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9:20-10:00

REGISTRATION AND MORNING COFFEE

10:00

CONFERENCE OPENING



Arvils Ašeradens, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economics

How much new energy production does Latvia really need? How to balance energy sector's willingness to grow with the needs of customers?

10:20-12:00

OPENING PLENARY SESSION AND ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

TOWARDS SINGLE MARKET: DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGIONAL NATURAL GAS AND ELECTRICITY MARKET IN BALTIC COUNTRIES

- ✓ *Current state of affairs in integration process of the regional natural gas market in Baltic countries and Finland, future role of natural gas in the region*

Speaker:

Jānis Patmalnieks, Deputy State Secretary for energy, **Ministry of Economic Affairs**

Current state of affairs in integration process of the regional natural gas market in Baltic countries and Finland, future role of natural gas in the region



Panelists:

Rolands Irklis, Chairman of the Board, **Public Utilities Commission**

Liberalization of the natural gas market, the current situation, and future prospects

- *The road map to the natural gas market opening (preparation of legal acts);*
- *Approval of new gas transmission tariffs and their current impact on the natural gas market;*
- *Characteristics of natural gas products and their prices;*
- *The situation in the natural gas market soon after its opening;*
- *The vision for the future – the establishment of the Baltic regional gas market, the global forecast for the future gas prices*

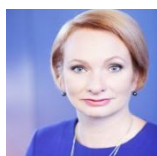
Aigars Kalvītis, Chairman of the Board, **Latvijas Gāze**

Jānis Patmalnieks, Deputy State Secretary for energy, **Ministry of Economic Affairs**

Ants Noot, Chairman of the Board, Executive Director, **Esti Gaas**

Mantas Mikalajūnas, CEO of **UAB Lietuvos Dujų Tiekimas**

Zane Kotāne, Member of the Board, **Conexus Baltic Grid**



12:00-12:30

COFFEE BREAK

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12:30-14:20

PLENARY SESSION 2

CROSSROADS: LATVIA'S FUTURE POLICY REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY (RES) AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

- ✓ *Development of RES in Latvia: current situation and future perspectives in the context of energy market development*
- ✓ *Changes in EU RES-E support policy. New regulation in Latvia. EU funds to support energy efficiency and RES. Implementation of specific goal of support 4.3.1.*
- ✓ *Development of on-shore wind projects in Latvia. Prospective of off-shore wind*
- ✓ *Development of PV solar batteries in Latvia for households*
- ✓ *Photovoltaic solar panels as the electricity supply solution for households*
- ✓ *Main challenges related to the development of the heating market in the context of increasing energy efficiency and developments in the electricity market*
- ✓ *From fossil fuels to renewables in district heating*
- ✓ *Projects, aimed to improve energy efficiency and increase share of RES in district heating (bioenergy, solar and geothermal energy)*
- ✓ *Liberalisation of district heating sector. Competitive market of heat*

Speakers:

Alda Ozola, Deputy State Secretary for Environmental Protection, **Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of Latvia (VARAM)**

Dzintars Kauliņš, Director for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency, **Ministry of Economic Affairs**

Current situation in Latvia with development of RES, and development perspectives in context of energy market development and changes in EU support policy

Panelists:

Alda Ozola, Deputy State Secretary for Environmental Protection, **Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of Latvia (VARAM)**

Dzintars Kauliņš, Director for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency, **Ministry of Economic Affairs**

Jānis Irbe, Chairman of the Board, **Latvian Renewable Energy federation (LAEF)**

Raimonds Ķeirāns, Chairman of the Board, **Latvian Energy Efficiency Association (LATEA)**



14:20-15:00

LUNCH & NETWORKING

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15:00-16:40

PLENARY SESSION 3

TOMORROW'S ENERGY: DEVELOPMENT OF CONNECTED HOME AND SMART CITIES AS A DRIVER OF ENERGY MARKET DEVELOPMENT

- ✓ *Smart users and aggregators as a part of demand response energy services: turning end-consumer into active and responsible market participant*
- ✓ *European Smart Cities – recent key developments*
- ✓ *The evolution of the IoT*
- ✓ *The Connected Home - Data Flow & Analysis and implications for Utilities*
- ✓ *Integrating comprehensive Energy Management solutions into Smart Home Systems*
- ✓ *Role of Energy Management in Smart Home solutions*
- ✓ *Integrating Smart Products and consumer IoT into Utility programs*



Speakers:

Timurs Safiuljins, Director of **Riga Energy Agency**



Panelists:

Olga Bogdanova, Director of Energy Market and Infrastructure Department, **Ministry of Economic Affairs**

Timurs Safiuljins, Director of **Riga Energy Agency**



Indrek Ruiso, CEO, **Eliko**

16:40

CLOSING REMARKS. CLOSE OF THE FORUM

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