

CONFERENCE

Energy Diplomacy and the Integrated European Climate and Energy Policy

organized jointly by the *Diplomatic Institute to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs* of the Republic of Bulgaria and the *Netherlands Institute of International Relations Clingendael*, with the kind cooperation of the *Energy Observer Magazine*

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Sofia Hall, Grand Hotel Sofia

PROGRAMME

09.15 - 09.30 h - Registration

- **Opening Session** – moderated by **Mr. Dimitar Sabev**, Director of the Diplomatic Institute

09.30 h - Addresses by:

Dr. Rumiana Jeleva, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria

H.E. Mr. Paul Beijer, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Sweden, EU Presidency

H.E. Mr. Karel van Kesteren, Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

First Session

10.00 h. – **Bulgaria and the EU Energy Policy**

Introductory speech and moderation by **Dr. Peter Poptchev**, Ambassador at large for Energy Security and Climate Change, National Coordinator for Nabucco, MFA

Presentations:

- European Energy policy and the National Dimension – by **Mr. Jacques de Jong**, Senior Fellow, the Clingendael International Energy Program
- Government's Priorities in the Energy Sector – by **Mrs. Ivanka Dilovska**, Director of the Energy Strategy Directorate, Ministry of Economy, Energy and Tourism
- Challenges and risks for the Bulgarian energy in the context of the EU policy for energy and climate change – **Prof. Atanas Tasev**, Energy Expert
- Bulgarian nuclear energy and its contribution to climate change mitigation – by **Mr. Stanislav Georgiev**, Secretary of BULATOM (NGO)
- **Discussion**

11.15 h. – Coffee Break

Second Session

11.30 h – **Energy Security and Climate Change in the International Context**

Introductory Speech and moderation by **Dr. Zlatko Dimitroff**, Director of the International Law Directorate, MFA

Presentations:

- Gas, Geo-politics and the South Eastern European Region: an External View – **Mrs. Lucia van Geuns**, Deputy Director of the Clingendael International Energy Program
- Energy Cooperation in the Black Sea-Caspian Sea region – **Dr. Peter Poptchev**, MFA
- National policy on climate change and the Copenhagen Conference – **Mrs. Bistra Nikolova**, Ministry of Environment and Waters
- **Discussion**

13.00 h – Buffet - lunch

Workshops

14.15 h - Energy markets and regulation –**Mr. Jacques de Jong**, moderator and rapporteur
Sredec Hall

14.15 h - Transition to a Low carbon Energy system – **Mrs. Lucia van Geuns**, moderator and rapporteur
Serdica Hall

15.45 h – Coffee Break

Closing Session

16.00 h – Discussion of the results of the Workshops – **Dr. Peter Popchev**, moderator

- Rapporteur of Workshop 1
- Rapporteur of Workshop 2

- Closing remarks – **Mr. Dimitar Sabev**, **Mrs. Lucia van Geuns**, **Mr. Stanislav Kolev**
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17.00 h – End of the Conference