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at Jurmala, near Riga, LATVIA

870th WILTON PARK CONFERENCE

Monday 24 – Thursday 27 SEPTEMBER 2007

ENERGY SECURITY IN THE EUROPEAN UNION: THE EASTERN AND BALTIC DIMENSION

How do relations with Russia impact upon Europe's energy security? What do oil and gas price volatility, growing demand from China and India, vulnerability of supplies and infrastructure, and uncertainty over future Russian energy policy mean for the security of Europe's energy supplies? Does climate change make the search for energy alternatives more urgent? How can a common EU internal and external energy policy help meet national needs? Can unbundling and competition contribute to energy security? What responsibilities do EU governments need to retain?

themes proposed and speakers invited (* = to be confirmed)

MONDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

1500-1800
1900

Participants Arrive

Reception and Buffet Dinner hosted by Ambassador **Richard MOON**, British Embassy

TUESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

0900-0915

Welcome and Introduction to the Conference

0915-1045

1 MEMBER STATE ENERGY SECURITY PRIORITIES: LATVIAN AND UK PERSPECTIVES

* **Jurijs STRODS**

Minister for Economy and Energy, Riga

Senior Speaker, Department for Business, Enterprise & Regulatory Reform, London

1130-1245

2 WHAT IS THE EU COMMISSION DOING TO REFLECT MEMBER STATE PRIORITIES AND FOSTER A COMMON EUROPEAN ENERGY POLICY?

Senior Speaker, European Commission, Brussels

1430-1530

3 HOW WILL RUSSIA CONTRIBUTE TO MEETING RISING EU DEMAND?

* **Vladimir MILOV**

Head, Institute of Energy Policy, Moscow

* **Michael SAVVA**

Head, Sectoral International Co-operation on Energy And Transport Division, Economic Co-operation Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, Russia

1530-1630

4 WHAT ROLES DO RUSSIA AND TURKEY PLAY AS "GATEKEEPERS" TO EU ACCESS TO CENTRAL ASIAN ENERGY?

John ROBERTS

Energy Security Specialist, Platts, Edinburgh

1700-1745

5 PRESENTATION OF KEY THEMES TO PLENARY FOLLOWED BY BREAKOUT GROUPS

1745-1900

a Russia and the EU: Towards a Mutually Satisfactory Energy Partnership?

Dr Maria BELOVA

Senior Expert, Energy Department, Institute for Energy and Finance, Moscow

b Liquefied Natural Gas: An Alternative Energy Source for Europe?

Senior Speaker, Centrica plc., London

c Can a Gas Exporters Organisation (OGEC) Be Effective?

* **Abdullah bin HUSSEIN SALAAT**

- Senior Adviser to the Minister of Energy, Doha
- d The Baltic States and the Baltic Sea as 'Energy Islands' and Transit Routes**
*** Dr Kārlis MIKELSONS**
Chairman of the Board, Latvenergo, Riga

WEDNESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

- 0915-0930 **6 BRIEF THREE MINUTE REPORTS FROM SESSION 5 BREAK OUT GROUPS**
- 0930-1045 **7 BUILDING A MORE INTEGRATED EU ENERGY MARKET: CAN UNBUNDLING, REGULATION AND MORE COMPETITION FACILITATE ENERGY SECURITY?**
Jacques-André TROESCH
Commissioner, Energy Regulation Commission, Paris
- 1115-1230 **8 TO WHAT EXTENT CAN NUCLEAR AND ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES REDUCE THE EU'S ENERGY DEPENDENCE AND HELP ARREST CLIMATE CHANGE?**
Jean-Pol PONCELET
Senior Vice-President, New Energies Policy; Senior Adviser to the Chief Executive, AREVA, Paris
- 1345-1445 **9 WHAT IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE AND POLITICALLY REALISTIC BALANCE BETWEEN NATIONAL AND EU RESPONSES (I)?**
Ambassador Matti ANTONEN
Energy Co-ordinator, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Helsinki
- 1445-1530 **10 PRESENTATION OF KEY THEMES TO PLENARY FOLLOWED BY BREAK OUT GROUPS**
- 1600-1715 **a The Security of Transmission Pipelines and Oil Tankers: What Measures Can be Taken to Reduce the Impact of Terrorist Attacks, War and Accidents?**
Dr Andrew MONAGHAN
Director, The Russia Research Network Ltd, Wimbledon, London
- b The Future of Energy Transit Through Central Europe**
Pawel KONZAL
Director, Representative Office to the European Union, Polish Oil and Gas Company, Brussels
- c The Future of Energy Transit Through South Eastern Europe**
Ambassador Ilian VASSILEV
Senior Fellow, Centre for the Study of Democracy (CSD); former Chair, Foreign Investment Agency, Sofia
- d The Role of Energy in Russian Foreign Policy**
Dr Konstantin SIMONOV
General Director, National Energy Security Fund, Moscow

THURSDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

- 0900-0915 **11 BRIEF THREE MINUTE REPORTS FROM SESSION 10 BREAK OUT GROUPS**
- 0915-1045 **12 HOW ARE CHINA, INDIA AND OTHER EMERGING ECONOMIES AFFECTING GLOBAL DEMAND FOR ENERGY FROM RUSSIA AND ELSEWHERE?**
Stefan LIEBING
Regional Adviser Russia, Corporate Affairs, Shell International, The Hague
- Professor YANG Guang**
Director-General, Institute for West Asia and Africa Studies, China Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing
- 1115-1245 **13 WHAT IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE AND POLITICALLY REALISTIC BALANCE BETWEEN NATIONAL AND EU RESPONSES? (II)**
Ambassador Viktor ELBLING
Commissioner for International Energy Policy, Globalisation and Sustainable Development, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin
- Jean LAMY** (subject to final confirmation)
Head, International Strategy Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Paris
- 1245-1300 **13 CONCLUDING REMARKS**
- 1400 Participants Depart

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