

A One Day Workshop on

"OPENING UP THE WEST BALKANS ENERGY MARKET"

Wednesday, March 7th, 2012

Organized by the Institute of Energy for South East Europe (IENE) in association with the Energy Agency of the Republic of Serbia (AERS)

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Institute of Energy for SE Europe (IENE) in co-operation with the Energy Agency of the Republic of Serbia (AERS) is organizing a one day workshop in Belgrade, Serbia on March 7th, 2012. The purpose of the Belgrade workshop is to bring together high-ranking government officials, senior business executives and energy experts from the countries of West Balkans and the wider SE European Area with the objective of exchanging information and ideas, networking and discussions on the shaping of the political action required in order to meet the mounting energy and environmental challenges of the region focusing on latest developments in the electricity, gas and renewable energy sector. Energy security will be central in the agenda of this high level meeting and will be reviewed in the context of West Balkan developments related to energy market integration.

The workshop will concentrate on the region's key energy developments including large infrastructure projects such as gas interconnectors and inter-regional pipelines, power stations, electricity grid connections and RES project development. The meeting will focus on electricity market integration as well as on the present situation regarding the security of energy supplies, especially by the gas importing countries of SE Europe, and the global concern for the development of viable alternatives. High level speakers from Greece, Serbia, Croatia, Hungary and other West Balkan countries have confirmed their participation at the workshop. Furthermore IENE's recently published study on SE Europe's Energy Outlook, to be presented during the Workshop, will provide useful background reference material.

Speakers at the workshop will include senior executives from West Balkan TSOs, electricity traders, RES associations and well known energy companies active the region.

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