

GRID+ and ETP SmartGrids at the EU Sustainable Energy Week

27th of June, Brussels, Belgium



GRID+ and the ETP SmartGrids co-organize an event within the framework of the High Level Policy Conference at the upcoming European Union Sustainable Energy Week and with the special contribution of Futured Platform.

The event will address the contribution of Smart Grids towards sustainability goals, particularly regarding energy efficiency and integration of renewable energy sources.

It will be divided into 3 blocks: i) National / Regional Technology Platforms will provide different points of view about the benefits of the deployment of the Smart Grids with regard to energy sustainability, ii) overview of projects and initiatives in Europe with showcases, and iii) future of Smart Grids by presenting the R&D and Innovation priorities for 2020 and 2035, as well as the support mechanisms foreseen within Horizon 2020.

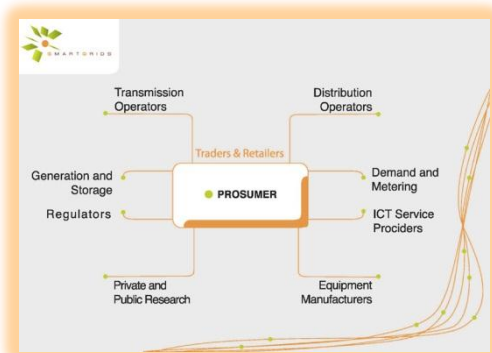
Access the EUSEW website for [registration](#) and the draft agenda [here](#)

ETP SmartGrids renewed Steering Committee

ETP SG Steering Committee has now 22 members

As a result of the ETP SmartGrids call for members last December, the Steering Committee was renewed and has now 22 members.

The 9th April, the new board met to elect its new Chairman. As a result, Mr. Richard Charnah from Alstom was elected Chairman, and along with Mr. Nikos Hatziargyriou from NTUA, elected Vice-Chairman, will lead the Platform in this new stage.



The list of new members of the Steering Committee has been published on the ETP SmartGrids website.

Access the new composition of the Steering Committee [here](#)

EEGI R&I Roadmap 2013-2022 already published

The new EEGI R&I Roadmap was launched in the Innogrid2020+ Seminar

The GRID+ support action has revised the on-going EEGI Roadmap approved by Member States in June 2010.

The new document is an upgraded version of the R&I Roadmap of the EEGI, which was first approved by the EC and Member States in June 2010. It has been initiated since early 2012 within the GRID+ project activities in order to cover new R&I and knowledge needs in response to recent EU energy policy evolutions. The document is divided into 4 main sections: i) climate change challenges, ii) upgraded system innovation activities, iii) expected outcomes and impacts, and iv) the EEGI R&I budget.



An updated version of the EEGI Implementation Plan for period 2014-2016 will soon follow.

Access the EEGI R&I Roadmap [here](#) and Grid+ website [here](#)

STARGRID Workshop analyzed current standardization activities

The workshop was held on 16 June, 2013, Brussels

25 participants from standardisation bodies, smart grid platforms, associations from industry and research, DSO and TSOs, manufactures and telecommunications attended the workshop.

The main issues and key points discussed within the event were i) the Complexity of the smart grid concept and its reflect in the standardisation processes, ii) the stakeholders funding of activities so standards, technical requirements and models to can be concrete and harmonised, iii) the challenge due to the different conditions in EU countries, iv) the harmonization by defining common terms and requirement to enter codes into comparison, and v) Pace/Market-orientation: market-oriented standards should be applied as soon as possible to keep the pace of the evolving smart grid technologies.



The outcome will be published on the STARGRID website as a consolidated industry statement, after which STARGRID will launch an open consultation process.

Access the [STARGRID website](#) for further information

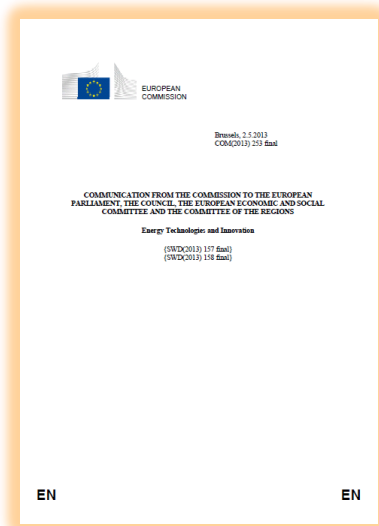
Adoption of the Communication on Energy Technologies and Innovation

The Communication was presented during the SET Plan Conference

2nd of May 2013, the Communication on Energy Technologies and Innovation was adopted proposing new orientations and developments for energy technology development.

The Communication was presented at the SET Plan Conference, 7th of May by Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, European Commissioner for Research and Innovation and Günther H. Oettinger, European Commissioner for Energy.

The document focus on the need for accelerating innovation in low-carbon technologies and innovative solutions, for reducing costs rapidly and speeding up the introduction of new technologies to the market.



Access the full Communication and related documents [here](#)

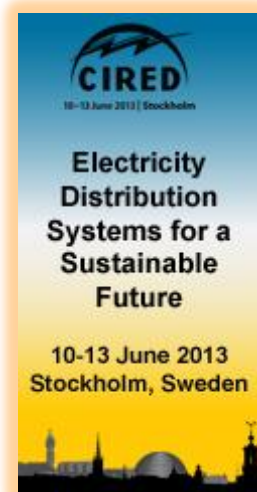
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Publication of Multiannual Roadmap for the Contractual Public Private Partnership European Green Vehicles Initiative

Final version of the roadmap was published in March 2013

The final version of the Multiannual Roadmap for the Contractual Public Private Partnership European Green Vehicles Initiative has already been published.

The roadmap is resulting from the intense stakeholder consultation process that had been conducted since late summer 2012.

The publication took place at the same time as the European Green Vehicles Initiative Association (EGVIA) was launched. The association will be the legal entity of the Contractual Public Private Partnership European Green Vehicles Initiative (EGVI PPP). This initiative is the evolution of European Green Cars Initiative within the framework of Horizon 2020.



Access the EGVI roadmap [here](#)

Green Paper "A 2030 framework for climate and energy policies"

Commission moves forward on climate and energy towards 2030

On 27 March 2013, the European Commission adopted a Green Paper on "A 2030 framework for climate and energy policies".

A public consultation lasting until 2 July, has been opened allowing Member States, other EU institutions and stakeholders to express their views on the matter. Those views will feed into the Commission's on-going preparations for more concrete proposals for the 2030 framework which will be tabled by the end of 2013.



A 2030 framework for EU climate change and energy policies will:

- provide certainty and reduced regulatory risk for investors
- mobilise the funding needed
- support progress towards a competitive economy and a secure energy system
- establish the EU's 2030 ambition level for GHG reductions in view of a new international agreement on climate change foreseen for 2015.

Access the Green Paper [here](#) and further details on the whole process [here](#)

Next World Forum on Energy Regulation to be held in 2015

WFER in held once every three years

The next World Forum on Energy Regulation, a major international conference held once every three years, will take place in Istanbul, Turkey from 25 to 28 May 2015.

An online questionnaire was published by the World Forum organisers to help guide the topics and programme agenda for this important event. Those interested in international energy regulatory issues can contribute with their ideas for topics.



Access the WFER site [here](#) and the questionnaire [here](#)

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