

International Conference on

The Role of Governments and International Organisations in Promoting Energy Security



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Organised by the Energy Charter Secretariat, the International Energy Agency and the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe



ANNOUNCEMENT

Energy Security is at the top of the international agenda, and this International Conference will address some key issues affecting cross-border flows of investment capital and energy across Eurasia.

The St Petersburg G8 Summit underlined that energy security is best assured by a strengthened partnership between energy producing and consuming countries, and stressed that open, transparent and competitive energy markets are the cornerstone for a common energy security strategy. The Summit also recognised that governments and relevant international organisations play an important role in this area, and expressed its support for the principles of the Energy Charter.

There are elements of the debate on energy security on which a general consensus is emerging – for example on the need for measures to improve the efficiency of energy use and to minimise its environmental impact. There are also areas on which governments – and international organisations – can have different perspectives, and where the consumers' desire for security of supply should be assessed alongside the producers' need for reliable income. In such areas there remains the challenge to find an appropriate balance of interest for different actors along the entire cross-border energy chain. The Conference will aim to support this process of consensus-building by examining three key issues: access to resources, access to transit infrastructure, and access to markets.

On the basis of presentations from representatives of governments, international organisations and state-owned and private energy companies, the Conference will aim to identify points of converging interest - and policies and instruments that can provide a constructive framework for international energy cooperation and enhanced energy security.

Participation

The Conference aims at bringing together representatives of governments, the energy industry and other stakeholders from Eurasia and from across the Atlantic. Attendance is free of charge, but the organisers reserve the right to restrict participation in line with capacity limits of the conference venue. Those interested to participate are invited to respond to the Energy Charter Secretariat by using the attached form (before 15 October 2006).

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

From 8:30	Registration
9:00	Welcome and Opening Statements
	Welcome: André Mernier, Secretary General, Energy Charter Secretariat
	Karel De Gucht, Foreign Minister of Belgium, OSCE Chairman-in-Office
	Henning Christophersen, Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference
	William C. Ramsay, Deputy Executive Director, International Energy Agency
9.30-11.15	Perspectives on the International Energy Scene after the G8 St Petersburg Summit Moderator: André Mernier, Secretary General, Energy Charter Secretariat

Views from governments:

Russian Federation:

Andrei Kondakov, G8 Sous-Sherpa, Head of the Economic Cooperation Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

United States:

To be confirmed

Finland – Presidency of the European Union:
Arto Lepistö, Deputy Director General, Energy Market
Division, Ministry of Trade and Industry

Views from international organisations:

The Increasing Investment Needs
William C. Pamsay, Doputy Executive

William C. Ramsay, Deputy Executive Director, International Energy Agency

The Role of an International Legal Framework
Andrei Konoplyanik, Deputy Secretary General, Energy
Charter Secretariat

Producer-Consumer Dialogue
Arne Walther, Secretary General, International Energy Forum

11:15-11:45	Coffee break
11:45-13:00	Upstream: Access to Resources
	Session Chairman: Olivier Appert, President, Institute Français du Pétrole
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State Companies as Instruments of Resource Management (the example of Statoil)

Elisabeth Berge, Director General, Royal Ministry of Petroleum and Energy, Norway

The role of International Oil Companies

Representative of the oil industry, to be confirmed

CNPC's Strategy for Foreign Upstream Activities
Representative of CNPC, to be nominated

Questions & Answers

13:00-14:30 Lunch (offered by the OSCE)

Presentation on the OSCE energy security information mission Bernard Snoy, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

14:30-15:45 Transportation: Access to Infrastructure

Session Chairman: Hilal Raza, Director General, Hydrocarbon Institute of Pakistan

Maintaining Ukrainian energy transit for the future Representative of Ukraine, to be confirmed

Challenges of new oil and gas pipelines in the Caspian region Pietro Cavanna, Caspian Sea Production Export Project Manager, ENI S.p.A

Iranian gas export options: pipeline vs. LNG?
Assadollah Maleknejad, Advisor to the Managing Director of the National Iranian Gas Export Company

Questions & Answers

15:45-16:15 Coffee break

16:15-17:15 Downstream: Access to Markets

Session Chairman: Mithat Rende, Deputy Director General of Energy, Water and Environment, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey

What makes an export market attractive?

Alexander Medvedev, Deputy Chairman of the Board,
Gazprom, to be confirmed

The importance of open markets for energy security
Christian Cleutinx, Director, DG TREN, European Commission, to be confirmed

Energy security from a Georgian perspective Nikolaz Gilauri, Minister of Energy of Georgia

17:15-18:00 Concluding Panel Discussion: the Way Forward

Panellists: Speakers from the previous session will be joined by:

Jonathan Stern, Oxford Institute for Energy Studies

Ralf Dickel, Energy Charter Secretariat Ann Eggington, International Energy Agency

Bernard Snoy, OSCE

18:30-20.00 Cocktail for participants and speakers

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REGISTRATION FORM

Palais d'Egmont, Petit Sablon 8, 1000 Bruxelles 25 October 2006

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW (PRINT LETTERS)

Title (Ms, Mr,)	
First Name	
Family Name	
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Participation in lunch	☐ Yes Special dietary requirements: ☐ Vegetarian ☐ No
Participation in cocktail	□ Yes □ No

Please return this registration form by 15 October 2006 to:

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