European energy infrastructures for a low-carbon economy

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Energy policy development

- Third Internal Energy Market Package
- EEPR
- Regulation on security of gas supply
- Energy Strategy 2020
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- Energy Infrastructure Package
- Energy Efficiency Plan
- Energy Infrastructure Legislative Proposal
- External Energy Policy Communication
- Energy 2050 Roadmap

Timeline:
- 2009
- 2010
- 2011
The conclusions:

- endorse the full list of **priorities** as outlined in the Commission Communication.
- invite the Commission to **streamline and improve authorisation procedures**, while respecting national competences and procedures.
- ask for particular attention be to paid to **tariff setting and appropriate cost allocation for cross-border investment**.
- recognise the need for "**limited public finance to leverage private funding**" for projects justified from a security of supply of solidarity perspective, on the basis of "clear and transparent criteria".
European infrastructures priorities – electricity by 2020

- Baltic energy market interconnection plan
- Interconnections in South West Europe
- Interconnections in Central-South East Europe
- Offshore grid in the Northern Seas and connection to Northern and Central Europe
- Smart grids in the EU
- Electricity highways as longer-term priority
European infrastructures priorities – gas and oil by 2020

- Southern gas corridor
- Baltic energy market interconnection plan
- South-North gas interconnections in Western Europe
- North south gas & oil interconnections in Central & South East Europe
Way forward – proposals for 2011

- New EU planning approach
  - Planning and selection method including criteria
  - Regional cooperation
  - Policy and project support tool

- Improved cost allocation
  - Effective cost allocation for complex (cross-border) projects (« beneficiary pays » principle)
  - Regulation matching risks (innovation) and objective (security of supply) of infrastructure investments

- Financing only where market failure
  - New financial instruments in cooperation with IFIs and direct EU support if needed

- Faster and more transparent permit granting procedures
  - One-stop shop approach and time limit for decisions
  - Transparency and early involvement of stakeholders
  - Compensation harmonisation
  - Rewards/incentives to regions and Member States
EU renewable energy potential
Thank you for your attention!