

MEDIA INVITE

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Energy Policy Talk on Moving towards a functioning competitive electricity market in Ukraine

On February 19th the second in a series of “Energy Policy Talks” will take place in “Hotel Kyiv”, where members of the Ukrainian Government and Verkhovna Rada will join leading energy experts from around Europe. This Energy Policy Talk will cover the transition to the new electricity market which is open for competition, but at the same time has a robust system of security and reliability.

The discussion will focus on:

- The conditions needed to restructure the market towards a workable competitive wholesale electricity model. What are the expected benefits and challenges of this market model?
- What steps should Ukrainian government take in the next 18 months to successfully transform the electricity industry into the new market model. How fast can this happen?
- The future structure of the power generation mix. What will be the role of renewable energy sources, and thermal power plants? How will Ukrainian consumers benefit from the ongoing electricity reforms? What would be the market prices and how will support to the vulnerable consumers be financed?

The media are invited to attend:

What? 2nd Energy Policy Talk

When? 19 February 2016.

Press briefing 15:45 – 16:15; Energy Policy Talk 15:00 – 19:30

Where? “Hotel Kyiv” 26/1 Hrushevskogo Str. Kiev

Participants:

- **Volodymyr Demchyshyn**, Minister of Energy and Coal Industries
- **Jan Tombinski**, H.E. Ambassador, Head of EU Delegation
- **Oleksandr Dombrovskiy**, Deputy Head of Verkhovna Rada Committee on Fuel and Energy, Nuclear Policy and Security
- **Janez Kopač**, Director, Energy Community Secretariat

Moderator: **Dmytro Vasyliev**, Deputy Director General of Centre for Energy Research

Please follow the [link](#) to see the program.

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Background information: INOGATE is an EU-funded programme promoting international energy co-operation between the European Union and the Partner Countries of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan. In Ukraine, INOGATE is organising the series of high-level Energy Policy Talks to provide an opportunity for involved players in government, parliament, civil society, donors and international financial institutions to discuss the benefits and challenges of implementing energy market reforms and sustainable energy policy, stimulating coherent and coordinated actions for the benefit of Ukrainian citizens.

For more information on the project, please visit www.inogate.org



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