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### GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR A REINFORCED COOPERATION BETWEEN DSOs AND TSOs

DSO/TSO cooperation is becoming more and more important as the European electricity system moves towards a more renewables-based system, decentralized generation and the involvement of increasingly active customers. The general guidelines set

the basis for ongoing and future cooperation between DSOs and TSOs on data management, active-/reactive power management, and coordinated network development planning.

[Download the position paper](#)

### JOINT COMMUNIQUE TO THE UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE IN PARIS

CEDEC, EDSO for Smart Grids, ENTSO-E, Eurelectric, Europacable, EWEA, FOSG, GEODE, RGI, SEDC, Solar Power Europe have communicated their active and concrete support for ambitious climate goals and the energy transition.

They urge the 196 parties to the COP21 as well as the European Union to agree on a strong climate agenda.

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### EUROPEAN COMMISSION: THE STATE OF THE ENERGY UNION 2015

The State of the Energy Union Report, published on 18 November for the first time, looks at progress made over the last nine months and identifies key action areas for 2016 and provides policy conclusions at Member State, regional and European level. Several reports are published alongside the State of the Energy Union

among which a [communication on the state of the Energy Union](#), an [energy efficiency report](#), [energy consumer trends](#), a [report on the implementation of the EU Energy Security Strategy](#) and a [public consultation on the future revision of the renewable energy directive](#).

### EC INFRASTRUCTURE FORUM (COPENHAGEN): A FIRST STEP

The new Infrastructure Forum took place on 9 & 10 November in Copenhagen. High level representatives of the EU institutions, EU governments, network operators, industry and other stakeholders launched the Energy Infrastructure Forum as an annual event in Copenhagen. The two-day conference

featured four sessions, covering gas, electricity, regional cooperation and financing. Contrary to the initially announced plans for this new Forum, the integrated DSO perspective (electricity, natural gas, heating) was completely neglected in the final program.

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## CEDEC NEWSLETTER

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### ELECTRICITY NETWORK CODES AND FRAMEWORK GUIDELINES (FWGL): STATE OF PLAY

#### **Guideline Transmission System Operation (GL SO):**

A new version of the GL SO and annexes have been made available by the Commission to the Cross-border Committee members. This version will be informally discussed a first time with the Member States representatives on 11 December.

#### **FWGL on harmonised transmission tariff structures:**

ACER published on 2<sup>nd</sup> December the conclusions of the electricity transmission tariff structures scoping activity, undertaken during 2015.

After considering CEPA's findings and recommendations and other input, including the "Frontier Economics" report, stakeholder feedback and in consultation with the European Commission and ENTSO-E, ACER concludes that the need for a Framework Guideline and subsequent Network Code is not evident at the moment.

### ENERGY COUNCIL ON 26 NOVEMBER 2015: OUTCOME

EU Energy Ministers, European Commission Vice-President Maroš Šefčovič and European Commissioner for energy and climate action, Miguel Arias Cañete, adopted on 26 November [conclusions](#) on the governance system of the Energy Union.

Ministers also welcomed the Commission's State of the Energy Union publication released the week before.

Other topics discussed at the Energy Council meeting included the Commission's proposals for energy efficiency labelling, energy market design and a new deal for consumers adopted this summer and the upcoming United Nations climate summit.

### EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: TOWARDS A EUROPEAN ENERGY UNION

The ITRE Committee has adopted on 10 November an important own-initiative report entitled "Towards a European Energy Union". The report outlines the Parliament's position on all major pillars of the Commission framework strategy such as security and diversification of supply, internal market, energy efficiency, decarbonisation and research and innovation.

[Report](#)

### MEETINGS & EVENTS - AGENDA

- CEDEC Working Group Smart Grids: 13 January 2016
- CEDEC Working Group Trading: 19 January 2016
- Covenant of Mayors / CEDEC Webinar on public lighting: 19 January 2016
- CEER Annual Conference: 26 January 2016
- CEDEC Working Group Gas & Network codes Electricity: 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016
- CEDEC Working Group Consumers: 10 March 2016