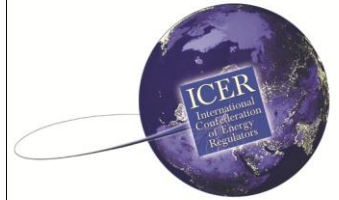




CEER-ICER workshop on Renewable Energy Strategy



Wednesday, 20 June 2012

Brussels, Belgium

The **International Confederation of Energy Regulators (ICER)** has produced a **report on Renewable Energy and Distributed Generation**, which will be launched at a workshop (20th June) in Brussels, during the EU's 2012 Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW).

The ICER report "Renewable Energy and Distributed Generation: International Case Studies on Technical and Economic Considerations" covers six broad themes:

- connecting renewable energy to the grid;
- the impact of wholesale market and system operator arrangements on renewables;
- the impact of renewables on conventional generation (for example due to intermittency);
- the legal, financial and socio-economic implications of international renewable energy projects;
- the challenges related to the promotion of distributed generation; and
- the specific challenges faced by some developing countries despite the high potential for renewable generation from sources such as solar, wind and biomass.

The report examines the integration of renewable and distributed generation into the overall energy supply and their impact on the grid and competition in different parts of the world.

The workshop, co-organised by ICER and the Council of European Energy Regulators (CEER), will be an ideal opportunity to showcase different international case studies on renewable energy and to address the European Commission's renewables strategy.

Key aspects and perspectives to be presented during the workshop:

- **International case studies from the 2012 ICER Report on renewable energy and distributed generation**
- **Role of renewables in the European Commission's 2030 strategy**
- **Ensuring effective grid and market integration of renewable energy**

The workshop will take place at the First Euroflat Hotel, 50 Boulevard Charlemagne, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium, on **Wednesday 20 June 2012 from 9h00 to 12h00**. There is no fee for participation, but delegates will need to cover their own travel and accommodation expenses. To register for the event, log on to the Sustainable Energy Week website: <http://www.eusew.eu/>

For further information about participation, please contact the ICER Secretariat at: office@icer-regulators.net.

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09h00 – 12h00

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Programme

Time	Session	Confirmed Moderator/Speakers
08.30	Registration	
09.00-09.10	Welcome	Ms Yvonne Fredriksson Chair of Climate Change Working Group, International Confederation of Energy Regulators (ICER)
09.10-09.30	Renewables strategy in energy & climate policy – a perspective of UK energy market reform	Prof. Michael Grubb Chair of Energy and Climate Policy, Cambridge University, and Senior Advisor, Ofgem
International case studies from the 2012 ICER Report on renewable energy and distributed generation		
09.30-09.50	Renewable projects on a regional/international level – lessons from the Mediterranean solar plan	Mr Jose Miguel Unson Mediterranean Regulators for Electricity and Gas (MEDREG)
09.50-10.10	The impact of wholesale market and system operation arrangements on Renewable Energy Support – case studies from Europe, Australia and New England (USA)	Ms Michaela Kollau Council of European Energy Regulators (CEER)
10.10-10.30	Chinese case study on renewable energy and distributed generation	Dr Jiang Bo Europe-China Clean Energy Centre (China)
10.30-10.50	Questions from the audience	
10.50-11.50	Panel discussion moderated by Mr Tom Howes (Renewables, Research and Innovation, Energy Efficiency, DG Energy, European Commission), with a (10 min.) Key Note Address by MEP Claude Turmes followed by short (5 min. oral interventions) by panel members to start the Q&A discussion. Key Note Address on Green Growth: How best to integrate renewables so that they play their role in the EU's 2030 strategy? Designing a grid that is in large part driven by renewables – what are the challenges of connecting renewables to grids within and between countries? What is the impact of a non-harmonised renewable strategy in Europe? How can renewable energy objectives be reconciled with the need to improve the global competitiveness of (energy-intensive) industry? Questions from the audience	Mr Claude Turmes Member of the European Parliament Mr Dominique Maillard President of the Very Large Power Grid Operators (VLPGO) Prof. Arthouros Zervos President of the European Wind Energy Association Mr Fernard Felzinger President of IFIEC Europe (the International Federation of Industrial Energy Consumers)
11.50-12.00	Closing Remarks	Ms Yvonne Fredricksson Chair of ICER's Climate Change Working Group