

## From rules to reality: the implementation of the Electricity Market Design as driver for demand-side flexibility?

### *smartEn Symposium*

**Organiser:** [smartEn – Smart Energy Europe](#) is the European business association integrating the decentralized solutions of the clean energy transition. We create opportunities for every company, building and car to support an increasingly renewable energy system.

**Hosting MEP:** Maria da Graça Carvalho MEP (EPP/Portugal)

**Time:** 1h30 on 17 November (9.30-11.00)

**Venue:** Online platform provided by the European Parliament

#### **Description:**

The EU Electricity Regulation and Directive provide the basis for an ambitious European Green Deal and Green Recovery in the energy sector.

Europe's opportunity to realise its climate ambition depends on dynamic market structures enabling clean and innovative solutions, consumer empowerment and the use of demand-side flexibility to complement a renewable-energy based supply. Around 25 articles in both the Electricity Regulation and Directive are crucial in this sense as they remove existing regulatory barriers to demand-side flexibility, enable an active participation of all energy consumers in the clean energy transition and increase efficiency at system level.

In 2020 smartEn, with the support of its network of member companies, monitored progress on implementation of these central articles for demand-side flexibility in 10 Member States. During the virtual Symposium, smartEn will present the main conclusions of this monitoring effort by publishing a report to provide EU institutions with an overview of progress achieved until now and encourage Member States to speed up shaping correct national frameworks.

The hosting MEP Maria da Graça Carvalho, the Energy Commissioner, Kadri Simson, and the German EU Presidency will exchange on opportunities and challenges related to the implementation of the Electricity Market Design to remove regulatory barriers, drive innovative data-driven energy services, foster industrial competitiveness and create new jobs across Europe.

Beyond policymakers, attendees will be business representatives from innovative companies and new market players which are currently identifying new markets for demand-side flexibility to flourish.

## AGENDA

Moderator: Frauke Thies, Executive Director, smartEn

TIME	SLOT	SPEAKER
9.30-9.35	Welcome	Frauke Thies, Executive Director, smartEn <i>(confirmed)</i>
9.35-9.45	Introductory speech by Hosting MEP	Maria da Graça Carvalho MEP <i>(confirmed)</i>
9.45-9.55	Keynote speech: the implementation of the Electricity Market Design to achieve climate neutrality	Kadri Simson, Commissioner for Energy <i>(confirmed)</i>
9.55-10.05	Two years after the Electricity Market Design: opportunities and challenges at national level	MinDirig Dr Volker Oschmann, Deputy Director General Electricity, BMWi, Germany <i>(confirmed)</i>
10.05-10.20	Q&A	
10.20-10.30	Interactive presentation of smartEn monitoring report on the implementation of the Electricity Market Design	Michael Villa, Head of Policy, smartEn <i>(confirmed)</i>
10.30-10.45	Regulatory opportunities to drive digital and decentralised energy solutions in buildings, industry and transport	3 business representatives from smartEn member companies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patrick Adigbli, Head of Market Shaping, Centrica <i>(confirmed)</i></li> <li>Felix Dembski, Vice President Regulatory, sonnen <i>(confirmed)</i></li> <li>Vincent Minier, VP Global Strategy Prospective &amp; External Affairs, Schneider Electric <i>(confirmed)</i></li> </ul>
10.45-10.55	Q&A	
10.55-11.00	Conclusion	Andreas Flamm, Chair, smartEn Board of Directors <i>(confirmed)</i>