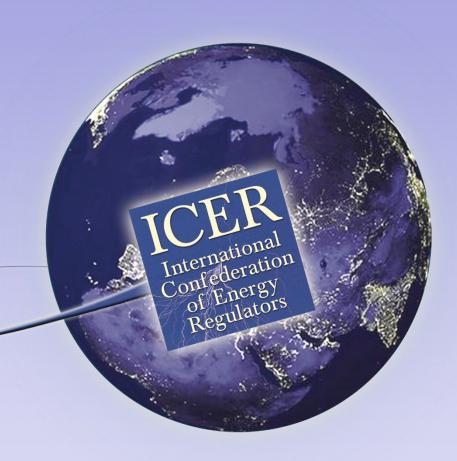
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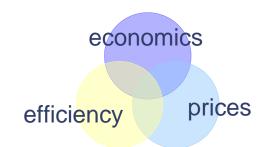
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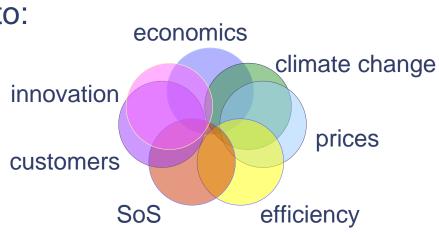


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## Role of regulators is changing

- Traditionally, the focus of regulation was on:
  - economic regulation
  - keeping prices low
  - promoting efficiency in monopoly network activities
- Today, change and extension of many regulators' responsibilities to:
  - Security of supply
  - Climate change, renewables
  - Innovation: smartness
  - Disadvantaged customers
  - Competition in liberalised markets
  - Provision of electricity in developing countries







#### Global cooperation among energy regulators

- ICER
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- Regulators must collaborate internationally to seek regulatory solutions to global issues
- •ICER launched in Athens on 21 October 2009 at the World Forum on Energy Regulation (WFER) IV
- Declaration issued by energy regulators with concrete commitments to take action on key issues
- •Key themes of security of supply, climate change. Competitiveness and affordability, and Regulatory best practices

### **Goals of ICER**



- To raise the profile and public awareness of the work of national energy regulators in monitoring electricity and gas markets and safeguarding consumer interests
- To provide an open platform for energy regulators to pursue joint values and goals
- To reconcile market mechanisms with public service objectives
- To provide a significant contribution towards a sustainable planet

#### **ICER FOUNDING MEMBERS – Global coverage**

AFUR African Forum for Utility Regulators

ARIAE Asociación Iberoamericana de Entidades Reguladoras de la

Energía

CAMPUT Canadian Association of Members of Public Utility

**Tribunals** 

CEER Council of European Energy Regulators

EAPIRF East Asia and Pacific Infrastructure Regulatory Forum

ERRA Energy Regulators Regional Association

MEDREG Association of Mediterranean Regulators for Electricity and

Gas

NARUC National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners

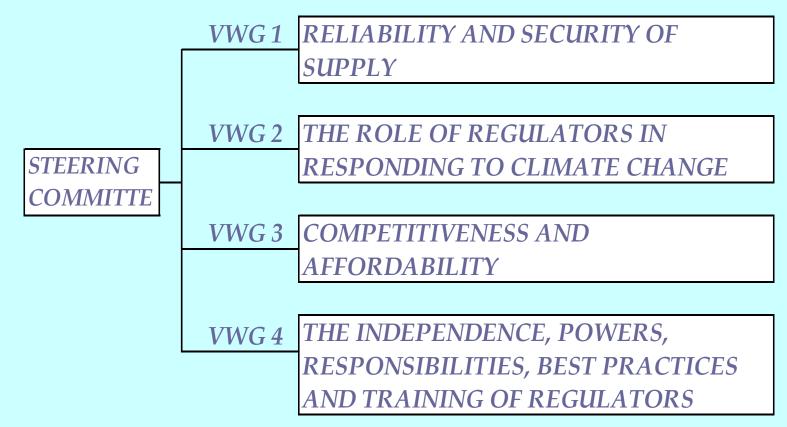
OOCUR Organization of Caribbean Utility Regulators

RERA Regional Electricity Regulators Association

SAFIR South Asian Forum for Infrastructure Regulation

#### ICER - ORGANISATION AND WORKING GROUPS





> ICER operates mainly through virtual means

## **ICER Actions**



- ICER has already:
  - Issued a statement on Climate Change at World Forum for Energy Regulation, Athens 2009 and at the UN Climate Change Conference (COP-15), Copenhagen, 2009
  - Presented a report of Energy Efficiency on the occasion of the 2010 G8 summit at Muskoka
  - Established infrastructure to enable easy global communication between energy regulators
  - Established a work plan with clear deliverables on the regulatory aspects of the global challenges we face
  - Launched new ICER Distinguished Scholar Awards
  - Established links with international organisations with common interests

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# The development of ICER ICER INTERPRETATION OF ICER INTERPRETATION OFFICIAL OFFICIAL

- ICER is still a very young organisation
- We expect its profile to grow as its delivers reference documents and advice on which policy makers can rely
- We expect ICER to quickly become established as one of the key international bodies which are authoritative in energy public policy issues

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