



Workshop agenda: Long term energy and climate planning in Southeast Europe



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CARISMA WORKSHOP AGENDA AND TOPICS

LOCATION: Forum Zagreb, Radnicka cesta 50 – Green Gold Centre, 10000 Zagreb, hall Zemlji

DATE and TIME: 18th June 2018, 09:00 - 16:30

Long-term energy and climate planning in Southeast Europe

Long term National Climate and Energy Plans (NECP) are the main new governance mechanisms aimed at ensuring that signatories of the Paris Agreement reach their climate targets. Every EU Member State must submit an NECP to the EU Commission by 2020, and will be obliged to resubmit one every ten years. The plan needs to be integrated meaning that it should combine aspects of both energy and climate adaptation and mitigation strategies.

Southeast European countries have various experiences in long term energy and climate planning, and are generally facing several challenges such as dependence on coal power in their electricity mix, stop and go renewable energy policies such as the example of Bulgaria and Romania, high costs of capital for wind and solar PV and social acceptance challenges of renewable energy in general. The Western Balkan and Energy Community member states are moreover in several phases of the negotiation process to enter the European Union. As this requires adopting the EU energy and climate acquis these countries also have to develop climate strategies that address mitigation and adaptation measures.

Croatia is currently in the last phases of making its climate change mitigation and low carbon development strategies. Still the question remains if these ambitious plans will really transform into actionable projects, and if the government will use them for energy and climate policies until 2030. The Low Carbon Development Strategy is five years in the making and it's critical that the government adopts it. This would help define its new Energy Strategy and keep its Paris Agreement promises.

More importantly having clarity on the government's energy and climate strategies would provide a clear signal of stability for investments into renewables and climate adaptation technologies.



This workshop will bring together the leading experts in energy and climate policy from Europe with some of the most successful investors and practitioners from the region. This includes **Oliver Sartor** from the Paris based think tank **IDDRI**, **Andreas Tuerk** from **Joanneum Research** and **University of Graz** and **Sonja Risteska** from the Berlin based **Agora Energiewende**, a renowned think tank for the energy transition. On the other hand leading investors and consultants from the region will discuss how high level plans can be placed into practice. This will include **Bojan Rescec** from **RP Global**, an investor with 78 MW of wind capacity in Croatia, **Edo Jerkic** from **Renewable Energy Sources of Croatia**, **Nihad Harbas** from the Sarajevo based **nLogic** and Belgrade based **Dimitar Dimitrovski** from the **International Finance Corporation**.

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Registration and morning coffee

08:30

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Block 1: Long term climate and energy planning: importance for national policymaking

09:15

Hedviga Blazincic, Starfish Energy & Andreas Tuerk, Joanneum Research

Welcome address & Introduction into the Horizon 2020 CARISMA project

09:30

Oliver Sartor, IDDRI – Long-term energy and climate planning in the EU: insights on good practice from national experience

10:00

Andreas Tuerk, Joanneum Research – Socioeconomic dimension of upscaling renewable energy technologies: insights from the CARISMA project

10:30

Coffee break



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Block 2: Decarbonisation pathways of the regions power systems: challenges and opportunities

11:00

Sonja Risteska, Agora Energiewende – Power decarbonisation in the region and learning's from the German energy transition

11:30

Nihad Harbas (nLogic), Dimitar Dimitrovski (IFC), Edo Jerkic (OIE HR) – practical experiences from the region in developing renewable energy projects and legislation

Panel: moderated by Mak Dukan, Starfish Energy

12:00

Light lunch

Block 3: Long term energy and climate planning in Croatia

13:00

Vladimir Jelavic/Lin Herencic, Ekonerg – Experiences from the making of the Croatian Low Carbon Development Strategy and its impact on national policy making

13:30

Ministry of Environmental Protection and Energy – The Climate Adaptation Strategy and experiences with the transposition of the EU legal structures to Croatia

14:00

Coffee break

Block 4: Social dimensions of decarbonisation in the region

14:30

Ivana Rogulj, DOOR – Energy poverty and its implication for decarbonisation: what do we know and how does it effect energy and climate planning?



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15:00

Pippa Gallop, CEE Bankwatch – How to make the energy transition just? The challenges of coal phase out in Southeast Europe

15:30 Coffee Break

Block 5: Climate mitigation and energy in Southeast Europe: the road ahead!

16:00

Sonja Risteska (Agora Energiewende), Oliver Sartor (IDDRI), Bojan Rescec (RP Global), Representative of Ministry of Environmental Protection and Energy, Goran Krajačić (FSB, University of Zagreb)

Panel discussion: moderated by Mak Dukan

16:30

End of workshop

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