Public call for interest / information

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New appointment of the ACER Board of Appeal members and alternates

The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators hereby publishes a call for interest regarding the new appointment of the ACER Board of Appeal members and alternates.

According to Article 19 of Regulation (EC) No 713/2009, any natural or legal person may appeal against a decision of the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators referred to in Articles 7, 8 or 9 of this regulation if the decision is addressed to that person, or is of direct and individual concern to that person.

According to Article 19 of Regulation (EC) No 713/2009, the Board of Appeal shall comprise six members and six alternates selected from among current or former senior staff of the national regulatory authorities, competition authorities or other national or Community institutions with relevant experience in the energy sector.

The members and alternates of the Board of Appeal were formally appointed by the Administrative Board, on a proposal from the Commission, following a public call for expression of interest, and after consultation of the Board of Regulators.

The term of office of the members and alternates of the current the Board of Appeal started on 22 September 2011 for a five year mandate which comes to an end on 22 September 2016. The first term is renewable.

The members and alternates of the Board of Appeal shall be independent in making their decisions. They shall not be bound by any instructions. They shall not perform any other duties in the Agency, in its Administrative Board or in its Board of Regulators. A member or alternate of the Board of Appeal shall not be removed during his term of office, unless he has been found guilty of serious misconduct, and the Administrative Board, after consulting the Board of Regulators, takes a decision to that effect.

Participation in the Board of Appeal's work as a member or alternate is an unpaid honorary function.

Candidates will be considered eligible for selection on the basis of the following formal criteria to be fulfilled by the deadline for applications:

A. Eligibility

1. To have a level of education which corresponds to completed university studies attested by a diploma, when the normal period of university education is four years;

or

more, or a level of education which corresponds to completed university studies attested by a diploma, followed by professional experience in that field of at least one year, when the normal period of university education is at least three years;

(Only study titles that have been awarded in EU Member States or that are subject to the equivalence certificates issued by the authorities in the said Member States shall be taken into consideration.).

- 2. By the closing date for applications candidates must, after obtaining the qualifications mentioned in point 1, have acquired at least 10 years of professional experience;
- 3. Be a current or former senior staff of the national regulatory authorities, competition authorities or other national or Community institutions with relevant experience in the energy sector;
- 4. Have a thorough knowledge of one of the official Community languages, preferably English, and a satisfactory knowledge of a second of these languages to the extent necessary to perform his/her duties;
- 5. Be a national of a Member State of the European Union.

B) Selection criteria

Essential

- 1. The university degree referred to in pint A.1 must have been obtained either in law, engineering or economics;
- 2. By the closing date for applications candidates must, after obtaining the qualifications mentioned in point A.1, have acquired at **least 10 years** of professional experience **as lawyer, engineer or economist**;
- 3. Excellent written and oral command of the English language.

Advantageous

- 1. Post graduate degree obtained in a field relevant for the above tasks and duties; of relevance are post graduate degrees (Master, Ph.D) which enable the candidate either to acquire profound knowledge of energy policy and/or energy regulation or profound knowledge of legal skills;
- 2. By the closing date for applications candidates must, after obtaining the qualifications mentioned in point A.1, have acquired at **least 5 years** of professional experience with **energy regulation**;
- 3. Good written and oral command of an official language of the European Union other than the mother tongue and other than English.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

For applications to be valid, candidates must submit:

• a detailed curriculum vitae;

• a letter of motivation (1 page maximum).

The applicants should pay attention to the Agency's conflict of interest policy (Administrative Board Decision N° 02/2015).

Applications, preferably in English, should be sent by email to **ENER-BOA-ACER@ec.europa.eu**.

Applications must be sent by e-mail no later than 22 March 2016 (date of email).