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Joint Committee Meeting

European Parliament - National Parliaments

The EU Internal Energy Market for the 21st Century

Tuesday, 17 December 2013, 10.15 - 17.30

European Parliament, Brussels

Room: József Antall (JAN) 2Q2

Europe's energy policy is facing several challenges today. We have to ensure affordable and secure supplies for both European consumers and industry while at the same time reducing our carbon emissions.

To achieve these goals the EU will need an internal energy market that operates efficiently, which is not the case yet. Investments in the energy sector are lacking, energy prices remain relatively high while economically rational investments in energy efficiency are not being made. To bring about a transition to a low-carbon economy and ensure affordable and secure energy supplies more attention needs to be given to further opening up of the EU's internal energy market, improvement of competition and full integration of Europe's energy networks and systems.

The main questions that will be discussed at the meeting are the following: What are the achievements and perspectives of the European energy policy? What are the best ways to make the EU's internal energy market fit for current and future challenges? What are the major steps to ensure that the European energy policy will foster sustainable growth and competitiveness?

- 09h45-10h15 Arrival and registration of participants at the reception desk of the József Antall Building (Solidarność 1980 Esplanade).
- 10h15-10h30 Welcome address by Ms Amalia Sartori, Chair of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy of the European Parliament, and Mr Remigijus Žemaitaitis, Chair of the Committee on Economics of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania

Session I - European Energy Policy - Challenges, Achievements and Perspectives

10h30-11h15 Keynote speeches

• **Mr Günther Oettinger**, Member of the European Commission in charge of Energy

European Energy Policy - Main Goals for the Future

• Mr Jerzy Buzek, Member of the European Parliament

Making the internal energy market work

• Mr Jaroslav Neverovič, Minister of Energy, Lithuania

Integration of Europe's energy systems

11h15-12h30 Discussion

13h00-14h30 Seated lunch reception (by invitation only)

Session II - A European Energy Policy for Sustainable Growth and Competitiveness

15h00-16h00 Keynote speeches:

• **Mr Antonio Tajani**, Vice-President of the European Commission in charge of Industry and Entrepreneurship

Safe and affordable energy resources for a competitive industry

• Mr Kornelis Blok, Professor, University of Utrecht

Renewable energy sources and sustainable energy balances

• Mr Randall Bowie, Director, Board of Directors, European Council for an Energy Efficient Economy

Energy Efficiency – the shale gas of Europe

• Mr Markus Beyrer, Director General of BusinessEurope

European business views on the future of EU energy policy

16h00-17h30 Discussion

Concluding remarks by **Ms Amalia Sartori**, Chair of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy of the European Parliament, and **Mr Remigijus Žemaitaitis**, Chair of the Committee on Economics of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania.

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