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# The Energy Union Conference

Friday, 6 February

*\*Please note that Latvian time is one hour ahead of Brussels time*

**The press conference on 6 February has been cancelled, nevertheless media will be given the opportunity to participate in the conference, as well as watch discussions online on [www.eu2015.lv](http://www.eu2015.lv).**

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08:00 Media Centre opens

## Opening of the conference

09:10 – 09:35 Opening speech by the Minister for Economics Ms Dana Reizniece-Ozola  
Keynote speech by the EC Vice-President Mr Maroš Šefčovič  
Address by the Chair of the ITRE Committee in the European Parliament Mr Jerzy Buzek (video message)

## Broader landscape for the European Energy Union

09:35 – 10:50 *Moderators: Jurijs Spiridonovs, Deputy State Secretary of the Ministry of Economics of Latvia & Dominique Rostori, Director-General for Energy, European Commission*  
Address by the Commissioner for Climate Action and Energy, Mr Miguel Arias Cañete  
Maria van der Hoeven, Executive Director, International Energy Agency (IEA)  
Tord Lien, Minister, Ministry of Petroleum and Energy, Norway  
Robin Dunnigan, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Diplomacy  
Jean-Arnold Vinois on behalf of Jacques Delors Institute/Notre Europe  
Bernadette Ségol, General Secretary, European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC)  
Sanjoy Rajan, Head of the Networks and Conventional Power Division within the Projects Directorate, European Investment Bank (EIB)  
*Followed by discussion*

10:50 – 11:05 Family photo  
*Photo and video opportunity*

## The Five Dimensions of the European Energy Union

11:15 – 12:00 *Moderator: Christopher Jones –Deputy Director General for Energy, European Commission*  
*I Supply security based on solidarity and trust*

Krišjānis Kariņš, European Parliament, ITRE

Sandrine Dixson-Declève, Director of The Prince of Wales's Corporate Leaders Group and Executive Director of the Green Growth Platform

Gertjan Lankhorst, President, EUROGAS

Urban Rusnák, Secretary General, Energy Charter

*Followed by discussion*

12:00 – 13:00

*Moderator: Christopher Jones – Deputy Director General for Energy, European Commission*

*II A competitive and completed internal energy market*

Bente Hagem, Vice-Chairperson of the ENTSO-E Board

Oluf Ulseth, Chair of the Energy Policy and Generation Committee at Eurelectric, CEO of Energi Norge

Alberto Pototschnig – Director, ACER

Elmar Thyen, Chair of the CEEP Energy Task Force (The European Centre of Employers and Enterprises providing Public Services)

Monique Goyens, Director-General, BEUC

*Followed by discussion*

## **The Five Dimensions of the European Energy Union (continued)**

14:30 – 15:40

*Moderator: Gerassimos Thomas – Deputy Director General for Energy, European Commission*

*III Moderation of energy demand*

Monica Frassoni – President, EU Alliance to save energy (EU-ASE)

Paul Voss - Managing Director, Euroheat & Power

Wendel Trio, Director, Climate Action Network Europe

*IV Decarbonisation of the EU energy mix*

Kristian Ruby, Principal Political Adviser, European Wind Energy Association (EWEA)

Oliver Schaefer – President, European Photovoltaic Industry Association

Jean-Pol Poncelet – FORATOM

*Followed by discussion*

15:40 – 16:20

*Moderator: Gerassimos Thomas – Deputy Director General for Energy, European Commission*

*V Research and innovation*

Stephan Brandligt, Deputy-Mayor of Delft (NL), Board Member of Energy Cities and Signatory of the Covenant of Mayors

Marianne Haug – Professor Energy Policy and Sustainable Development, University of Hohenheim

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Graeme Sweeney, Chairman, Zero Emissions Platform (ZEP)

*Followed by discussion*

- 16:20 - 16:25 Summarising remarks by Maroš Šefčovič, Vice-President of the European Commission for Energy Union
- 16:25 – 16:35 Conclusions by Dana Reizniece-Ozola, Minister for Economics
- 18:00 Media Centre closes