



# High Level European Electricity Regulation Conference

27 November, Palazzo Vecchio, Florence  
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## Agenda

**09:00 – 09h30:** Registration & Coffee

**09h30 – 11h15:** OPENING, Chaired by Dominique Ristori, DG Energy

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*Welcome from Host: **Dario Nardella**, Florence Mayor*

**Miguel Arias Cañete**, Commissioner for Energy and Climate  
**Carlo Calenda**, Italian Minister of Economic Development  
**Simona Bonafé** (MEP S&D, Italy), EP ENVI Member  
**Ando Leppiman**, Estonian Presidency

*Ceremony on the change at the National Regulators' helm:*

**Lord John Mogg** (Ofgem) will pass the batons of ACER Board of Regulator's Chair and CEER President to newly appointed **Garrett Blaney** (CRU)

**11h15 – 12h30:** SESSION 1

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*A strong internal electricity market as a boost to jobs, growth and European leadership*

Moderator: **Anna Colucci** (Head of Unit, DG ENER)

Panelists:

- **Alberto Pototschnig** (ACER Director)
- **Kristian Ruby** (Eurelectric Secretary General)
- **Jan Van Aken** (EFET Secretary General)
- **Peter Claes** (IFIEC, Chair of the Electricity Working Party)
- **Pierre Tardieu** (Wind Europe, Chief Policy Officer)

Questions:

- *How can our power systems' interlinkages be turned into a positive asset?*
- *What are the strategic and economic benefits of a strengthened, more flexible European electricity market?*
- *How can good energy market arrangements foster both our climate and economic goals?*

**12h30 – 13h45** – Lunch

**13h45 – 15h00: SESSION 2**

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*Placing consumers at the centre: How will more flexible markets and pricing affect consumers' needs?*

Moderator: **Jean-Michel Glachant** (Florence School of Regulation)

Panelists:

- **Frauke Thies** (Executive Director, Smart Energy Demand Coalition)
- **Philip Lewis** (Founder and CEO, VaasaETT)
- **Patricia de Suzzoni** (Chair of Retail Markets Working Group, CEER)
- **Monika De Volder** (Senior Economic Officer, BEUC)
- **Tomás Gómez** (Universidad Pontificia Comillas)
- **Aurélie Beauvais** (Solar Power Europe, Policy Director)
- **Christian Buchel** (Chairman EDSO EU)
- **Andrea Péruzy** (CEO, Acquirente Unico)

Questions:

- *How should the retail market design empower consumers and facilitate the integration of more renewables?*
- *How will energy suppliers need to change to face the challenges of the energy transition? Will consumers' needs change?*
- *How can we increase consumers' interest to benefit from time-variable electricity prices and demand response?*

**15h00 – 16h15: SESSION 3**

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Moderator: **Catharina Sikow-Magny** (Head of Unit, Networks, DG ENER)

*Interconnections: the view to 2030*

Panelists:

- **Paulina Beato Blanco** (Member of the Commission Expert Group on electricity interconnection targets)
- **Nikos Vasilakos** (EREF)
- **Jochen Kreusel** (Senior Vice- President at ABB)
- **Pierre Bernard** (CEO, Friends of the Supergrid)
- **Bente Hagem** (Chair of the Board, ENTSO-E)
- **Janez Kopač** (Director, Energy Community)

Questions:

- *What elements should be taken into account when planning and developing new interconnectors?*
- *Why should there be an interconnection target?*
- *How to facilitate the implementation of interconnectors and monitor the progress of Member States?*

**16h15 – 16h30** Closing remarks