

# EUROPEAN ENERGY SECURITY

## ONE YEAR INTO RUSSIA'S WAR IN UKRAINE

### CONFERENCE

19 April 2023, 09:00-15:15

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One year after the start of Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine, we want to create a space to reflect on how the events of recent months are affecting energy security in Europe and what the priorities should be in the coming period. In its aggression against Ukraine, Russia used Europe's dependence on its fuels as an element of pressure. The European Union reacted in solidarity and decided on a radical step - economic sanctions and cutting off supplies from Russia.

The next few months will significantly impact the approach to energy security. The relationships between the European Union and the United States are essential to break the dependence on Russia. Traditionally, energy security meant secure fossil fuel supply chains. Now, this definition should change. Renewables and energy efficiency will play an increasingly important role. An energy system based on variable energy sources has many advantages, but it needs to be much more flexible to operate safely and reliably. It is also pushing us toward dependence on rare earth metals imports. What should be the new definition of energy security? How is energy transition changing our approach to it?

Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine has another energy dimension affecting the energy security of the EU. Russia has decided to destroy the energy infrastructure in Ukraine to make it more difficult to rebuild the country after the war. For the world, which has already come out in support of Ukraine, this means a more significant commitment to restoring heat and electricity supplies. What should the reconstruction of Ukraine look like? What needs do Ukraine have? What are the priorities? How to make the energy infrastructure in Ukraine more resilient? We will be answering all these listed questions during our conference.

#### Objectives of the event:

- To diagnose energy security deficits in Europe;
- Drawing lessons from the crisis for enhancing Europe's energy resilience;
- To prepare for the next winter
- While diversifying from Russian fuels, how to avoid other dependencies?
- To exchange opinions on the directions, ways, and tools for rebuilding Ukraine's energy sector after the war and improving the energy security of the EU's Eastern neighbours.

# CONFERENCE AGENDA

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The conference will be streamed live in English on YouTube.



**09.00** Registration and welcoming coffee

**09.30** Opening and welcoming remarks

**Piotr Buras**, Head, European Council on Foreign Relations Warsaw

**Dr. Joanna Maćkowiak-Pandera**, CEO, Forum Energii

**09.35**

**Part 1**

**Is the EU energy and climate policy in Poland's interest?**

**PANELISTS:**

**Paweł Musiałek**, President, Jagiellonian Club

**Adam Traczyk**, Director, More in Common Poland

**MODERATORS:**

**Piotr Buras**, Head, European Council on Foreign Relations Warsaw

**Dr. Joanna Maćkowiak-Pandera**, CEO, Forum Energii

**10.40**

**Part 2**

**Responding to the energy and climate crisis - how to become more resilient?**

**Video keynote:**

**Kadri Simson**, Commissioner for Energy, European Commission

**PANELISTS:**

**Mats Engström**, Senior Policy Fellow, European Council on Foreign Relations

**Dr. Georg Zachmann**, Senior Fellow, Bruegel

**Diana-Paula Gherasim**, Research Fellow, Center for Energy & Climate, French Institute of International Relations (IFRI)

**Monika Morawiecka**, Senior Advisor, Regulatory Assistance Project

**MODERATOR:**

**Jakub Wiech**, Editor-In-Chief, Energetyka24.com

**12.00**

**Lunch**

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## Part 3

### Partnership, cooperation and integration: Shaping the EU-Ukraine energy relationship

#### Video keynote:

Yaroslav Demchenkov, Deputy Minister of Energy, Ukraine

#### PANELISTS:

Dr. Oleksandr Antonenko, Senior Energy Efficiency, Climate and Renewable Energy Official & Ukraine Task Force Leader, Energy Charter

Adam Cwetsch, Head, European Green Deal Unit, Energy Community Secretariat

Roman Nitsovych, Research Director, DiXi Group

Kateryna Polyakova, Director, European-Ukrainian Energy Agency

#### MODERATOR:

Maciej Zaniewicz, Senior Analyst, Forum Energii

14.00

## Part 4

### The future of energy security in Europe: How to avoid new asymmetric dependencies

#### PANELISTS:

Dr. Szymon Kardaś, Senior Policy Fellow, European Council on Foreign Relations

Dr. Susanne Nies, Project Lead Helmholtz Center Berlin

Velina Tchakarova, Founder, FACE For A Conscious Experience, former Director, Austrian Institute for European and Security Policy

Frauke Thies, Executive Director, Agora Energiewende

#### MODERATOR:

Zuzanna Nowak, Senior Energy and Climate Analyst, Polish Institute of International Affairs

15.00

## Conference summary & networking

The participation of the ECFR as a co-organizer of the Conference is possible thanks to the support of Orange Polska

