



Cooperation of Energy Regulators in the Eastern Partnership Platform III

**Report on 4th Workshop:
“Understanding the Impact of Regulatory” Incentives
Chisinau, 26-27 March 2015**

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SHORT INTRODUCTION TO CEER



What is CEER?

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

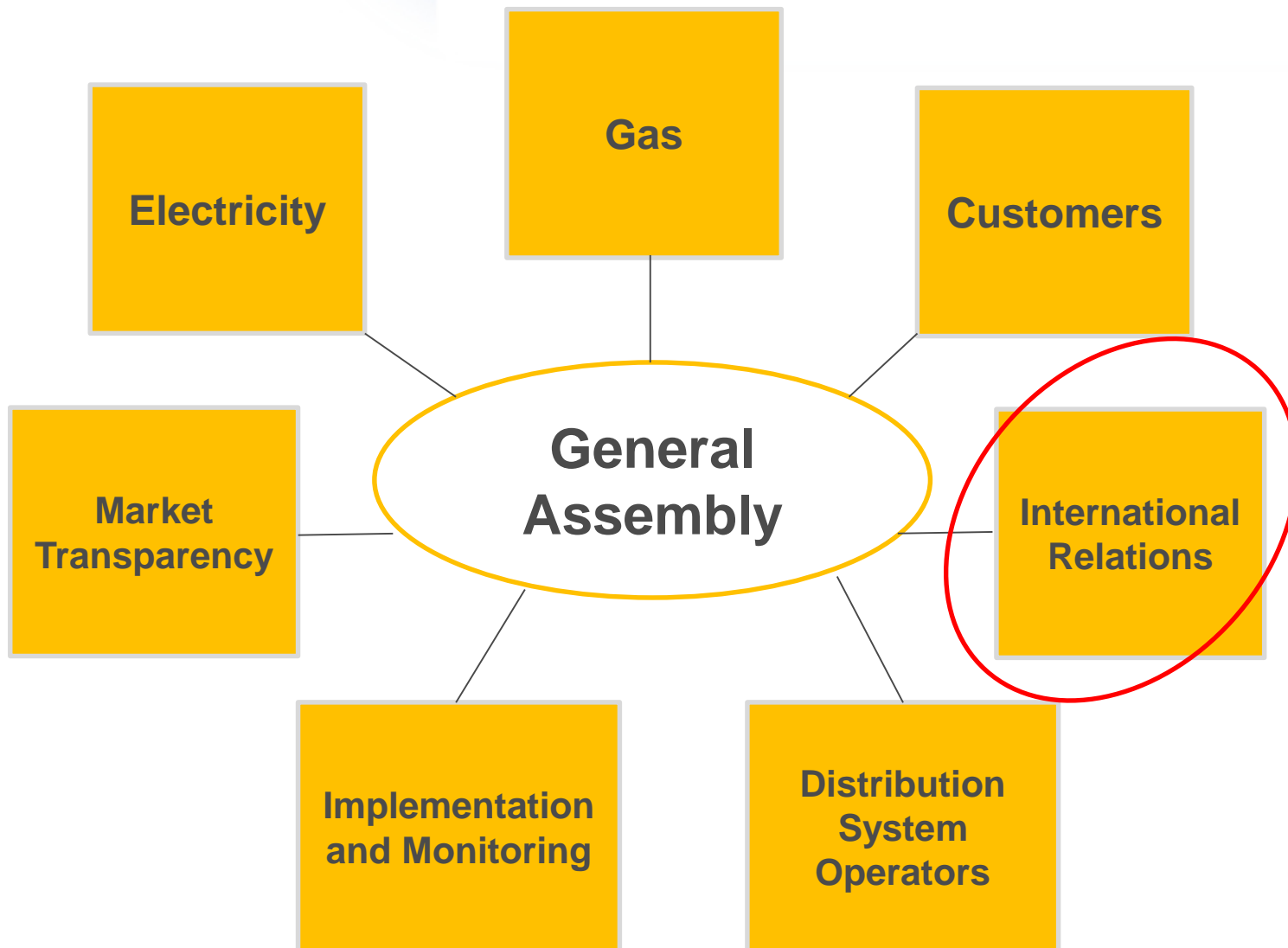
**Not-for-profit
association**

**Voluntary
Membership**

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



CEER Work



ENERGY REGULATORY ACTIVITIES IN PLATFROM III



CEER and Eastern Partnership



- Successful cooperation since 4 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 2012-2015

**1st workshop
Vienna 2012**

“Energy Regulators’ Role,
Powers and Challenges”

“Regulatory Tools in Support of
Infrastructure Development,
Interconnection and Security of
Supply”

**2nd workshop
Tbilisi 2013**

“Building Regional Electricity
Markets– Regulatory Aspects of
Market Integration”

**3rd Workshop
London 2014**

“Understanding the Impact of
Regulatory Incentives”

**4th Workshop
Chisinau 2015**



FOURTH ENERGY REGULATORY WORKSHOP

CHISINAU, 26-27 MARCH 2015



Fourth Regulatory Workshop in Chisinau (1)

- **Workshop**

- ▶ **Title:**

- „Understanding the impact of regulatory incentives”

- ▶ **Goal:**

- Gain better understanding of various tariff methodologies across Europe and the Eastern Partnership region
 - Convey Impact of different tariff models on various market participants
 - Discuss how to address conflicting objectives as a regulator
 - Covey investors' perspective on the impact of regulatory incentives
 - Explain the functioning of Twinning projects as a form of capacity building for EaP countries

- **Field Trip:**

- ▶ **Site:**

- Iasi-Ungheni Gas Pipeline

- ▶ **Goal:**

- experience operation of cross border infrastructure in practice



Fourth Regulatory Workshop in Chisinau (2)

Field trip to Iasi-Ungheni Pipeline between Moldova and Romania



- **Total length: 43.2km**
- **Total capacity: 1.5 bcm**
- **Total cost: €26 million**
(incl. EU contribution of €7 million)
- **Start of operation: 4 March 2015**

Objectives of the project:

- ▶ Higher level of energy security for the Republic of Moldova and for the eastern part of Romania
- ▶ Strengthened cross-border cooperation between Romania and the Republic of Moldova
- ▶ Increased social and economic development of urban and rural areas in bordering regions of Romania and the Republic of Moldova

A feasibility study on extending the pipeline to Chisinau is presently carried out



Fourth Regulatory Workshop in Chisinau (3)

Workshop Material available here:

- ▶ European Commission webpage:
<https://ec.europa.eu/energy/node/1589>
- ▶ CEER webpage:
http://www.ceer.eu/portal/page/portal/EER_HOME/EER_INTERNATIONAL/CEER_Eastern_Partnership/4th_EaP_Workshop



CONCLUSIONS



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- 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
- Regulatory activities to follow in 2016 and 2017



Thanks for your attention!

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