP

13.45 – 14.00  
What is wrong with Energy Community law enforcement?  
**Rozeta Karova**  |  Energy Community Secretariat

14.00 – 14.15  
Is a regional court an option?  
**Nikolaus Pitkowitz**  |  Graf & Pitkowitz

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