



Eastern Partnership Platform 3 on Energy Security

**Workshop with International Financing Institutions
"Enhancing infrastructure and interconnectivity investments"**

18 June 2015 (afternoon only), Brussels, Belgium

Agenda

The event takes place back-to-back with the 13th Meeting of the Eastern Partnership Platform 3 on Energy Security on 19 June 2015.

Venue: [Brussels Marriott Hotel Grand Place](#), Ballroom (Rue Auguste Orts 3-7, 1000 Brussels)

Chair: *Hans van Steen, Head of Unit "International Relations and Enlargement", DG Energy, European Commission*

14:00-14:15 **Registration**

14:15-14:25 **Opening**, *Hans van Steen, Head of Unit "International Relations and Enlargement", DG Energy, European Commission*

14:25-14:45 **From the perspective of Eastern Partners: Investment needs for infrastructure and interconnectivity within the region and with the EU**, *Sonja Lekovic, International Energy Agency (IEA), Office of Global Energy Policy*

14:45-15:00 **EU Support via the Neighbourhood Investment Facility (NIF)**, *Mathieu Bousquet, "Regional Programmes Neighbourhood East", DG Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission*

15:00-15:45 Followed by discussion (notably reaction from partner countries)

15:45-16:00 Coffee break



- 16:00-16:30 **From the perspective of the International Financing Institutions, NIF partners: Needs and challenges for an attractive, effective and result oriented investment climate**, *Joint presentation by Manuela Naessl, Adviser to the Managing Director, Energy and Natural Resources, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and Lionel Rapaille, European Investment Bank (EIB), Eastern Neighbours, Southern Caucasus and Central Asia*
- 16:30-16:45 **Case study: “Caucasus Transmission Network”, a High Voltage Direct Current connection between Armenia and Georgia**, *Sandra Lutz, "Energy and Natural Resources - Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asia", KfW Development Bank*
- 16:45-17:00 **Attracting additional International Financing Institutions, not being partners of the NIF**, *Dimitar Dimitrovski, Policy and legal specialist of the International Finance Corporation*
- 17:00-17:25 **Discussion round**
- 17:25-17:30 **Conclusions and next steps**, *Hans van Steen, Head of Unit "International Relations and Enlargement", DG Energy, European Commission*