



EUSEW workshop

Member States driving the green energy transition Best practice climate finance investments, policy reforms and transparent decision processes

12 October 2021, 12:00-13:30 (CEST)

The Clean Energy for All Europeans Package introduced a new governance framework for EU energy and climate policy, establishing a new relationship between the EU and Member States based on cooperation and negotiation through integrated National Energy and Climate Plans. The Next Generation EU Fund and its payments based on recovery plans and milestones further refine the interplay between the EU and the national level. Now that for most countries the first recovery payments have been handed out, the monitoring phase kicks in and questions on accountability and transparency come to the fore. For example, given that a large share of green transition spending occurs at local level, those authorities will have to be involved when green spending is planned and handed out.

EU Member States are currently in the process of planning for an optimal use of available green finance opportunities under the EU budget and finalizing plans for cohesion spending and just transition. Since Member States have a similar need to quickly absorb financial resources and accelerate clean transitions, the sharing of best practices for clean transition investments and policies is becoming ever more important. This event is intended to contribute to this.

Organized as part of the 2021 EU Sustainability Week, this session aims to empower national-level stakeholders to play their part in ensuring a vivid debate around the best path towards net zero in Europe. Hosted by Agora Energiewende in association with the European Commission Directorate-General of Energy and EUFORES, it will present the perspective of EU Member States and of key clean transition stakeholders at national and EU levels, topical research on climate investments/finance as well as best practices.



AGENDA

Moderated by Siobhan Hall , Brussels correspondent, Montel	
12:00-12:10	Welcome and introduction
12:10-12:20	Effective energy and climate governance in EU Member States Paula Abreu Marques , DG ENER Head of unit A1
12:20-12:30	Make the recovery plan come true – how to ensure rapid deployment, innovative financing and public accountability Livia Vasakova , Secretary of State, Ministry of Finance Slovak Republic
12:30-12:40	Best practice examples from across the EU on climate finance and inclusive clean transition policies Michaela Holl , Senior Associate Agora Energiewende Brussels
12:40-12:50	National parliaments and clean transition stakeholders as partners for successful transition strategies MEP Ciaran Cuffe , President of EUFORES
12:50-13:20	Moderated panel discussion with Q&A with Paula Abreu Marques , Michaela Holl and MEP Ciaran Cuffe plus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mathieu Fichter, Policy officer European Commission DG REGIO • Martin Mikeska, Czech Chamber of Renewable Energy Sources
13:20-13:30	Summary reflections and closure

REGISTRATION

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