



Achieving sustainable energy in Central and Eastern Europe: The cases of gas market development and decarbonisation of heat

8-9 October 2018
Le Méridien, Vienna

Programme

08.30 **Registration & coffee**

09.00 **Welcome speech**

Stefan Szyszkowitz, Board Member of Eurogas / Spokesman of the Executive Board, EVN

09.15 **Keynote speech**

Dr. Michael Losch, Director General for Energy, Federal Ministry of Sustainability and Tourism, Austria

Q&A moderated by Jesse Scott, Deputy Secretary General, Eurogas

09.45 **Panel 1: Well-functioning and innovative gas market**

The panel will address how the functioning of the European gas market can be further improved, how new products can stimulate the market, and how domestic and industrial customers as well as the climate and air quality can benefit more.

Introductory speaker and discussant

Megan Richards, Director, DG ENER, European Commission

Speakers

Georg Dorfleutner, Managing Director, RAG Energy Storage, Austria

Petra Vargová Čakovská, SOS Poprad, Slovakia

Dirk Buschle, Deputy Director, Energy Community Secretariat

Dimitris Tzortzis, CEO, DEPA, Greece

Jan Vitovský, Strategy Manager, Net4Gas, Czech Republic

Moderator: Margot Loudon, Retail Market Expert, Eurogas

11.30 **Coffee break**



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12.00 **Panel 2: The decarbonisation of heat**

This panel will discuss how the decarbonisation of heat can be spurred in the region and how gas (natural, decarbonised and renewable) can contribute.

Introductory speaker and discussant

Julian Popov, Chair of the Buildings Performance Institute Europe (BPIE) / Fellow of the European Climate Foundation

Speakers

Federica Sabbati, Secretary General, European Heating Industry Association (EHI)

Michael Woltran, Vice President Gas Innovation & Advocacy, OMV Gas & Power

Sebastian Gröblichhoff, Vice-Chairman of the Management Board, Latvijas Gāze

Thomas Fleckl, Member of the Board of the European Heat Pump Association (EHPA)/Austrian Institute of Technology

Moderator: Jesse Scott, Deputy Secretary General, Eurogas

13.30 **Concluding remarks**

Jesse Scott, Deputy Secretary General, Eurogas

13.40 **Lunch**

The conference is preceded by a visit to the Baumgarten gas hub and dinner on 8 October 2018.
