

**SIXTH MEETING OF THE
EUROPEAN GAS REGULATORY FORUM**

30 AND 31 OCTOBER 2002

(Castillo de Viñuelas - Soto de Viñuelas (Madrid))

*(The entrance to Soto de Viñuelas is in Carretera del Colmenar - around 20 from Madrid - salida a Tres Cantos
- bus transportation will be organised from hotels in Madrid).*

PROGRAMME - DAY 1

Opening addresses: 09.30 – 09.50
Professor Gaspar Ariño Ortiz, Fundación de Estudios de Regulación
Directorate-General for Energy and Transport, European Commission
Danish EU Presidency
J. Vasconcelos, Council of European Energy Regulators (CEER)

1. Tariff structures 09.50 – 11.30

Presentation of study on tarification of cross-border flows and congestion management

Introduction by The Brattle Group

Further development of access tariff principles - Discussion of paper on tariff principles for TPA and transit and tarification of interruptibility prepared by the CEER in liaison with the Joint Working Group

Introduction by the CEER

Comments by the IFIEC, GTE, EFET, Eurelectric, Eurogas, GEODE and the Commission

Coffee 11.30 – 11.50

2. Capacity and transparency issues 11.50 – 13.00

Publication of available capacities

Progress report by GTE

Guidelines for calculation methodologies and transparency requirements with regard to available capacities and for convergence of balancing regimes.

Progress report by CEER

Comments by the GTE, EFET, Eurelectric, Eurogas and the Commission

Adoption of Guidelines

Lunch 13.00 – 14.30

2. Capacity and transparency issues (continued) 14.30 – 16.00

Principles for capacity allocation, congestion management and non-firm services

Introduction by the CEER

Comments by EFET, IFIEC, GTE and Eurogas

Adoption of Principles

Coffee 16.00 – 16.20

3. Follow-up on Guidelines for Good Practice 16.20 – 17.45

Benchmarking compliance with the Guidelines for Good Practice

Introduction by the DG TREN

Comments by CEER, GTE, EFET, Eurelectric, Eurogas, IFIEC

Discussion and review of the Guidelines for Good Practice

4. Gas supply potential for Europe 17.45 – 18.30

Update on OGP report on EU/EEA gas supply

Introduction by OGP

Discussion

PROGRAMME - DAY 2

5. Discussion of draft conclusions of DAY 1 09.30 – 10.00

6. Technical barriers to gas trade and interoperability 10.00 – 11.20

Inventory of technical barriers and obstacles to interoperability – practical experiences of consumers and system users in cross-border gas trade

Introduction by IFIEC

Progress report in improving gas trading standards and resolving technical obstacles

- Gas quality, harmonisation of definitions and units, Operational Balancing Agreements and GTE work on Business Rules

Introduction by GTE

Update on EASEE-Gas and its Working Groups on Business Rules, Communication Protocols and Communication Network

Introduction by EASEE-Gas

Comments by EFET and CEER

Adoption of Action Plan for Interoperability of Different European Gas Markets

Coffee 11.20 – 11.40

7. Long-term gas supplies for Europe 11.40 – 12.20

Long-term gas supplies for Europe – the Russian perspective and project plans

Presentation by representative of Gazprom (invited)

8. Close – Priorities of the Madrid Forum 12.20 – 13.00

Discussion of the the way forward

Adoption of Conclusions of the sixth meeting of the Madrid Forum.