





WORKSHOP

"Renewable Energy in Spain – Opportunities and Challenges ahead"

Online Conference

14, January 2021 9.00 – 13.00

Working languages: English and Spanish-simultaneous interpretation provided

SESSION 1 9.00 – 9.20 Opening Session

9.00 – 9.10: Opening words

Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

9.10 – 9.20: Welcoming speech

Juan Antonio López de Uralde Garmendia, Member and Chair of the Committee on Ecological Transition, Spanish Congress of Deputies

SESSION 2 9.20 – 10.30

Setting the ambition for Renewable Energy Sources for Spain

The session will present the current situation for renewable energies in Spain, and how they will be addressed via the National Energy and Climate Plans -NECP-, considering the European Green Deal and Recovery Plan. The session intends to set the picture of the present and discuss the development of policies for the Spanish renewable energy system of the future.

Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

Input speeches

9.20 – 9.35: The role of renewable energies for a sustainable recovery and economy in Spain Sara Aagesen Muñoz, State Secretary for Energy, Spanish Ministry of Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge

9.35 – 9.50: Renewable energies as part of a green recovery in Spain and Europe Antonio Lopez Nicolas, Deputy Head of Unit, Renewables and CCS Policy, DG Energy, European Commission

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9.50 – 10.15: Expert Panel

- Nicolás González Casares, Member of the European Parliament
- Germán Renau Martinez, Member of the Spanish Parliament
- **Diego Gago Bugarín**, Member of the Spanish Parliament

10.15 – 10.30: Exchange of views with Members of the Spanish Parliament & questions and answers

10.30 – 10.45: Break

SESSION 3

10.45 – 11.45: Discussion Towards a new and sustainable Spanish energy system

This session will discuss the trends of the new energy system and energy markets in Spain. Innovative initiatives and new business models from different sectors will be presented to show how different actors are implementing solutions overcoming the challenges faced by the traditional energy system and thereby shaping the future Spanish energy system.

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10.45 – 10.55: Unlocking Spain's potential to become an international photovoltaic energy hub

José Donoso, Director General, Spanish Solar Energy Association - Unión Española Fotovoltaica, UNEF

10.55 – 11.05: First floating offshore wind project in Spain: a must for Spain's wind sector Juan Virgilio Márquez López, CEO, Spanish Wind Energy Association – Asociación Empresarial Eólica, AEE

11.05 – 11.15: Harnessing the great potential for geothermal and biomass energy in Spain Margarita de Gregorio, Thermoelectric Energies Director, Spanish Renewable Energy Association – Asociación de Empresas de Energías Renovables, APPA

11.15 – 11.25: The challenges of a safe integration of renewable energies in the Spanish electricity system

Mauricio Remacha Moro, Manager, Regulation and Studies Department, Red Eléctrica de España, REE

11.25 – 11.45: Exchange of views with Members of the Spanish Parliament & questions and answers

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11.45 – 11.55: Break

SESSION 4

11.55 - 13.00: Discussion "Shape and Fund the Renewable Energy Transition in Spain – a link to the current context of the COVID-19 crisis"

This Session intends to discuss the financial opportunities for the energy transition and renewable energies in Spain. It shall discuss the measures and projects to include in the Recovery Plan to support the transition towards a green and sustainable economy, with the focus on renewable energies legislations and projects.

Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

Input speech

11.55 – 12.05: Legislative tools and framework for financing the Spanish energy transition Joan Groizard, Director General, Institute for Diversification and Saving of Energy, IDAE

Expert panel

- Juan Antonio López de Uralde Garmendia, Member and Chair of the Committee on Ecological Transition, Spanish Congress of Deputies
- Juan Fraga, Manager, Terranova Iniciativas
- Mario Rodríguez Vargas, Director, Greenpeace Spain
- Rafael Mateo, CEO, Energy, Acciona

12.45 – 12.55: Exchange of views with Members of the Spanish Parliament & questions and answers

12.55 – 13.00: Closing remarks Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

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