

13th EU-US Energy Regulators Roundtable



Wednesday, 26 April 2017

Arlington, VA, USA

Final Agenda (04/24/17)

The key themes are regulatory independence, flexibility, demand response and the future role of natural gas.

9:00 am Welcome & Keynote Addresses

These opening remarks will focus on key developments in the U.S. and EU (including new US President, Brexit and the new EU legislative framework) and the consequences for energy and climate change.

Speakers:

Mr Robert Powelson, NARUC President Lord Mogg, CEER President

9:30 am

Session 1: Good Practices Being an Independent Regulatory Authority: The Threat to Independence

Moderator:

Mr Remko Bos, CEER Vice President

Speakers:

- Ms Katharina Tappeiner, CEER, on safeguarding the independence of national regulatory authorities (NRAs)
- Mr Martin Crouch, CEER, on strategic prioritisation & risk assessment as a NRA
- Mr Mark McLeish, Economic Adviser, Regulatory Policy Division, OECD the OECD Network of Economic Regulators' (NER) work on being an independent regulator
- Mr John Betkoski, NARUC First Vice President, on setting strategy, compliance and enforcement priorities.

Roundtable Discussion

11:00 am	Coffee break
11:30 am	Session 2: Encouraging Flexibility in Electricity Market Design
	Moderator: Mr Alberto Pototschnig, ACER Director
	 Speakers: Mr Fernando Hernandez, CEER Electricity Working Group Chair, on the new electricity market design in Europe and need for scarcity pricing in wholesale markets
	 Ms Diane Burman, Commissioner, New York State Public Service Commission, NARUC, on regional coordination to encourage flexibility
	 Mr Arnie Quinn, Director of the Office of Energy Policy Innovation, FERC, on market design reforms to ensure appropriate compensation for flexible services and removing barriers to resources that provide flexibility
	 Ms Anda Ray, EPRI, on integrated energy network: optimizing for flexibility
	Roundtable Discussion
1:00 pm	Lunch (Adagio A/B Room)
2:00 pm	Session 3: Smart Regulation to Unlock the Benefits of Demand Response
	Moderator: Ms Ellen Nowak, NARUC Executive Committee Member; Commissioner, Wisconsin Public Service Commission

Speakers:

- Ms Annegret Groebel, CEER Vice President, on DSO incentives and innovation
- Mr Travis Kavulla, NARUC Past President; Commissioner, Montana Public Service Commission, on designing network tariffs to facilitate dynamic pricing on the retail level
- Mr Michael Hogan, Regulatory Assistance Project (RAP), on aggregators and getting the "supplier compensation" right so that consumer benefit from demand response: lessons from the US and Europe

 Ms. Anne Dønnem, Chair, CEER Work Program Draft Committee, on lessons learned on the regulatory challenges of incentivising smart meters

Roundtable Discussion

3:30 pm	Coffee break	
4:00 pm	Session 4: The Future Role of Natural Gas	
	Moderator: Ms Diane X. Burman, Co Vice Chair, NARUC Committee	
	on Gas; Commissioner, New York State Public Service Commission	
	Speakers:	
	- Ms Valeria Termini, CEER Vice President, on the future role of gas and the impact on the market design	

- Ms Kara Brighton, Commissioner, Wyoming PSC, NARUC, on pipeline safety
- Mr Dennis Hesseling, ACER Gas Head of Unit, on the ever closer EU gas market and its monitoring by ACER

Roundtable Discussion

5:10 pm	Conclusions
	Mr Robert Powelson, NARUC President Lord Mogg, CEER President
7:00 pm	Official Dinner



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Objectives: CEER and NARUC are organizing the first International Forum as an opportunity to share European Union and US regulatory perspectives with international stakeholders. Representatives from energy regulators, utilities, research organizations and the international community will debate the current trends and potential future issues in the electricity and gas sectors.

9:00 am	Welcome & Keynote Address
	 Mr Robert Powelson, NARUC President Lord Mogg, CEER President
9:20 am	Session I: LNG
	 Moderator: Ms Marie Pierre Fauconnier, CEER Vice President Speakers: Mr David Carroll, International Gas Union, President on highlights from IGU's recently released 2017 World LNG Report, which details changes in the global LNG marketplace over the last year Mr Artur Trindade, CEER Gas Working Group Chair, on regulatory challenges for LNG- a European perspective Ms Jolette Westbrook, Commissioner (Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities), NARUC, on the LNG movers and shakers and the impact of the ramp up of US exports on gas prices Mr Charlie Riedl, Executive Director, Center for Liquefied Natural Gas (CLNG), on LNG market conditions and trends
10:45 am	Networking Coffee Break



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11:05 am	Session II: Cybersecurity
	Moderator: Mr Willie L. Phillips, Commissioner, District of Columbia Public Service Commission, NARUC
	 Speakers: Ms Annabelle Lee, EPRI, Principal Technical Executive on cybersecurity and integration of Information Technology (IT) and Operations Technology (OT)
	 Lord Mogg, CEER, on new EU legislation and CEER's partnership (PEER) initiative Mr Tim Roxey, NERC, Vice President, E-ISAC Chief Operations Officer on the Internet of Things (IoT) with respect to regulatory frameworks Ms Ann Rendahl, Commissioner, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, NARUC on commission coordination with regulated utilities on cybersecurity
	<u>Q&A</u>
12:30 pm	Lunch Break
2:00 pm	Session III: The Role of Renewables and Distributed Generation
	Moderator: Mr Francisco Salazer, ICER Coordinator
	 Speakers: Mr Attila Nyikos, ERRA, on integrating RES into the market, and a new publication showing geothermal energy potential in Hungary Mr Fernando Hernandez, CEER, on re-designing RES support schemes and the regulatory challenges of net metering and self-generation Mr Mariano Gonzales Serrano, World Bank, Lead Energy Specialist, on implementing the Paris Agreement on climate change



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	Ms Nancy Lange, Chair, NARUC Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment; Commissioner, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission on renewable energy and distribution generation Q&A
3:25 pm	Networking Coffee Break
3:45 pm	Session IV: Technology and Innovation that Benefits Consumers
	 Moderator: Mr Ken Quesnelle, CAMPUT/ICER Speakers: Mr Ignacio Pérez-Arriaga, MIT, Visiting Professor, Centre for Energy and Environmental Policy Research (CEEPR) at Sloan School of Management, on regulating the utility of the future Ms Chantal Hendrzak, Executive Director, Market Evolution, PJM, on creating the market signals for demand response Ms Lorraine H. Akiba, Commissioner, Hawaii Public Utilities
5:10 pm	Concluding Remarks
	 Mr Robert Powelson, NARUC President Lord Mogg, CEER President