











Energy Strategies

Europe and the Mediterranean: trends and scenarios for a connected energy market

Advanced Research Workshop

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Draft Agenda

WEDNESDAY, 24TH OF MARCH 2021

15,00 – 15, 15 Welcome remarks

- Alessandro Minuto-Rizzo, President, NATO Defense College Foundation, Rome ***
- **TBC,** NATO Defense College, Rome
- Richard Brewin, Programme Manager, Science for Peace & Security Programme, NATO HQ, Brussels *

15, 15 – 15,25 Opening remarks

Karim El Aynaoui, President, Policy Center for the New South, Rabat *



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Session 1 Evolving Power Capacity in the Western Mediterranean

The existing energy infrastructure in the area (part of the NATO Mediterranean Dialogue) is evolving from a purely fossil production towards more renewables. What are the challenges and the technological issues of a production diversification and the conditions for regional electrical connections? The objective is favouring at the same time more stability through a diversified energy production and more collaboration through an integrated energy market.

Chair: **Marco Arcelli,** Director of Development and Head of Renewables, Energetický a průmyslový holding, a.s., Prague ***

- Ahmed Badr, Acting Director, Project Facilitation and Support, International Renewable Energy Agency, Abu Dhabi **
- Tayeb Amegoud, Senior Fellow, Commodity Economics and Finance, Policy Center for The New South, Rabat *
- Linus Mofor, Senior Environmental Affairs Officer in Charge of Energy, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa Office for North Africa, Rabat *
- Imed Amara, Engineer, Director in charge of ELMED Project, STEG, Tunis ***

O&A Session

18,00 - 19,15

SESSION 2 ENERGY SECURITY: THE MUTATION OF A CHALLENGE

Energy security of supply goes beyond the traditional stability of energy producing countries. Cooperative security is an added value to tackle old and new threats to traditional and advanced energy infrastructures, including cyber attacks.

The role of NATO tools and partnerships.

Chair: Nicola Graziani, Head, Foreign Editorial, Agenzia Italia, Rome ***

- Marco Piredda, Senior Vice President International Affairs, Eni, Rome ***
- Davide Sempio, Senior Stakeholder Relations Coordinator, Trans Adriatic Pipeline AG, Lecce *
- Marc Ozawa, NATO Defense College, Rome **
- Oded Eran, Senior Research Fellow, Institute for National Security Studies, Tel Aviv *

O&A Session

THURSDAY, 25TH OF MARCH 2021

15,00 – 15, 10 Special Intervention

Grammenos Mastrojeni, Deputy Secretary General for Energy and Climate Action, Union for the Mediterranean, Barcelona **

15,10 - 16,25

Session 3 The twin goal of a connected market and stability

A connected energy market in Northern Africa on the one hand requires infrastructures, interconnections, grids and well implemented regulations. On the other hand, in order to ensure North-South exchanges, it also needs a cooperative security framework to achieve stability. How do market actors interact among themselves and with (inter)governmental bodies assuring energy security?

Chair: Andrew Spannaus, Journalist and Political Commentator, Milan ***

- Rim Berahab, Economist, Policy Center for the New South, Rabat *
- Houda Allal, Director General, Observatoire Méditerranéen de l'Energie, Paris ***
- Jamal Mohamed Fakhro, Managing Partner, KPMG, Manama
- Guido Guida, Head of International Institutional Affairs, Terna SpA, Rome ***

Q&A Session

16,25 – 16,35 *Concluding Remarks*

Piero Fassino, President, Foreign Affairs Committee, Chamber of Deputies, Rome

END OF THE WORKING DAY

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