

**GENERAL POLICY GUIDELINE  
ROADMAP ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CERTAIN DEADLINES  
OF COUNCIL DIRECTIVE 2009/119/EC IN THE ENERGY COMMUNITY**

**THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL OF THE ENERGY COMMUNITY**

Having regard to Article 47 of the Treaty establishing the Energy Community ("the Treaty") and item VI of the Procedural Act 2006/01/MC-EnC on the Adoption of Internal of the Rules of Procedure of the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community;

Having regard to Ministerial Council Decision No. 2008/03/MC-EnC of 11 December 2008 concerning the implementation to the oil sector of certain provisions of the Treaty;

Having regard to Ministerial Council Decision 2012/03/MC-EnC of 19 October 2012 on the implementation of Council Directive 2009/119/EC in the Energy Community;

Whereas Article 1 of Ministerial Council Decision 2012/03/MC-EnC obliges the Contracting Parties to implement Council Directive 2009/119/EC of 14 September 2009 by 1 January 2023;

Whereas the implementation of Council Directive 2009/119/EC of 14 September 2009 is a process that will require designing and establishing the legislative basis, creating the necessary data reporting system and making operational a system for maintaining ready, and releasing when necessary, emergency oil stocks;

Whereas after the adoption of Directive 2009/119/EC, the Contracting Parties were expected to bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary for compliance;

Whereas the progress in transposing the Directive varies substantially across the Contracting Parties;

Whereas the investment and coordination needed to ensure that Contracting Parties can comply with the overall deadline by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 require a structure for a gradual implementation as it is envisaged in Article 2 of Ministerial Council Decision 2012/03/MC-EnC;

Taking note of the proposals of the Secretariat as endorsed by the Permanent High Level Group of the Energy Community on 22<sup>th</sup> of June 2016;

**THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL ADOPTS**

This General Policy Guideline which represent the political consensus reached in the Ministerial Council concerning a Roadmap on Implementation of the Certain Deadlines of the Council Directive 2009/119/EC in the Energy Community:

1. The Contracting Parties are invited to communicate to the Secretariat by 31 March 2017 the text of the main provisions of the draft national law which they intend to adopt to transpose Directive 2009/119/EC and the Action Plan on the Establishment of Oil Stocks.
2. All Contracting Parties are invited bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 31 December 2017.
3. For the purpose of fulfilling the data reporting requirements under Annex I – IV of the Directive, all Contracting Parties are invited:
  - Begin regular monthly participation in the submissions of the JODI Oil Questionnaire before 1 January 2018.
  - Communicate to the Secretariat by 31 March 2018 the proposed legal basis and Action Plan for collecting all oil data necessary to submit the Monthly Oil Statistics (MOS) Questionnaire.

Done in Sarajevo, on 14 October 2016

For the Ministerial Council

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Presidency