“Renewable Energy in Poland - Opportunities and Challenges ahead”

Organised in cooperation with the Polish Parliament

Online Conference

6 October 2020
9.30 – 13.00

Working languages: Polish and English – simultaneous interpretation provided

SESSION 1

9.30 – 9.45: Welcoming speech
Mr. Mieczysław Kasprzak, Member of Parliament, Chair of RES Intergroup

9.45 – 10.00: Opening words
Mr Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

SESSION 2

10.00 – 11.00: Setting the ambition for Renewable Energies in Poland

The session will present the current situation of renewable energies in Poland and how it will be addressed via the national energy and climate plans, considering the EU’s clean energy package and the European Green Deal. The session intends to set the picture of the present to discuss the development of policies for the Polish renewable energy system of the future.

Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

- 10.00 – 10.10: Renewable Energy in Poland: state of the Art
  Michal Kurtyka, Minister of Climate of Poland

- 10.10 – 10.20: The impact of the EU’s Clean Energy Package & the European Green Deal on Poland’s energy transition
  Hans van Steen, Director Renewable Energies and Energy Efficiency, Directorate General for Energy, European Commission

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10.20 – 10.30: Discussion with Members of Parliament
Questions from Participants

- 10.30 – 10.40: Why and how Poland should boost Renewable Energies?
  Mieczysław Kasprzak, Member of Parliament, Chair of RES Intergroup

10.40 – 10.50: Discussion with Members of Parliament
Questions from Participants

10.50 – 11.00: Break

SESSION 3

11.00 – 12.00: Towards a renewable energy system and energy markets

This session will discuss the trends of the new energy system and energy markets in Poland. Innovative initiatives and new business models from different sectors will be presented to show how different actors are implementing solutions overcoming the challenges faced by the traditional energy system and thereby shaping the future Polish energy system and markets.

Chair: Mr Mieczysław Kasprzak, Member of Parliament, Chair of the RES Intergroup

- 11.00 – 11.10: How to replace coal with Renewable Energy Sources: 2030 perspective
  Joanna Pandera, President, Forum Energy, Poland

- 11.10 – 11.20: Opportunities for Renewable Energies in Poland: the case of the offshore wind sector
  Zbigniew Gryglas, Government Plenipotentiary for the development of offshore Wind energy in Poland
  Janusz Gajowiecki, President, Polish Wind Energy Association

- 11.20 – 11.30: The emerging Polish Photovoltaic market
  Konrad Wiśniewski & Grzegorz Wisniewski, Renewable Energy Institute

11.30 – 11.50: Input from Members of Parliament

- 11.30 – 11.40: Gabriela Lenartowicz, Member of Parliament, Environment, Energy and Climate Intergroup
- 11.40 – 11.50: Tomasz Nowak, Member of Parliament, Head of the Just Energy Transition Intergroup

11.50 – 12.15: Questions from Participants
SESSION 4

12.15 - 13.00: Panel discussion “Shape and Fund the Renewable Energy Transition in Poland – a link to the current context of COVID-19 crisis”

This Session intends to discuss the financial opportunities for the Energy Transition and Renewable Energies in Poland, the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on the current and future Renewable Energy. Projects as well as the available or measures to come to support their development.

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12.15 – 12.25: How should we respond to the overlapping climate, health, and economic crisis?
Izabela Kielichowska, Managing Consultant, Guidehouse and RNP Partner

Experts Panel
- Anita Sowińska, Member of Parliament, New Green Deal Intergroup
- Andrzej Grzyb, Member of Parliament, Former Member of European Parliament
- Sylwia Koch, President, Polish Biogas Association - UPEBI
- Zbigniew Karaczun, The Climate Coalition
- Grzegorz Onichimowski, Senior Consultant, NODESmarket

12.50 – 13.00: Exchange of views and discussion with all participants