

# CEDEC NEWSLETTER

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## CEDEC MEETS VICE-PRESIDENT SEFCOVIC, COMMISSIONER ARIAS-CAÑETE AND DIRECTOR-GENERAL RISTORI

Last month, a CEDEC delegation had the opportunity to meet the three key policy makers in the EU energy sector.

On **21 May**, a meeting with DG ENER Director-General **Dominique Ristori** was a good chance for CEDEC to raise topics such as energy efficiency targets, consumer engagement and energy security.

On **28 May**, Vice-President **Maroš Šefčovič** received CEDEC President Rudi Oss and Secretary-General Gert De Block to discuss the main points of the Energy Union, in particular

energy security and the upcoming market design initiative, and to highlight the importance of local initiatives to EU security of supply.

On **18 June**, a CEDEC delegation formed by President Rudi Oss, Vice-President Andreas Feicht and Secretary-General Gert De Block was received by Commissioner for Energy and Climate **Miguel Arias-Cañete**. The aim of the meeting was to draw attention to the important role of local actors, in the framework of the current debates on market design and retail markets.

## EUROPEAN COMMISSION: SUMMER PACKAGE

The European Commission has announced that the summer package on energy will be published on 15 July 2015. It will include a **Green Paper on electricity market design** expected to address points such as security of supply and capacity remuneration mechanisms, flexibility, TSO-DSO

cooperation, recommendations on DSO roles and distribution tariffs, self-production and governance.

The package will also include a **communication on retail markets**, and a **paper on RES self-consumption**.

## EUROPEAN COUNCIL: CONCLUSIONS 8 JUNE

Meeting in Luxembourg on 8 June, Energy Ministers of the EU's 28 countries said that the aim of the Energy Union is to build a **flexible and consumer-orientated European market for energy**, ensuring transparent pricing and maximizing competition.

They also discussed how to drive investments, how to reduce EU's energy dependency and how to increase its energy security.

[Council conclusions](#)



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### EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: ITRE COMMITTEE TOWARDS A EUROPEAN ENERGY UNION

On 28 May, rapporteur Marek Józef Gróbarczyk presented his draft report concerning the Commission's framework strategy for the creation of an Energy Union. The report, called "Towards a European Energy Union", addresses several dimensions of the strategy (such as energy security and internal energy market) and puts a prominent emphasis on renewable energy and energy efficiency.

The climate policy aspects of the Energy Union framework strategy will be dealt with by the ENVI Committee, which will deliver an opinion as an associated Committee.

In the ITRE committee, more than 1000 amendments were filed and compromises will now be negotiated by the political parties.

The [draft report](#) will be voted on in October 2015.

### EUROPEAN COMMISSION FORA

During the Gas Forum, held in Madrid from 21 to 22 April, CEDEC was represented by Gert De Block and Joost Gottmer (Chair of CEDEC Gas Working Group) and drew attention to the role of DSOs in smartening up gas infrastructure.

[Conclusions Madrid Forum](#)

On 4-5 June, Gert De Block attended the Electricity Forum in Florence. CEDEC raised the issue of the important role of DSOs in Stakeholder Committees on implementation of Network Codes, and the need for a level playing field in generation. [Conclusions Florence Forum](#)

### ACER PRESENTS THE DRAFT 2016 WORK PROGRAMME OUTLINE

An outline of the [Work Programme](#) was presented by ACER Director Alberto Pototschnig to all interested parties at a public workshop held in Ljubljana on 3 June.

Participants were able to express their views and share their opinions on which areas the agency should focus its effort on next year.

### MEETINGS & EVENTS AGENDA

- CEDEC Working Group Smart Grids: 2 July 2015

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**Utility Week**  
Connecting the smart community

3-5 November 2015  
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Act Local**

15 October 2015, 9:00-17:30h,  
Evening reception on 14 October