

THE VIENNA ENERGY SECURITY DIALOGUE

25 October 2023, 09:30-18:00

Location: Federation of Austrian Industries (Schwarzenbergplatz 4, 1030 Vienna)

LOOKING AHEAD: SHAPING THE POST-CRISIS GLOBAL ENERGY MARKET(S)

Jointly organized by the OSCE and the World Energy Council Austria, the sixth edition of the Vienna Energy Security Dialogue will be dedicated to discussing the shifts in the global supply chains of energy, technologies, and critical minerals in light of the energy transition and the continued war against Ukraine. The reshuffling of international energy trade has revealed new avenues for energy partnerships, while new policy responses are being shaped around the race for dominance in the evolving global energy market. Meanwhile, system vulnerabilities to man-made threats and climate-induced risks are becoming a key concern in the energy community.

Gathering over 200 decision makers and energy experts from companies, politics, academia and civil society, this year's edition features one high-level session and three expert panels on:

- Strategic outlook: forging effective policies and partnerships
- Increasing resilience and security: reducing energy system vulnerabilities
- Industries at crossroads: balancing the energy trilemma

The event will be held in English.

Audience: The event will be open to the delegations of OSCE participating States and Partners for Co-operation, the OSCE executive structures, including field operations, as well as members and partners of the World Energy Council, Ernst & Young and the Federation of Austrian Industries. Representatives of international organizations, expert academics, business representatives and non-governmental organizations with relevant expertise are also invited to this event.

Registration and participation: Interested participants are requested to confirm their attendance by registering online through the following link by 23 October 2023.

Link: https://eventmaker.at/wec_austria/6th_vienna_energy_security_dialogue_vesd



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DRAFT PROGRAMME

09:30 – 10:00 Registration, Breakfast and coffee

10:00 – 10:15 Welcoming remarks

- **Ms. Sylvie Goyet**, Deputy Co-ordinator / Head, Environmental Activities, OSCE Secretariat
- **Dr. Michael Strugl**, Chairman of the Board, VERBUND, and President, World Energy Council Austria

10:15 – 11:00 SETTING THE SCENE – KEYNOTES

- **Ms. Rana Adib**, Executive Director, REN21
- **Univ.-Prof. DI Karl Rose**, Professor for Strategic Management -Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz, Former Chief Strategist - ADNOC and SHELL, Former Senior Director, Policy & Scenarios at the World Energy Council
- **Dr. Stephan Sharma**, Chairman of the Board, Burgenland Energie AG
- **Dr. Irene Giner-Reichl**, Ambassador ret.; President, Global Forum for Sustainable Energy; Co-founder, Global Women's Network for the Energy Transition

11:00 – 12:15 Panel I: STRATEGIC OUTLOOK: FORGING EFFECTIVE ENERGY POLICIES AND PARTNERSHIPS

Topics:

- Lessons from energy crises
- Strategic energy autonomy as a new policy goal
- Exploring new partnerships in clean energy

Speakers

- **Ms. Judith Neyer**, Head of Strategic Energy Politics, Austrian Federal Ministry for Climate Action
- **Mr. Dusko Stjepanovic**, Head of Green Banking, Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP)
- **Ms. Elizabeth Press**, Director, Planning and Programme Support, IRENA
- **Mr. Andrei Covatariu**, Independent Energy Expert, Co-Chair of UNECE Task Force on Digitalisation in Energy
- **Dr. Saule Zholdayakova**, Acting Head of Department of Alternative Energy / Head of Hydrogen Technologies Research Laboratory, KMG Engineering LLP

Moderation: Mr. Daniel Kroos, Principal Specialist, Sustainable Energy for All

12:15 – 13:30 Lunch Break

13:30 – 14:45 Panel II: INCREASING RESILIENCE AND SECURITY: REDUCING
ENERGY SYSTEM VULNERABILITIES

Topics:

- Ensuring energy infrastructure reliability in the energy transition
- Addressing man-made and natural threats to energy infrastructure
- Reshaping the energy sector to address and mitigate the effects of climate change

Speakers

- **Mr. Oleh Kuchmai**, Head of Division of Critical Infrastructure Protection, Ministry of Energy of Ukraine
- **Dr. Michael Weixelbraun**, Head of Asset Operation and Maintenance, Austrian Power Grid AG
- **Dr. Eamonn Lannoye**, Managing Director of EPRI Europe, Senior Program Manager, Transmission Operations and Planning, Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)
- **Mr. Roman Tobler**, Senior Manager, Cyber Security, Ernst & Young
- **Ms. Roberta Boscolo**, Climate and Energy Scientific Officer, World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
- **Prof. Stefan Ulreich**, Professor of Energy Economics, Hochschule Biberach

Moderation: Ms. Sylvie Goyet, Deputy Co-ordinator/Head of Environmental Activities, OSCE Secretariat

14:45 – 15:15 Coffee Break

15:15 – 16:30 Panel III: INDUSTRIES AT CROSSROADS: BALANCING THE
ENERGY TRILEMMA

Topics:

- Diversifying and securing clean energy supply
- Designing subsidies schemes enabling industries to lead energy transitions
- Balancing global trade and industrial competition

Speakers

- **Mag. Johannes Mayer**, Head of Competition and Regulation, E-Control
- **Mr. John Roberts**, Energy Security Specialist, Methinks
- **Ms. Petra Schwager**, Chief of the Division on Energy Technologies and Industrial Applications, UNIDO
- **Mr. Ronald Steenblik**, Former (retired) OECD Special Counselor for Fossil Fuel Subsidy Reform; Senior Technical Advisor, SJES Programme, Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO)
- **Mr. Maximilian Mauthe**, Expert, Climate, Energy & Environment, Federation of Austrian Industries

Moderation: Mr. Ivo Wakounig, Senior Advisor, World Energy Council Austria

16:30 – 16:45 Concluding remarks

- **Dr. Robert Kobau**, Secretary General, World Energy Council Austria

16:45 – 18:00 Aperitif