



Priorities of the Polish Presidency in energy

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Priorities of the Presidency

- European integration as a source of growth
 - Secure Europe
 - Europe benefiting from openness
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Growing Europe

EUROPEAN INTEGRATION AS A SOURCE OF GROWTH

SINGLE MARKET

**MULTIANNUAL
FINANCIAL
FRAMEWORK
NEGOTIATIONS**

**EXTERNAL TRADE
NEGOTIATIONS**



Secure Europe

SECURE EUROPE

**EXTERNAL DIMENSION OF
EU ENERGY POLICY**

**COMMON SECURITY AND
DEFENCE POLICY**



Why the external dimension?

EXTERNAL DIMENSION OF ENERGY POLICY

- Role of rotating Presidency in EU foreign policy diminished under the Treaty of Lisbon ...
- ... but energy still the competence shared between the Member States and the EU
- External dimension of the EU energy policy vs. an EU foreign energy policy



Why the external dimension?

EXTERNAL DIMENSION OF ENERGY POLICY

□ Implementation of the new Treaty objectives on the right track:

- Energy market
- Interconnection of networks
- Energy efficiency promotion, development of new and renewable forms of energy
- Security of energy supply in the Union



Strong political guidance

Polish objectives

- Strengthening the energy security of the EU through reviewing the previously applied policy mechanisms in the field of the EU energy external relations in the context of their evaluation and modernization
- Impetus for development of the comprehensive EU external energy policy instruments

European Council

- *„There is a need for better coordination of EU and Member States' activities with a view to ensuring consistency and coherence in the EU's external relations with key producer, transit and consumer countries.”*
- *„The EU should take initiatives in line with the Treaties in the relevant international fora and develop mutually beneficial energy partnerships with key players and around strategic corridors”*

Key driving principles

EXTERNAL DIMENSION OF ENERGY POLICY

- Well functioning internal market as a prerequisite for effective external policy
- Common legal area with third countries based on *acquis communautaire*
- Rules-based access to the EU market to avoid market distortions (no exclusions or derogations from *acquis communautaire* for any market participant)
- Coherent use of existing and new mechanisms and instruments (Council conclusions based on the communication of the European Commission)

From discussion to action

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European Council: „Europe needs to diversify its routes and sources of supply. The Commission is accordingly invited to continue its efforts to facilitate the development of strategic corridors for the transport of large volumes of gas such as the Southern Corridor”



**Agreement with Azerbaijan and Turkmenistan
on gas corridor**

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European Council: „(The EU) should also develop measures as necessary to ensure a level playing field for EU power producers vis-à-vis producers outside the European Economic Area.”



Negotiations with Russia and Belorussia in respect to integration of the Baltic States with the EU electricity system

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European Council: „(The EU) should encourage neighbouring countries to embrace its relevant internal energy market rules, notably by extending and deepening the Energy Community Treaty and promoting regional cooperation initiatives.”



- Amendment of the Energy Community Treaty (new energy *acquis*: 3rd package, renewable, efficiency)**
- Kick-off the reflection on lesson learned after 5 years of experience**



Open Europe

**EUROPE BENEFITTING FROM
OPENNESS**

ENLARGEMENT

NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICY

Ongoing energy agenda

EXTERNAL
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ENERGY POLICY

- Legislative proposal on energy infrastructure
- Energy efficiency dossier
- Integration of renewable sources
- Internal market – REMIT
- Nuclear safety

Thank you for your attention!



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