32nd Session of the Committee on Sustainable Energy

14 September 2023
Morning Session 10h00 - 13h00

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SESSION WILL START AT 10:00 CEST
Housekeeping

Ms. Iva Brkic
Secretary, Committee on Sustainable Energy

**10:00-13:00 and 15:00-18:00 CET**

Meeting is recorded

Presentations will be posted
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Raise the hand to request the floor

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Setting the Scene

Keynote Address: Electricity System Reliability during the Transition

Jim Robb,
Chair, Group of Experts on Cleaner Electricity Systems
What is a resilient energy system?

- A resilient energy system ensures that energy makes an optimal contribution to a country’s social, economic, and environmental development.
- Energy security strengthens energy independence through interconnectivity and trade.
- Affordability reduces costs of electricity, heating, cooling, and transport.
- Environmental sustainability lowers the carbon footprint and enhances efficiency across the energy supply chain.
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Reliability/Resilience/Security Concerns

- Fuel assurance/uncertainties
  - Natural gas
  - Renewables

- Loss of key “essential reliability services” with retirements
  - Inertia/frequency response
  - Reactive Power/voltage support

- Appropriate level of investment in infrastructure for hardening & resilience
  - Extreme weather
  - Coordinated Physical attack

- Expanding cyber attack surface
  - Industry Control Systems (ICSs)
  - IBRs/DERs/EV Charging

- Sophistication of recent cyber attacks
  - SolarWinds (one to many)
  - Pipedream, Industroyer malware
Four Pillars of the Energy Transition

Growing Loads and Performance Expectations as Economy is Electricified

- **NO/LOW CARBON ENERGY RESOURCES**
  Ensure sufficient amounts of no/low carbon energy to achieve decarbonization goals

- **TRANSMISSION**
  Develop adequate transmission to integrate renewables and transmit/distribute energy

- **BALANCING RESOURCES**
  Maintain a robust fleet of balancing resources needed to serve energy along with integrated renewables

- **ENERGY SUPPLY CHAIN**
  Ensure healthy energy supply chains for balancing resources, with sufficient access to stored energy to withstand long-duration, widespread extreme weather events
Panel I: Technology Interplay for Carbon Neutral Power Systems

- **Moderator: Jim Robb**, Chair, Group of Experts on Cleaner Electricity Systems
- **Role of Dispatchable Generation**
  - **Mark Lauby**, Senior Vice President, Chief Engineer, North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC)
- **Outlook for Carbon Capture and Sequestration**
  - **Jon Gibbins**, Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on Cleaner Electricity Systems
- **Accelerating Renewable Deployment**
  - **Kostiantyn Gura**, Chair, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy
- **Outlook for Energy Storage**
  - **Lars Jacobsson**, CEO, TEXEL Energy Storage
- **End Uses and the Electricity Grid**
  - **Stefan Buettner**, Chair, Group of Experts on Energy Efficiency
- **Power-to-X: Role of green and low-carbon hydrogen**
  - **Francisco de la Flor Garcia**, Chair, Group of Experts on Gas
Panel II: Energy Connectivity and Regional Cooperation

- Moderator: Iva Brkic, Secretary, Committee on Sustainable Energy

Insights from Central Asia and the Caucuses

- **Overview on Central Asia**
  - Sergey Katyshev, Independent consultant, expert on Central Asia

- **The case of Georgia**
  - Romeo Mikautadze, Vice-Chair, Committee on Sustainable Energy, First Deputy Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia

- **The case of Republic of Moldova**
  - Sergiu Robu, Lead Analyst, Institute of Power Engineering of the Academy of Sciences of Moldova

Insights from Western Europe

- **The case of Austria**
  - Jasmin Haider, Policy Officer, Austrian Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation & Technology

- **Steps towards a global energy interconnected network**
  - Yin Bo. Executive Director of Europe Office, Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation Organization (GEIDCO)
Day 2 Morning Session
Conclusions and Recommendations

Documentation: DRAFT CSE-32/2023/INF.1 - Conclusions and Recommendations of the Committee on Sustainable Energy at its 32nd session
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THANK YOU!
The session will continue today at 15:00 CEST