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The Third South East Europe Energy Dialogue

June 18-19 2009, Thessaloniki

1. The Meeting

Following the success of the First and Second South East Europe Energy Dialogue conferences held in Thessaloniki in June 2007 and May 2008, IENE is convening the "3rd S.E. Europe Energy Dialogue" Conference next June again in Thessaloniki (18-19 June 2009).

The purpose of this international meeting is to bring together high-ranking government officials, senior business executives and energy experts from the countries of S.E. Europe but also from major oil and gas producing countries with the objective of exchanging information and ideas, networking and discussions on the shaping of the political action required in order to face the energy and environmental challenges of the region. The "Energy Dialogue" has been conceived as a forum for furthering the idea of a S.E. European energy bridge involving all the countries of the region.

The SE Europe Energy Dialogue meeting is very topical in view of the continuously deteriorating situation with regard to the security of energy supplies, especially by the petroleum and gas importing countries, and the international concern for the development of viable alternatives.

In addition to the official representatives from each of the SE Europe countries and executives from all major energy companies of the region, senior personnel from banks and financial organizations (i.e. EBRD, EIB, World Bank, Black Sea Development Bank, etc.) donor representatives as well as high ranking officials from the European Commission, the International Energy Agency, the Energy Community, the Energy Charter and other international organisations will participate.

2. Scopes & Objectives

In summary, the major objectives of the S.E. Europe "Energy Dialogue" can be described as follows:

- (a) Identification of the key energy objectives of the broader region, together with the study and analysis of the basic energy infrastructure and energy prospects, challenges and opportunities.
- (b) Assessment of Climate Change policies to the region's energy development.
- (c) The international promotion of the region's energy developments through a well-organized initiative.
- (d) The furthering of contacts and interaction between energy suppliers and consumers focusing on oil and gas, electricity and Renewable Energy Sources.
- (e) Enhancing the creation of an unofficial but effective network of contacts at international and regional level.
- (f) The continuation on an ongoing basis of the "Energy Dialogue".

A full time secretariat initially provided by IENE, is supporting the objectives of the "E.D.", the publication of its proceedings together with the necessary promotional and assessment reports of the "E.D."

The "Energy Dialogue" is of particular relevance at this time juncture as current initiatives of the European Union for the creation of a regional energy market known as Energy Community (of SE Europe) and its Climate and Energy package (read 20-20-20), are evolving.

Among the themes that will be discussed during the 3rd Energy Dialogue Meeting will be the following:

- The S.E. Europe Energy Outlook: Energy demand, energy supply and imports, energy production, energy management.
- Energy security, dependence and interdependence.
- The new oil and gas routes of SE Europe.
- Electricity and interconnections and cross border trade.
- Developing a truly functional and competitive SE European energy market.
- Anticipated investments, challenges and opportunities.
- Developing alternative sources of energy and Renewable Energy Sources (RES).
- The Climate Change challenge and policy implications at a regional level.
- Research programmes and new technologies.

The "3rd Energy Dialogue" programme will include keynote presentations by high level energy personalities, official lunch and dinner speeches by prominent politicians and CEO's, sessions on the above mentioned themes and panel discussions. Discussion sessions between speakers and participants is a major objective of this conference.

The "SE Europe Energy Dialogue" international meeting is being organized by the Institute of Energy for South East Europe (IENE). The Institute is an Athens based non-governmental and non profit organization whose main task is to provide a platform for independent dialogue and analysis on key energy issues. One of IENE's main objectives is to participate in the formulation of energy policies, both on a national and international level, within the broader SE Europe region.

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5. Conference Programme*

The following is the outline programme of the 3rd SE Europe Energy Dialogue:

Day 1: Thursday, June 18 th 2009	
08:00-09:00	Registration
09:00-11:00	Session I – Inaugural <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductory Remarks by the Organizers• The Economic & Geopolitical Context –Part A<ul style="list-style-type: none">• General overview of the economic situation in S.E. Europe• Geopolitics of energy (Global and S.E. Europe)
11:00-11:30	Coffee Break
11:30-13:30	Session II The Economic and Geopolitical Context – Part B <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Energy and Security in S.E. Europe• Energy and climate change policies under the current financial turmoil: a regional perspective• Regulatory issues of regional interest <u>Panel Discussion</u>
13:30-15:00	Lunch with Guest Speaker
15:00-16:30	Session III Balkans as a Corridor of Energy Supplies to Europe – The Consumers Position <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oil and gas supplies and routes to Europe• Existing and new oil and gas pipelines• Major challenges for the S.E. European oil and gas industry• Implications of the financial crisis in the oil and gas markets in SE Europe
16:30-16:45	Coffee break
16:45-19:00	Session IV Balkans as a Corridor of Energy Supplies to Europe – The Suppliers Position <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oil & Gas Production (Russia, Middle East, the Caspian region)• Oil & Gas Export Routes <u>Panel Discussion</u>
21:00-23:00	Conference dinner with Guest Speaker

* This is still a preliminary programme. The detailed programme with the name of speakers, coordinators and commentators will be announced early in May 2009. The addition of a parallel session on Oil & Gas Upstream activities is under consideration.

Day 2: Friday, June 19th, 2009

08:00-09:00	Registration
09:00-11:00	<p><u>Session V</u> Towards an Integrated Electricity and Gas Market – Part A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Major challenges for the European power and gas industry• Primary energy sources for power generation• Investments and electricity interconnections in SE Europe <p><u>Interventions by Commentators</u></p>
11:00-11:30	Coffee Break
11:30-13:30	<p><u>Session VI</u> Towards an Integrated Electricity and Gas Market – Part B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The S.E. Europe Gas Market• Security of Energy Supply• Can there be Competition? <p><u>Panel Discussion</u></p>
13:30-14:30	Lunch with Guest Speaker
14:30-16:00	<p><u>Session VII</u> The Green Energy Challenge and Long Term Perspectives</p> <p><u>Themes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The quest for a low carbon future• The “upstream” of green energies• Green energy technologies• RES investment and employment opportunities in SE Europe• Winning policies and strategies in RES <p><u>Panel Discussion</u></p>
16:00-16:15	Coffee break
16:15-18:00	<p><u>Session VIII</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Reports from the Sessions</i>• <i>Roundtable Discussion</i>• <i>Discussion on the future of the SEE Energy Dialogue</i>
18:00-19:00	Farewell Reception

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Registration

You may register for the conference by completing the attached registration form

Name		
Company / Organisation		
Position		
Full Address (incl. postal code, city, country)		
Telephone		
E-mail		
Accommodation		
I wish to stay at the Hyatt Regency Hotel		<input type="checkbox"/>
I shall make my own arrangements		<input type="checkbox"/>
Registration categories		
IENE Independent members and delegates from S.E. Europe countries: 160 Euros + 19%VAT = 190,40Euros		<input type="checkbox"/>
IENE corporate members: 320Euros + 19%VAT = 380,60 Euros per person		<input type="checkbox"/>
Non IENE members: 500 Euros + 19%VAT = 595 Euros		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>-Early Bird Registration for all participants with 25% fee reduction if paid registrations are in by May 22th</i> <i>-For students and university staff special rates apply.</i>		
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IENE has made arrangements for delegates who wish to stay at the Hyatt Regency Hotel which is the conference venue. IENE will handle the bookings but each delegate will pay directly the hotel. The special rates that apply for conference delegates are as follows:

Hyatt Regency Hotel room type rates (per day)

(a)Deluxe King (single)	€138,98
Deluxe King (double)	€163,43
(b)Deluxe King Pool View (single)	€163,43
Deluxe King Pool View (double)	€187,89
(c)Junior Suite King (single)	€205,68
Junior Suite King (double)	€230,14

-If you decide to stay at Hyatt Regency Hotel please indicate this in your registration form by ticking the appropriate box. IENE will then send you a booking form for completion and return to IENE.

-If you wish to make your own arrangements at some other hotel the following is a list of good hotels in downtown Thessaloniki:

Macedonia Palace Hotel (5*) Website: www.classicalhotels.com

Electra Palace Hotel (5*) Website: www.electrahotelpalace.gr

Holiday Inn Thessaloniki (5*) Website: www.ichotelsgroup.com

Mediterranean Palace Hotel (5*) Website: www.greekhotel.com/thessaloniki/mediterranean

City Hotel (4*) Website: www.cityhotel.gr