

CEDEC BRIEF NEWS - MAY 2013

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EUROPEAN COUNCIL - ENERGY PRIORITIES FOR EUROPE

The European Council took place on 22 May where the President Barroso made a presentation on energy priorities for Europe in which he called for swift implementation of a number of proposals on the table http://ec.europa.eu/commission 201 0-

2014/president/news/archives/2013/ 05/pdf/energy_en.pdf

The European Council also agreed on a series of guidelines in four fields which together should allow the EU to foster its competitiveness and respond to the challenge of high prices and cost : urgent completion of a fully functioning interconnected internal energy market: facilitation of the required investments in energy; diversification Europe's of supplies; and enhanced energy efficiency. See conclusions: http://www.consilium.europa.eu/u eDocs/cms Data/docs/pressData/e n/ec/137197.pdf

EUROPEAN COMMISSION – ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES AND INNOVATION

The European Commission has adopted, 2on May, a communication on energy technologies and innovation to enable the European Union to have a world-class technology innovation sector fit for coping with the challenge up to 2020 and beyond. Among the measures proposed : the development of an Integrated Roadmap addressing

the energy system as a whole; measures along the entire innovation chain by the Strategic Energy Technology (SET) Plan; the design of Action Plans for Member States.

http://ec.europa.eu/energy/technology/strategy/doc/comm_2013_025 3_en.pdf

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - RENEWABLE ENERGY

The European Parliament has adopted, in plenary session, on 21st May, the report of general rapporteur Herbert Reul on current challenges and opportunities for renewable energy in the European internal energy market.

CEDEC has contributed to the debate through several amendments that were taken into account in the final text.

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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT – INTERNAL ENERGY MARKET

The draft report of the general rapporteur Jerzy Buzek on the internal Energy Market was examined, on 24 April, in ITRE Committee. The vote has been postponed to 20 June

The adoption in plenary session is expected in July 2013.

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FLORENCE SCHOOL OF REGULATION – THINK STUDIES - RETHINKING ROLE AND REGULATION OF EUROPEAN DSOs

The THINK project is run by the Florence School of Regulation and financed by the European Commission. It has resulted in the publication of 2 studies : one on active demand response, and one on the future roles and regulation of distribution system operators

CEDEC has contributed actively, along the process of the study. Although the study is in general positive on future roles and regulatory framework for DSOs, there are some particularly critical points concerning the unbundling of DSOs..

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THE LEADING SMART GRID SHOW IN EUROPE

SG PARIS 2013, the benchmark trade show for the Smart Grids sector, held in the city of Paris, will open its doors from 4 till 6 June 2013.

The congress will tackle the sector's hottest topics, examining key issues that affect the industry both up- and down-stream of smart meters: production, transmission and distribution of electricity on the one hand and consumer services on the other.

1750 people attended last year's show, actively following the 3-day event at which 220 speakers shared their expertise and 50 exhibitors presented their skills and innovations.

, Mr. Gert De Block, General Secretary of CEDEC, will participate as speaker for the Round Table 2 (Regulatory news from France and Europe) on Tuesday 4 June, at 11.45 am. http://www.smartgridsparis.com/

AGENDA

- CEDEC Working Group Energy and Climate: 30 May 2013
- CEER 2013 Annual Conference on Energy Customers: 19 June 2013
- EUSEW 2013 Energy Technologies and Inovation: 27 June 2013
- CEDEC Working Group Network Codes for electricity: 3rd July 2013
- Electricity Forum (in Milan): 12 & 13 November 2013
- Citizen's Energy Forum (in London): 16 & 17 December 2013