



# The level and drivers of EU energy prices for energy intensive industries

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Big Conference Room (Ground Floor)  
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## INTRODUCTION

In May 2013, the European Commission received a mandate from the European Council to “to present an analysis of the composition and drivers of energy prices and costs in Member States, with a particular focus on the impact on households, SMEs and energy intensive industries, and looking more widely at the EU's competitiveness vis-à-vis its global economic counterparts”.

Following such mandate and in view of the preparation by the Commission of a Communication and a Staff Working Document, DG Enterprise and Industry commissioned CEPS to carry out a set of studies aimed at providing well-grounded evidence about the evolution and composition of energy prices and costs at plant level within individual industry sectors. To this end, CEPS prepared five sectoral case studies: two on ceramics (wall and floor tiles and bricks and roof tiles), two on chemicals (ammonia and chlorine) and one on flat glass. Additionally, in order to better illustrate the trends in member states, CEPS prepared a cross-sectoral analysis using data from the five sectoral studies as well as from the separate studies for the sectors of steel and aluminium (cumulative cost assessment).

The aim of this event is to present the energy prices trends identified in the five sectoral case studies and in the studies for the sectors of steel and aluminium. Drawing on the results of the CEPS studies as well as on evidence from other similar studies, the event will then feature a panel discussion on the level and drivers of EU energy prices.

## AGENDA <sup>1</sup>

- 09:00 - 09:30 Arrival & registration of participants
- 09:30 - 09:35 Welcome by **Lorna Schrefler**, Research Fellow & Head of Regulatory Policy Unit, CEPS and **Christian Egenhofer**, Associate Senior Research Fellow, Head of the Energy and Climate Change Programme, CEPS
- 09:35 - 09:50 Presentation on energy costs and competitiveness by **Emmanuelle Maincent**, Head of Unit, DG Economic and Financial Affairs, European Commission

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<sup>1</sup> Last updated: 24 February 2014.



09:50 - 10:05 Presentation on the EU strategy for reconciling sustainability and industrial competitiveness by **Marzena Rogalska**, Head of Unit, DG Enterprise, European Commission

10:05 - 10:20 Presentation of the European Commission report on energy prices and costs by **Silvia Rezessy**, Policy Analyst, DG Energy, European Commission

### 10:20 - 11:20 Presentation of the studies

*Objective is to present the methodology used in the set of CEPS studies, the results of the cross-sectoral analysis as well as the results of the studies for the energy-intensive sectors.*

10:20 - 10:30 Presentation of the objectives of the studies & methodology by **Christian Egenhofer**, Associate Senior Research Fellow, CEPS

10:30 - 10:40 Presentation of the Cross-Sectoral Analysis by **Fabio Genoese**, Research Fellow, CEPS

10:40 - 11:20 Presentation of the results for the energy-intensive industry sectors

- Chemicals (ammonia & chlorine) by **Vasileios Rizos**, Researcher, CEPS
- Flat glass by **Susanna Roth**, Visiting Mistra Fellow, CEPS
- Ceramics (wall and floor tiles & bricks and roof tiles) by **Julian Wieczorkiewicz**, Research Assistant, CEPS
- Steel by **Giacomo Luchetta**, Researcher, CEPS
- Aluminium by **Lorna Schrefler**, Research Fellow & Head of Regulatory Policy Unit, CEPS

11:20 - 11:50 Comments by the industry sectors and stakeholders

11:50 - 12:10 Coffee break

### 12:10 - 13:30 Level and drivers of EU energy prices

*Drawing on the results of the CEPS studies as well as on evidence from other similar studies, the event will then feature a panel discussion on the level and drivers of EU energy prices. The session will conclude with a discussion open to all interested participants.*

12:10 - 13:00 Panel discussion (10 min for each) co-chaired by **Christian Egenhofer**, Associate Senior Research Fellow, Head of the Energy and Climate Change Programme, CEPS and **Lorna Schrefler**, Research Fellow & Head of Regulatory Policy Unit, CEPS

- **Ismo Ulvila**, Policy Officer, DG CLIMA, European Commission
- **Ulrika Wising**, Head of Section - Sustainable Energy Use Europe, DNV GL - Energy
- **Adam White**, Research Coordinator on Climate and Energy, WWF
- **Alessandro Cisotta**, Policy Analyst, DG Enterprise, European Commission
- **Silvia Rezessy**, Policy Analyst, DG Energy, European Commission



13:00 - 13:30 Discussion open to all interested participants

13:30 - 14:30 Lunch