

5th Energy and Climate Technical Working Group - Workshop on NECPs Regional Consultation & Workshop on Renewables in Transport by 2030

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Location: WebEx meeting (online!)

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Welcome remarks	9.00-9.10	ENC
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1. National Energy and Climate Plans – Recent developments

The Energy Community Secretariat will give a short overview of recent developments of the work of the Secretariat and give information on different processes, which support the development of NECPs. In addition, Contracting Parties will have the possibility to report on their National Energy and Climate Plan drafting processes.

Recent developments in the Energy Community	09.10-09.20	Energy Community Secretariat
EU perspective	09:20-09:30	European Commission – DG ENER
Extending the modelling capacities of the EU	09.30-09.50	European Commission - DG ENER
Roundtable discussion	09.50-10.30	Contracting Parties and Observers

2. National Energy and Climate Plans – Research, Innovation and Competitiveness in the energy sector

NECPs have to address all five dimensions of the Energy Union, one being Research, Innovation and Competitiveness. While innovation policy, traditionally, tends to focus mainly on science and technology, fighting

climate change requires a transformation of the entire socio-economic system, including new business models and infrastructural innovation. What is the EU approach towards this? What are the possible options available to support innovation and competitiveness in the EnC CPs? What best practices can be learnt from EU Member States' NECPs?

EU perspective	10.30-10.50	European Commission - DG ENER
Green Innovation in the Energy Sector	10.50-11.10	Global Green Growth Institute
Roundtable discussion	11.10-11.30	Contracting Parties and Observers

3. National Energy and Climate Plans – Energy Poverty

Adequate warmth, cooling, lighting and the energy to power appliances are essential services needed to guarantee a decent standard of living and citizens' health. Energy poor households experience inadequate levels of these essential energy services due to a combination of high-energy expenditure, low household incomes, inefficient buildings and appliances, and specific household energy needs. The legal basis for the NECPs, the Governance Regulation, requires governments to address aspects of energy poverty within their national plans. What challenges Contracting Parties face, what solutions can be provided and how these aspects can be included in the NECPs.

Energy poverty	11.30-11.45	Energy Community Secretariat
Guidance for Policymakers	11.45-12:05	Institute for European Energy and Climate Policy and University of Manchester
Roundtable discussion	12:05-12:25	Contracting Parties and Observers

4. Brainstorming on other open issues under NECPs

According to the Energy Community Recommendations and Policy Guidelines, the National Energy and Climate Plans should be submitted by the end of 2020. Therefore, this session aims at gathering urgent topics and outstanding issues to be discussed at the upcoming Energy and Climate Committee and to wrap-up discussions held during the Energy and Climate Technical Working Group.

Brainstorming on next steps	12.25-12.40	Contracting Parties and Observers
Wrap-up	12.40-12.55	ENC

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The legal basis for the National Energy and Climate Plans, the Governance Regulation, requires addressing the regional aspects of the plans. It calls out specific topics relevant for regional consultation including possible objectives and targets and proposed policies and measures that might have an impact on neighbouring Contracting Parties / EU Member States. Related consultations should account for all relevant dimensions of the Energy Union and cover aspects related to decarbonization and renewable energy, energy efficiency, energy security, energy market and research, innovation and competitiveness. Sectoral experts of the Energy Community Secretariat will facilitate the workshop.

The planned workshop aims to kick-start and facilitate the discussion among Energy Community Contracting Parties and EU Member States to be held at their own initiatives and/or at the meetings of the Energy Community Secretariat. During the workshop, Contracting Parties will be invited to list the topics of their specific interest for regional consultations and to agree with other Contracting Parties / EU Member States on when and under what format these are to be discussed. There will be two different sessions each dedicated to a focused discussion among neighbouring Contracting Parties / EU Member States. However, Contracting Parties are also free to join the respective other session. **Detailed topics potentially relevant for upcoming regional consultations are shared in an accompanying background document, which is meant to support Contracting Parties in preparing their intervention.**

1. Western Balkans Contracting Parties

Since April 2020, the German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ), in cooperation with the Energy Community Secretariat, facilitated multiple discussion rounds among technical experts involved in developing the analytical basis of the NECPs. However, there is further coordination needed beyond this technical level including on key issues of cross-border relevance and on the impact of national plans on regional cooperation, in order to ensure that challenges are tackled in the most secure and cost-effective way.

Introduction		Energy Community Secretariat
Western Balkans	14.30-16.00	Contracting Parties and EU Member States

2. Eastern Contracting Parties

This session will give the opportunity for Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine to discuss regional cooperation aspects with their EU Member State neighbours.

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Eastern Contracting Parties	16.00-17.30	Contracting Parties and EU Member States

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All of the Contracting Parties reached only 1-2% share of the energy from renewable sources in transport sector, despite having the goal as of 10% by 2020, as required by Directive 2009/28/EC, a part of the mandatory acquis. The legal framework towards 2030 is still not adopted for the Energy Community, but it could be assumed that principles already mandatory in the EU will be adjusted and adopted for the Energy Community as well. Energy used in transport sector, and its sustainability will become bigger and bigger challenge, having in mind lagging so much behind the required implementation and tremendous underachievement of the goals (unlike some other sectors). Thus, the Energy Community Secretariat launched in December 2019 the Study on Modalities to Foster Use of Renewable Energy Sources in the Transport Sector, with the aim to support the Contracting Parties in addressing those challenges and overcoming gaps. The Study also should help experts and policy makers in the processes of defining the 2030 targets and action plans to reach those targets.

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Introduction	09.15	Energy Community Secretariat
Modalities to Foster Use of Renewable Energy Sources in the Transport Sector Scope of the Study, methodology and approach Transport sector in the Contracting Parties – Overview Best practices in the EU – efficient by 2020 Overview of RES-T technologies Recommendations to the Energy Community Contracting Parties / Roadmaps to 2030	09.30-11.00	Matthias Altman, LBST (Team leader of the Consultant Consortium)
Questions & Answers	11.00-11.30	Contracting Parties
Closure of the Workshop	11.30	Energy Community Secretariat