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News

Commission proposes reform of the EU electricity market design

The Commission proposed on 14 March to reform the EU's electricity market design to boost renewables, better protect consumers and enhance industrial competitiveness.

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Commission recommendations on how to exploit the potential of energy storage

On 14 March, the Commission published a series of recommendations on energy storage, with concrete actions that EU countries can take to ensure its greater deployment.

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Commission welcomes Enel's donation of 3Sun solar PV panels to Ukraine

On 3 March, by launching the project "Ray of hope" with Enel, the Commission took a first step as part of the wider initiative announced by President von der Leyen on donations of solar panels to Ukraine during her visit to Kyiv on 2 February 2023.

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Hydrogen Valleys: European Commission signs joint declaration with European stakeholders to boost the EU hydrogen economy

The Commission and key stakeholders signed on 1 March a joint declaration highlighting the crucial role of sustained efforts in renewable hydrogen research and innovation.

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Commission welcomes commitment by Finland and Luxembourg to the Renewable Energy Financing Mechanism

The announcement on 27 February followed an invitation by the Commission to all EU countries last year to participate in the mechanism and a series of detailed discussions with interested parties.

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Commission wraps up project with the International Energy Agency that helped Member States curb their reliance on Russia's fossil fuels

The project provided advice and capacity building to identify and undertake specific reforms and investments in the field of renewable energy, energy efficiency, renewable hydrogen production, and innovative solutions to decarbonise the industry in line with the REPowerEU objectives.

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Shrinking market shares for largest EU energy companies

The market shares of the largest electricity and gas producers in the EU have been decreasing in most countries since 2013 when Eurostat started collecting this data.

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EU gas consumption decreased by 19%

The EU consumption of natural gas has dropped by 19.3% in the period August 2022-January 2023, compared with the average gas consumption for the same months between 2017 and 2022.

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Need to heat buildings down by a fifth since 1979

The need to heat a given building has decreased over time: only 81% of the heating needs were required in 2022 compared with 1979.

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Speeches

Opening remarks by Commissioner Simson at the press conference on the reform of the EU's electricity market design

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Remarks by Commissioner Simson in the ITRE Committee of the European Parliament on One Year of REPowerEU

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Speech by President von der Leyen on the occasion of launching the storage of CO2 in the first full value chain Carbon Capture Storage project in the EU

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Upcoming events

Smart Cities Marketplace Matchmaking Event



date

21/03/2023



venue

Online



Registration

[Register](#)

[more](#)

Smart Readiness Indicator - 3rd plenary meeting



date

22/03/2023



venue

Brussels

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Investors Dialogues on Energy: Electricity Market Design



date

28/03/2023



venue

Online

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Cities on the Frontline of the Energy Crisis: the Covenant of Mayors Europe 2023 Conference



date

30/03/2023



venue

Brussels

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Third meeting of the Equality Platform for the energy sector



date

20/04/2023

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European Sustainable Energy Week 2023



date

20/06/2023 - 22/06/2023



venue

Brussels and online

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Latest studies and publications

Overview of heating and cooling - Perceptions, markets and regulatory frameworks for decarbonisation

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ENTEC - Study on energy storage

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Technical assistance to assess the potential of renewable liquid and gaseous transport fuels of non-biological origin as well as recycled carbon fuels

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BRIDGE Regulation working group - Annual report 2021

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Foresight study on the worldwide developments in advancing fusion energy, including the small scale private initiatives

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Environmental radioactivity in the European Community 2012-2014

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Public consultations

Priority list for the development of gas network codes and guidelines for 2023 (and beyond)



Deadline

19/04/2023

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New product priorities for Ecodesign for Sustainable Products



Deadline

25/04/2023

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