

## Online workshop

### NATIONAL ENERGY AND CLIMATE PLANS OF DANUBE REGION COUNTRIES

#### TARGETS, POLICIES AND PROJECTIONS

6 May 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CET

20 May 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CET



The [Sustainable Energy Priority Area](#) (PA2) of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) has recently published the study "[NATIONAL ENERGY AND CLIMATE PLANS IN THE DANUBE REGION](#)", providing a **comparative assessment of the targets, measures and expected outcomes laid down in the National Energy and Climate Plans (NECPs) of EU member states belonging to the Danube Region**, and the energy strategies of the non-EU Danube Region countries where NECPs are in progress. The analysis, prepared by the Regional Centre for Energy Policy Research (REKK) focuses on the planned development in the **most important areas of energy consumption: electricity and gas markets, heating and cooling, transport, buildings and the industry sector.**

At the two workshops we present the most important results of the analysis and discuss the lessons learnt with experts from the region. The insights and recommendations might provide useful assistance for the preparation of the upcoming NECPs of the non-EU Danube Region countries, as well as for the following updates/revisions of NECPs of EU member states.

The first workshop on May 6 will focus on the ambitions and policy tools aimed at transforming in the **electricity and gas markets** in the region, while the second workshop on May 20 will cover two important energy policy areas largely influencing decarbonisation efforts in the (yet) non-ETS sectors: the deployment of **renewable energy in the heating and cooling sector, and the transport sector.**

The webinar is jointly organised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary and REKK.

Participation is free, please register on REKK's homepage.

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**Agenda 1st Workshop****THE FUTURE AND INTERRELATIONS OF GAS AND ELECTRICITY MARKETS IN THE DANUBE REGION****Electricity Markets and the Role of Renewable Electricity, Gas Markets****and Sector Coupling, Main Lessons from NECPs****6 May 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CET**

- 10:00 – 10:10 Welcome by Hungarian Ministry for Foreign Affairs and REKK, Introduction to the study
- 10:10 – 10:30 Electricity Markets and the Role of Renewable Electricity in the Danube Region – the most important highlights from NECPs  
*Lajos Kerekes, Senior Research Associate, REKK*
- 10:30 – 10:50 Gas Markets and Sector Coupling the Danube Region – the most important highlights from NECPs  
*Borbála Takácsné Tóth, Senior Research Associate, REKK*
- 10:50 – 11:00 Q&A
- 11:00 – 11:45 Panel Discussion  
*Moderator: László Szabó, Director, REKK*  
*Panelists:*
- *Pál Ságvári, Vice President for International Affairs, Hungarian Energy and Public Utility Regulatory Authority (HU)*
  - *Karolina Cegir, Gas Expert, Energy Community Secretariat*
  - *Davor Bajcs, Infrastructure Expert, Energy Community Secretariat*
  - *Ognjen Markovic, Project Expert, Regional Cooperation Council (BiH)*
- 11:45 – 12:00 Q&A + Closing remarks

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**Agenda 2nd Workshop****THE ROLE OF RENEWABLE HEATING AND TRANSPORT IN REDUCING GHG EMISSIONS  
IN THE DANUBE REGION****Renewable Heat and Biomass, Road to a Sustainable Transport sector, Main Lessons from NECPs****20 May 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CET**

- 10:00 – 10:10 Welcome by Hungarian Ministry for Foreign Affairs and REKK, Introduction to the study
- 10:10 – 10:30 The Road to a Sustainable Transport Sector in the Danube Region – The most important highlights from NECPs
- András Vékony, Senior Research Associate, REKK*
- 10:30 – 10:50 Renewable Heat in the Danube Region – The most important highlights from NECPs
- Bettina Dézsi and Gabriella Szajkó, REKK*
- 10:50 – 11:00 Q&A
- 11:00 – 11:45 Panel Discussion
- Moderator: Balázs Felsmann, Senior Research Associate, REKK*
- Panelists:*
- *Biljana Grbić, Advisor, Energy Community Secretariat*
  - *Julian Popov, Fellow, European Climate Foundation*
  - *Tomas Smejkal, Head of the Strategy Unit, Ministry of Industry and Trade (CZ)*
  - *Martin Sambale, Expert, EZA - Energie- und Umweltzentrum Allgäu (DE)*
  - *Matjaž Vrčko, Head of Public Transportation Division, Ministry of Infrastructure (SI)*
- 11:45 – 12:00 Q&A + Closing remarks

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