



## **Cooperation of Energy Regulators in the Eastern Partnership Platform III**

**Report on third Regulatory Workshop on Regional Electricity Markets, London, 27-28 May 2014**

Fostering energy markets,  
empowering **consumers**.

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# SHORT INTRODUCTION TO CEER



## What is CEER?

**Voice of  
Europe's  
national energy  
regulators at  
European and  
international  
level**

**Not-for-profit  
association**

**Voluntary  
Membership**

**Organization  
created by  
national  
regulators  
towards creation  
of a single EU  
electricity and  
gas market**



## CEER Members

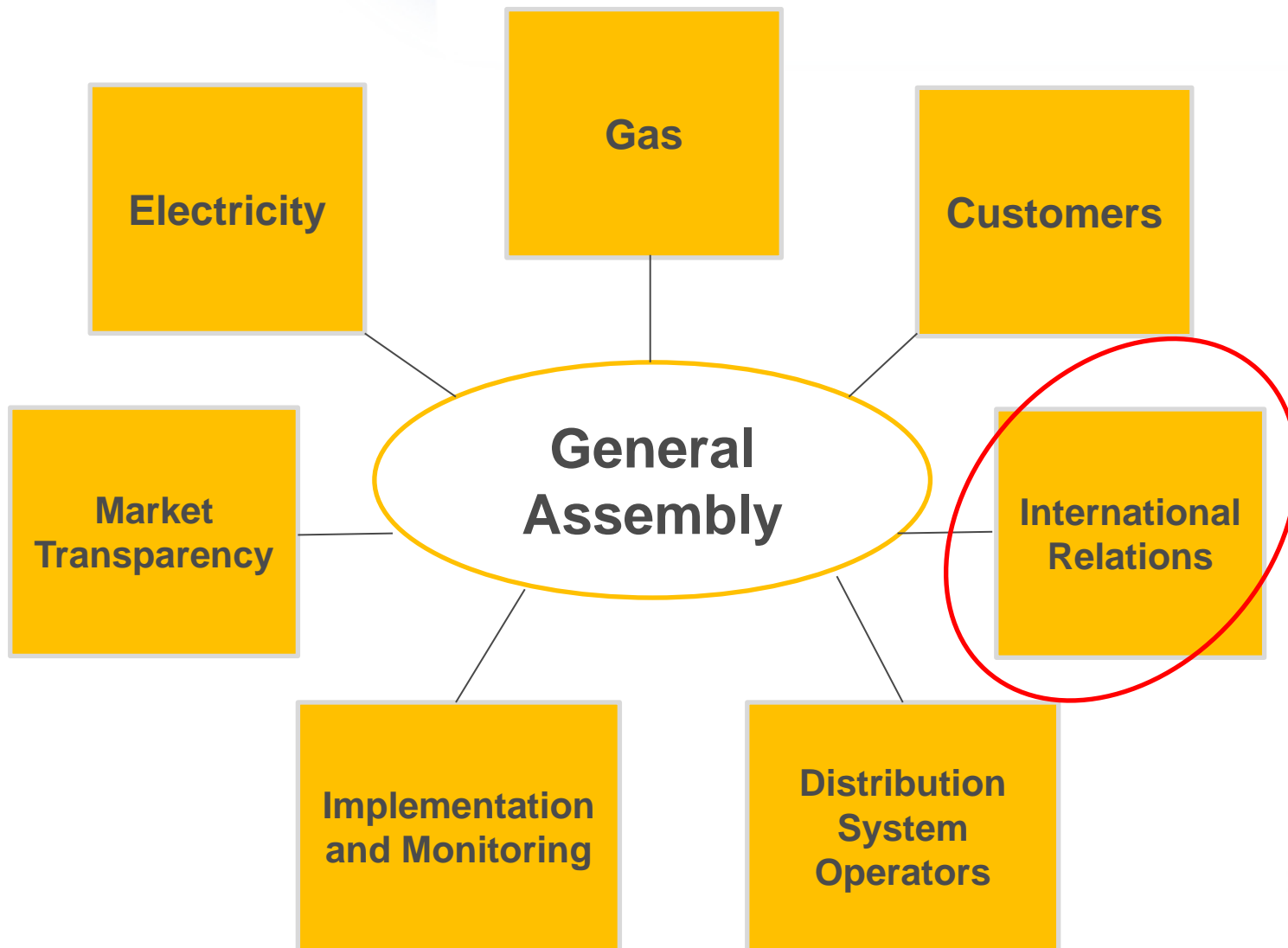
### **Members:**

National Regulatory Authorities  
from the 28 EU Member States  
+  
Regulatory Authorities from  
Iceland and Norway

### **Observers:**

Switzerland, Former Yugoslav  
Republic of Macedonia (FYROM),  
Montenegro

## CEER Work



## CEER International Strategy

**work with 3rd  
country  
partners in a  
spirit of mutual  
respect**

**Provide  
experience and  
assistance to  
interested  
counterparts  
worldwide**

**Learn further  
from the  
experience of  
fellow  
regulators and  
authorities**

# ENERGY REGULATORY ACTIVITIES IN PLATFROM III





## CEER and Eastern Partnership



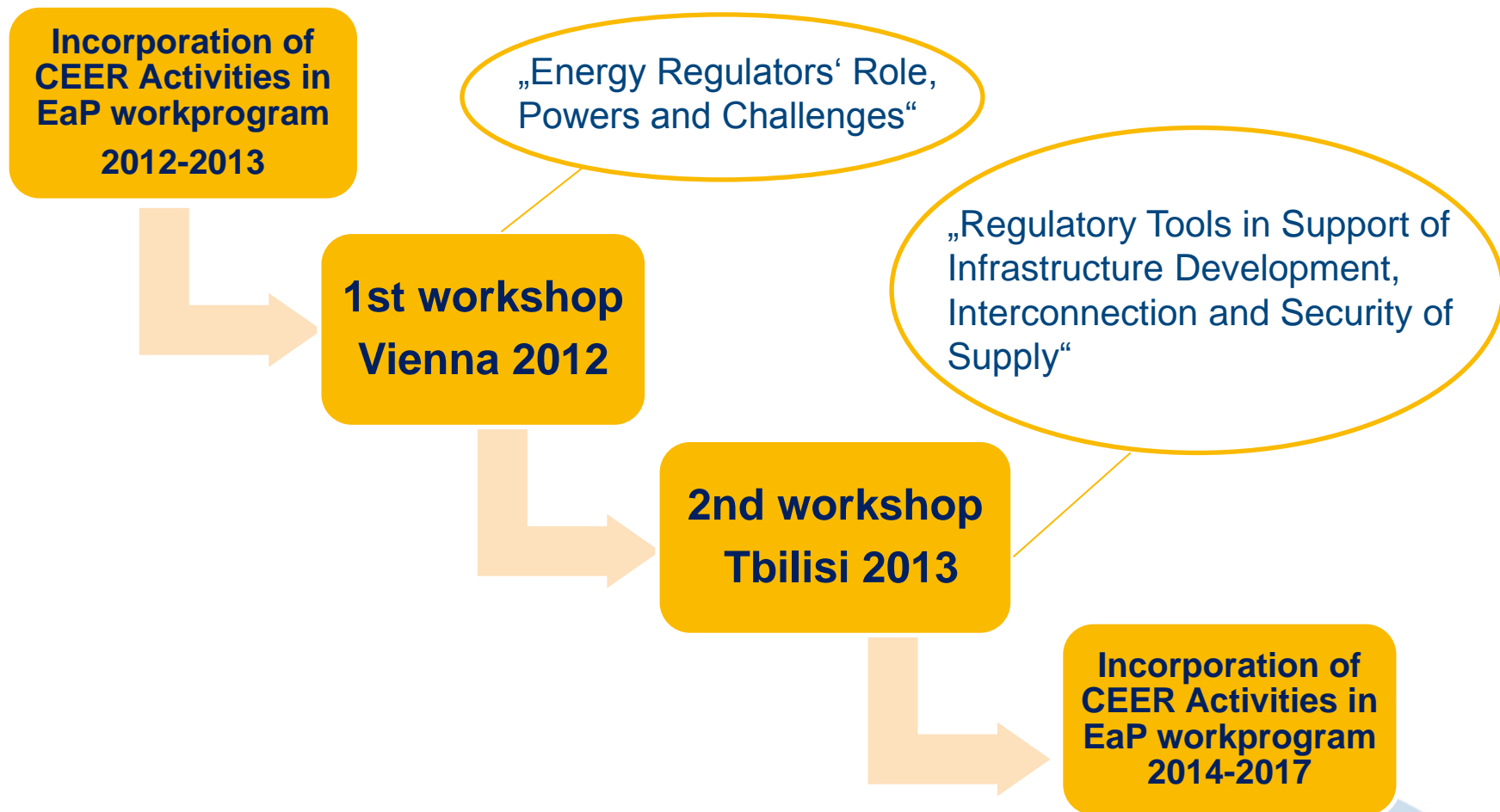
- Successful cooperation since 3 years
- Spirit of Partnership: EU and partner countries jointly decide on their activities
- Emphasis on energy regulatory issues
- Activities designed by regulators for regulators

## Main Characteristics of Regulatory Activities

- Expert Workshops on topics of regulatory importance on national and regional level
- The main actors are EU regulators and partner country regulators (and/or other bodies in charge of regulation)
- Workshops involve perspectives from individual regulatory authorities, regional regulatory associations, Energy Community, INOGATE, European Commission and other related organizations
- Working Sessions are complemented by Field Trips to gain practical knowledge and experience



## Regulatory Activities 2012-2013



# **THIRD ENERGY REGULATORY WORKSHOP IN LONDON, 27-28 MAY 2014**



# Third Regulatory Workshop in London (1)

- **Workshop**

- ▶ **Title:**

- „Building regional electricity markets“ – Regulatory aspects of market integration

- ▶ **Goal:**

- convey basic principles of EU electricity market integration
    - discuss electricity markets and potential for regional cooperation in Eastern partner countries
    - integration of 3rd countries into the EU internal electricity market
    - insights and experience of market integration in the Energy Community

- **Field Trip:**

- ▶ **Site:**

- BritNed Interconnector located on the Isle of Grain, UK

- ▶ **Goal:**

- experience operation of cross border infrastructure in practice



## Third Regulatory Workshop in London (2)

- The following perspectives were covered during the workshop:

- ▶ **EU perspective**

- Electricity target model
- Concept of market coupling
- Role of regional cooperation and legal framework
- EU governance institutions
- Case studies from Central East and Central South Europe
- Ongoing integration of 3<sup>rd</sup> countries to EU internal market and further outreach

- ▶ **Eastern Partners' perspective**

- Regional overview of the Eastern partnership region
- Individual electricity market profiles of the 6 partner countries
- Examples of potential regional cooperation mentioned: Bridge Azerbaijan-Georgia-Turkey; Armenia-Georgia; Eurasian Customs Union; Belarus-Russia-Estonia-Latvia-Lithuania (BRELL);

- ▶ **Outside perspective**

- Market integration and experience from the Energy Community
- Advice and potential Energy Community blueprints for Eastern partners



## Third Regulatory Workshop in London (3)

### Field Trip to BritNed Interconnector on the Isle of Grain



- ▶ Guided site visit of BritNed Interconnector
- ▶ BritNed Interconnector is a major new cross border electricity link in Europe between Great Britain and the Netherlands
- ▶ operational since April 2011 with a capacity of 1000 MW high voltage direct current transmitted via a 260 km long underground cable
- ▶ Total investment €600 million

## Third Regulatory Workshop in London (4)

Workshop Material available here:

- ▶ European Commission webpage:  
[http://ec.europa.eu/energy/international/eastern\\_partnership/eastern\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/energy/international/eastern_partnership/eastern_en.htm)
- ▶ CEER webpage:  
[http://www.ceer.eu/portal/page/portal/EER\\_HOME/EER\\_INTERNATIONAL/CEER\\_Eastern\\_Partnership/3rd\\_EaP\\_Workshop](http://www.ceer.eu/portal/page/portal/EER_HOME/EER_INTERNATIONAL/CEER_Eastern_Partnership/3rd_EaP_Workshop)





# CONCLUSIONS



## Conclusions

- Network of EU and Eastern Partnership regulators is growing and strengthening
- Workshops provide forum of exchange both between EU and partner countries and among partner countries
- Expert-to-expert discussions allow targeted approach and in-depth handling of pressing regulatory topics of interest
- To facilitate future dialogue, contact persons at each regulatory body may be nominated
- Regulatory activities to follow in 2015, 2016 and 2017



# Thanks for your attention!

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