





To the attention of Transmission System Operators (TSOs), Distribution System Operators (DSOs) and Regulatory Agencies of the Danube region countries

Budapest/Brussels, 18 September, 2013

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Energy Priority Area of the Danube Region Strategy and the European Commission, we would like to kindly invite you to the

Regional workshop on Smart Grid Deployment in the Danube Region

to be organized on 18th November, 2013 in Brussels with the participation of TSOs and DSOs, Energy Agencies from the Danube countries as well as European Commission experts.

The aim of the workshop is to assess the demand for smart grid solutions in the Danube region countries as well as to share the experience of countries that are more advanced in the power grid transformation with those that are at the beginning of this process. Participants will have the opportunity to exchange information on their smart grid experiences and to identify potential fields of common interest in this macro-region of Europe. The workshop is intended to serve as a first stepping stone towards cooperation in this area within the EU Danube Region Strategy.

The workshop is organised in the context of the Danube Region Smart Grid Concept that consists of the present workshop and a smart grid assessment report that maps out the existing status and future plans for smart grid deployment in the Danube region countries. By the end of the project they are expected to have a better understanding of their own and the other member states' perception on the current/future role of smart grids, the potential demand for smart grid solutions and the points of policy intervention/regulatory changes.













Please find the preliminary agenda enclosed. We would kindly ask you to confirm your participation via email (danube-energy@mfa.gov.hu) at the latest by 4 October, 2013.

We hope that you will accept our invitation.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

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