

Background

In a partnership, **Egmont Royal Institute for International Relations** and the **Development Group** are organising a series of Symposiums and an International High Level Conference that are taking place in Brussels in 2013.

The intense discussions during the different events organised in 2012 (Expert Seminars and Conference) showed that many questions related to the EU Energy Transition require further in-depth debates and analysis. Therefore, the up-coming events are focussing on the multifaceted challenge of the European Energy Transition towards a low carbon economy, addressing the following key issues related to the transition:

1st Symposium: The completion of the energy internal market by 2014: feasible or illusory? (21st Feb. 2013)

2nd Symposium: What external dimension for the EU energy transition - Which role for fossil fuels? (16th April 2013)

International High Level Conference: Beyond the 2020 horizon: Moving towards a common EU energy policy by 2030 (10th June 2013)

3rd Symposium: How to finance the transition towards a low-carbon economy and the required energy infrastructures? (Oct. 2013)

4th Symposium: How to foster innovation in a fast changing energy landscape? (Dec. 2013)

Egmont and the Development Group aim at setting an intense debate at EU level bringing together the views of the industry and other energy stakeholders from Brussels and beyond with those of EU decision makers.

Programme

In light of the conclusions of the European Council of May 22nd 2013, the Green Paper on the EU post-2020 energy and climate policy framework released by the European Commission in March 2013, and the EU Energy Roadmap released in 2011, this High Level Conference will focus on the future of the European energy policy framework, and look concretely at what could potentially be the next climate and energy targets for 2030.

09.00 - 09.15 **Welcome address: Egmont Institute & Development Group**

09.15 - 09.45 **Keynote address - Main challenges of a common European energy policy**
Herman Van ROMPUY, President of the European Council

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09.45 - 11.15 **Session 1: What are the key challenges and obstacles to the development of a European energy policy: lessons from the 2020 EU energy strategy**

Speakers:

- Philip LOWE, Director-General, DG Energy, European Commission
- Dr Hans BUENTING, CEO, RWE Innogy GmbH
- Giovanni BRIANZA, Head of Strategic Planning and M. & A., Edison S.p.a.
- Dr Jayesh PARMAR, Partner, Baringa Partners

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11.15 - 11.45 **Coffee break**

11.45 - 13.15 **Session 2: What should be the design of the 2030 EU energy policy framework?**

Speakers:

- Edouard SAUVAGE, Member of Executive Committee, Director of Strategy, GDF Suez
- Reinhard MITSCHKE, CEO, NABUCCO Gas Pipeline International
- Josche MUTH, Secretary General of EREC - the European Renewable Energy Council
- Andreas GOERGEN, President of Energy Sector, South West Europe, Siemens AG

Chair: Sami ANDOURA, Senior Research Fellow, EGMONT Institute & Notre Europe - Jacques Delors Institute

13.15 - 14.15 **Lunch**