



**EUROPEAN COMMISSION**  
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR ENERGY

Directorate B - Internal Energy Market  
**B.1 - Networks & Regional Initiatives**

**1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Commission expert group on electricity  
interconnection targets**

Brussels, 17-18 October 2016

Day 1 – 17 October 2016

Chair: Catharina Sikow-Magny, Head of Unit, Networks & Regional Initiatives,  
Directorate-General for Energy

14h30 – 15h30          Welcome and introduction

- Political relevance and Commission's expectations for the Group - Mr Dominique Ristori, Director General for Energy,
- Tour de table: presentation of members;

15h30 – 16h00          Specific objectives and proposed work plan of the Group

- The role and working conditions of the Group – Tomasz Jerzyniak, Policy Officer, Directorate-General for Energy, Networks & Regional Initiatives Unit

16h00 – 16h45          Experts' views on cross-border electricity infrastructure

Experts present their first views on the cross-border electricity infrastructure based on the key questions asked ahead of the meeting

- Mr Brian vad Mathiesen,
- Mr Jochen Kreusel, T&D Europe,
- Ms Antonella Bataglini, Renewable Grid Initiative,
- Ms Paulina Beato Blanco,
- Mr Terry McCormick, National Grid,

Coffee break

17h00 – 18h30 Experts' views – continuation

- Ms Ivona Štritof, Central Europe Energy Partners,
- Mr Auke Lont, Statnett,
- Mr Hans Ten Berge, Eurelectric,
- Mr Daivis Virbickas, LitGrid,
- Mr Alejo Vidal-Quadras,
- Mr Nikolaos Vasilakos, European Renewable Energies Federation,
- Ms Cécile George,
- Mr Pierre Bernard, Friends of the Supergrid;
- Mr Michal Smyk, Polish Electricity Association.

19h30 Inaugural networking dinner with the participation of Mr Dominique Ristori, Director General for Energy

Day 2 – 18 October 2016
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Chair: Catharina Sikow-Magny, Head of Unit, Networks & Regional Initiatives, Directorate-General for Energy

09h00 – 10h00 The European energy policy – state of play

- Energy Union – state of play - Ms Paula Pinho, Head of Unit for Energy policy coordination;
- Commission's reference scenarios and modelling - Mr Tom Howes, Deputy Head of Unit for Economic analysis and Financial instruments

10h00 – 10h45 Current and future European energy systems

- The view of the European Networks of Transmission System Operators for electricity (ENTSO-E) – Mr Sebastien Lepy
- The view of the European Networks of Transmission System Operators for gas (ENTSOG) – Mr Malcolm Arthur
- The view of the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) – Mr Christophe Gence Creux

Coffee break

11h00 – 12h30 Key elements of the existing and future cross-border electricity infrastructure

- Proposed draft structure of the reports – Tomasz Jerzyniak, Policy Officer, Directorate-General for Energy, Networks & Regional Initiatives Unit

- Discussion between the members of the Group

12h30 – 13h30

Lunch break

13h30-15h30

Structure of the interim and main reports on electricity interconnection targets – discussion and agreement

- Discussion between the members of the Group,
- Agreement on the further work plan.

15h30

Closing remarks by the Chair