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Please be invited to this series of Masterclasses held by investment professionals from Energy Investment Management and organized by the Energy Community Secretariat for its Summer School Alumni. When following this series you will gain a better understanding of strategy development, project development and project financing in the changing energy markets.

About the topics

Energy Business Portfolio strategy

The energy transition brings forward exciting opportunities for new entrepreneurs as well as for businesses that aim to diversify their investment portfolios. As EU policies are urging not only businesses but whole countries to look for sustainable energy sources, the cleantech industry is booming. In this Masterclass you will gain valuable insights on how businesses can expand their portfolios by investing in cleantech as well as how Eastern European businesses can benefit from the current energy transition climate.

Energy Asset Development

Solar, wind, hydro and energy storage projects are gaining momentum all across the world, creating tens of thousands of jobs for the people building and operating them. But where do such projects come from in the first place?

Project development includes, next to the technology aspects, also commercial and location aspects. This demands collaboration between many parties, such as lawyers, businessmen, environmental specialists and local government officials. In this Masterclass you will learn how to develop renewable energy assets, the project lifecycles, different asset categories and look at case studies.

Energy Asset Project finance

Financing energy projects is one of the key challenges in the business. New technologies involve new business cases, which require interesting, attractive - but also at times more risky-financing strategies. Lately, there has been a surge of sustainable energy projects which are attractive in some of the most developed countries. As more countries develop the need for producing sustainable, green energy, more knowledge is needed on how these new projects can be financed.

Which procedures are relevant for financing large-scale energy projects? How is this different to conventional projects and innovative sustainable solutions? Which parties are involved in realising energy projects and how are the (financial) responsibilities distributed amongst them? You will know after our Masterclass.

About the masterclass team

Dirk Buschle (German, moderator)

Joined the Energy Community Secretariat in 2007 and is currently the Deputy Director. He has written many publications and articles on European law, energy law, communication law, competition and State aid law. Mr. Buschle holds a PhD degree from the University of St. Galen (2004). He has worked as visiting professor and lecturer at several European universities.

Leon Pulles (Dutch)

Has more than 25 years experience in the energy industry and has been responsible for the development, financing and realization of an extended range of energy concepts (Biomass, Wind, Solar, Hydro, Gas, Coal, Lignite, Waste, Grid).

Csinszka Bene (Hungarian)

Is an energy policy consultant advising public bodies in the EU, with experience in energy sourcing and investment management. She is a researcher of the energy transition in Eastern Europe and managing the young professional's network 'European energy transition: East meets West'.

Denisa Kasa (Albanian)

Is an investment advisor and researcher at Energy Investment Management. Denisa is also the program manager of the East European Energy Transition Entrepreneurial Opportunities Program. Previously working as the President of Erasmus Centre for Entrepreneurship Students she has valuable expertise as it pertains to the start-ups and scale-ups, in the cleantech ecosystem.

About Energy Investment Management

Energy Investment Management is an investment management and advisory boutique focused on energy transition assets and cleantech ventures located in The Netherlands. Energy Investment Management is facilitating a young professional's network 'European energy transition: East meets West' and developing a Program East European Energy Transition Entrepreneurial Opportunities. (www.linkedin.com/company/energy-investment-management-by)

About Energy Community

The Energy Community is an international organisation which brings together the European Union and its neighbours to create an integrated pan-European energy market. The key objective of the Energy Community is to extend the EU internal energy market rules and principles to countries in South East Europe, the Black Sea region and beyond on the basis of a legally binding framework. The Energy Community Summer School was established by the Energy Community Secretariat in 2015 and it is a training program in energy-related topics, allowing the participants to gain sound knowledge and understanding of development of energy policy and regulation of the energy sectors. The approach is a multi-disciplinary programme, ranging from science to governance. While the school is focused on the situation in South Eastern and Eastern Europe with priority, it aims to take into account the broader geographical context in Europe and possibly beyond.

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