The EU Renewable Energy Policy: Challenges And Opportunities

Friday, May 9th 2014

Venue: Conference Room 3, Henry Ford Building

Programme of the Workshop

9:00 – 9:30. Registration and coffee

9:30 – 10:00. Welcome address

• Christian Hey, German Advisory Council on the Environment

• Rainer Hinrichs-Rahlwes, President of the European Renewable Energy Federation (EREF)

10:00 – 11:00. Panel 1 – A framework for analysing the EU renewable energy policy

• The EU RES Policy: History, evolution and perspectives

  Mischa Bechberger (Freie Universität Berlin) and Israel Solorio (Freie Universität Berlin)

• The Europeanization of RES policies and domestic policy change

  Helge Jörgens (Freie Universität Berlin) and Israel Solorio (Freie Universität Berlin)

11:00 – 11:20. Coffee break
11:20 – 13:00. Panel 2 – RES policies in large economies of the EU

Chair: Kirsten Jörgensen, Freie Universität Berlin

Discussants: Helge Jörgens, Freie Universität Berlin and Lorenzo Di Lucia (Imperial College London)

• Complying with Europe or using Europe? The Europeanization of French renewable energy policies
  Pierre Bocquillon (University of Cambridge) and Aurélien Evrard (Université Paris Sorbonne Nouvelle)

• United Kingdom: the entrepreneurship of a laggard in RES promotion
  Jenny Fairbrass (University of East Anglia) and Israel Solorio (Freie Universität Berlin)

• Italy: The evolution of the Italian biofuel and RES-E incentives and policy: just a hiccup or something more?
  Rosaria Di Nucci (Freie Universität Berlin) and Daniele Russolillo (Fondazione per l’Ambiente - Turin School of Local Regulation, Torino)

• Spain: the rise and fall of a forerunner in the promotion of RES
  Israel Solorio (Freie Universität Berlin)

13:00 – 14:00. Lunch

14:00 – 15:40. Panel 3 – Perspective for RES policies in the green member states

Chair: Jenny Fairbrass (University of East Anglia)

Discussant: Oriol Costa (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

• Resting on green laurels? Challenges for “new renewables” in Austria
  Eva Öller (Freie Universität Berlin)

• The German RES policy – role model for the EU or bold solo attempt(s)?
  Mischa Bechberger (Freie Universität Berlin), Dörte Ohlhorst (Freie Universität Berlin), Bernd Hirschl (Institute for Ecological Economy Research – IÖW) and Thomas Vogelpohl (Institute for Ecological Economy Research – IÖW)

• How to become a laggard? The case of RES-E policy implementation in the Netherlands
  Ellen Van Bueren (Delft University of Technology) and Thomas Hoppe (Twente University)

• Danish renewable energy policy through time – still an environmental leader?
  Helene Dyrhauge (Roskilde University)

15:40 – 16:00. Coffee break
16:00 – 17:40. Panel 4 – RES policies in the EU newcomers

Chair: Oriol Costa (Universitat Autónoma de Barcelona)
Discussant: Kerstin Tews (Freie Universität Berlin)

• In search of coherence: dynamics of resistance and convergence in the Bulgarian renewable energy sector
  Tomas Maltby (University of Manchester) and Ralitsa Hiteva (University of Sussex)

• Poland at the energy policy crossroads – a superficial Europeanization?
  Karolina Jankowska (WindSys Windsystems & Technologies GmbH)

• The Europeanization of renewable energy policy in Romania
  Simona Davidescu (ESSCA and University of York)

17:40 – 18:00. Conclusions and closing remarks

Israel Solorio (Freie Universität Berlin), Helge Jörgens (Freie Universität Berlin) and Mischa Bechberger (Freie Universität Berlin)

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