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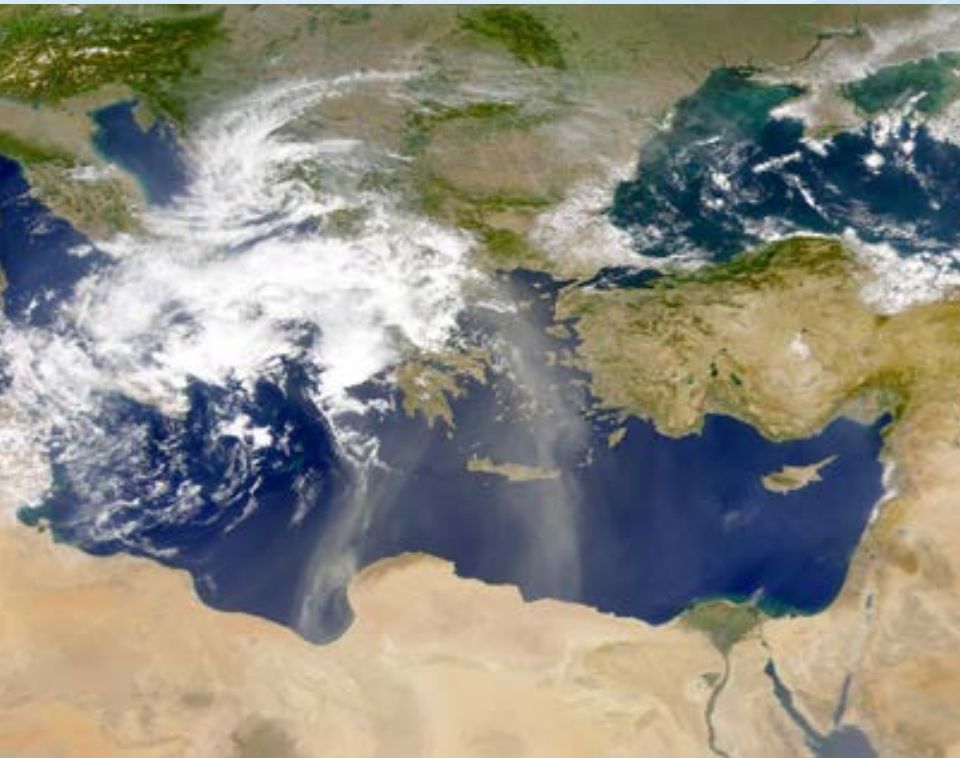
* International Confederation of Energy Regulators ** Integration of Electricity Markets of Maghreb Countries

MEDREG started in May 2006 as a voluntary working group to establish cooperation among Mediterranean Energy Regulators and became a permanent regional organisation in November 2007. The European Union has been a continuous promoter of MEDREG since its creation, through the active involvement of the DG Energy and DG Development and Cooperation of the European Commission, which encourages and financially supports its activities.

- 1 Promote a greater **harmonization of the energy markets** and legislations and seek progressive market integration in the Euro-Mediterranean region
- 2 Foster **sustainable development in the energy sector** through greater efficiency and integration of energy markets based on secure, safe, cost-effective and environmentally sustainable energy systems
- 3 Support **initiatives of common interest** in key areas such as infrastructure investment and development, innovative financing solutions for the Mediterranean area, and research in the field of energy regulation
- 4 Provide **capacity development activities** through working groups, training sessions and seminars
- 5 Foster **cooperation, information exchange and assistance** among members, providing a permanent discussion framework and cooperation network

MISSION





STRATEGY

Regulation in the energy field is a necessary tool to guarantee a stable set of rules and technical standards. The regulatory framework has to be constantly adapted to the changing economic conditions.

MEDREG works to share information, expertise and good practices among its members, thus helping them to reinforce their institutional capacities and encourage appropriate reforms.

To reach its objectives, MEDREG promotes a permanent exchange of know-how, data collection and dissemination of expertise through comprehensive studies, recommendations, reports and specialised training sessions.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly is the decision making body responsible for defining MEDREG's strategy and approving the Action Plan, operational guidelines, budget and position papers elaborated by the Groups and Task Forces.

It is composed of high level representatives of MEDREG members. The General Assembly meets every six months on a principle of rotation among MEDREG's members.

*MEDREG General Assembly,
Alexandria of Egypt, 5 June 2013*



STEERING COMMITTEE

The Steering Committee prepares the work of the General Assembly and supervises the implementation of the Action Plan.

The Steering Committee is composed of the President, the Vice-Presidents, the Chairpersons of Groups and Task Forces as well as the Secretariat.

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INSTITUTIONAL ISSUES (INS GROUP)



This Group has the objective of enhancing closer coordination among MEDREG members through the promotion of the role and competencies of independent regulatory authorities, and promoting a consolidated institutional presence of the Association in the EU and international context. The INS Group coordinates the dialogue on energy regulation with the European Union, international institutions, regional organisations of regulators and other bodies.



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GAS (GAS GROUP)



This Group assesses the current status of natural gas and LNG markets in Mediterranean countries, their relevant regulatory frameworks and possible evolutions. The GAS Group elaborates Guidelines of Good Practice (GGP) and recommendations that could lead to the development of an integrated, competitive, secure and effective gas market in the region.



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ELECTRICITY (ELE GROUP)



This Group is in charge of assessing the current status of electricity markets and regulatory frameworks in MEDREG countries and their possible developments. The ELE AG has the mission to identify and propose basic requirements that will lead to the harmonization of energy regulation in MEDREG countries, developing a competitive, strengthened and well functioning regional electricity market in the region.



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ENVIRONMENT, RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY (RES GROUP)



This Group focuses on the legislative and regulatory mechanisms used to promote renewable electricity generation, energy efficiency and RES deployment in the Mediterranean basin.



Luis Jesús Sánchez de Tembleque
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INTEGRATION OF ELECTRICITY MARKETS OF MAGHREB COUNTRIES (IMME TF)

The IMME activities are supported by the European Union. The Task Force is engaged in the implementation of the IMME Action Plan 2010-2015 for the integration of electricity markets of Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia. MEDREG organizes capacity building activities through the implementation of seminars whose content complies with the expectations expressed by the IMME Technical Committee.



COOPERATION WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF ENERGY REGULATORS (ICER TF)

The Task Force on ICER provides coordination among the MEDREG representatives in the four ICER Virtual Working Groups. The Task Force is also coordinating MEDREG involvement in the World Forum on Energy Regulation.



CONSUMER ISSUES (CUS TF)

The Task Force on Consumer Issues works on enhancing the protection of household consumers in the MEDREG countries. The work of the Task Force includes surveys and recommendations on energy billing, consumer protection and information. The Task Force also identifies and promotes best practices in consumer protection, including vulnerable customers and quality of service for electricity and gas.



THE SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat implements MEDREG strategy defined by all GA members, enhancing MEDREG's accountability and institutional cooperation in the Mediterranean energy sector. MEDREG Secretariat provides continuous support to the President, Vice-Presidents and all members. Moreover, MEDREG Secretariat strongly fosters information exchange among its members through a Communication Officers network that promotes the association's message in each member country.



EXTERNAL RELATIONS

- The main objective of MEDREG's external relations strategy is to share MEDREG positions and recommendations for a common vision of energy regulation at regional level.
- MEDREG has initiated an intense institutional cooperation with international organisations, financial institutions, regional associations (companies, consumers, traders, etc.), press and media.
- To increase its visibility, MEDREG implements diversified communication tools such as the website, a newsletter, publications, participation in international conferences, and relations with the media.



ACCOUNTABILITY

- MEDREG received explicit political endorsement as point of reference for energy regulation at regional level (Declaration of the Euro-Mediterranean Energy Ministers meeting in Limassol in 2007, Declaration of the Euro-Mediterranean Foreign Affairs Ministers meeting in Marseille in 2008, “G8+ Energy Regulators Round Table” in Rome in 2009).
- MEDREG is identified as one of the key actors for energy cooperation and market integration in the region by the ITRE Committee of the European Parliament (EP) in a 2011 report on the “Energy Strategy in the Southern Mediterranean”. As stated by the EU Commissioner for Energy *“EU co-funding enables increased synergies between the various key regional cooperation structures dealing with energy.”*
- MEDREG is considered as a “ regional institution” able to support the Maghreb countries in 2013 through a technical assistance project (Joint Communication “Supporting closer cooperation and regional integration in the Maghreb” adopted by the European Commission on 17 December 2012).



- MEDREG was granted with the status of Observer by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM) in 2008.
- MEDREG is involved as an institutional partner in the implementation of the IMME Action Plan 2010-2015 (Integration of Electricity Markets of Maghreb countries).
- MEDREG is a founding member of the International Confederation of Energy Regulators (ICER).
- MEDREG supports the organisation of the 6th World Forum on Energy Regulators, to be held in Istanbul in 2015.
- MEDREG won the ICER Distinguished Scholar Award 2010 presenting the effects of the introduction of successful mechanisms to promote RES and CHP/ Energy Efficiency in non-EU countries, May 2010.



NETWORK

INSTITUTIONS

EUROPEAN UNION

European Commission,
European Parliament and
European Council

CEER

Council of European
Energy Regulators

AFUR

African Forum
for Utility Regulators

ICER

International
Confederation
of Energy Regulators

PAM

Parliamentary Assembly
of the Mediterranean

UfM

Union
for the Mediterranean

ECRB

Energy Community
Regulatory Board

UNECE

United Nations Economic
Commission for Europe

ERRA

Energy Regulators Regional
Association

OTHER PARTNERS

Med-TSO

Transmission System
Operators
of the Mediterranean Basin

GIE

Gas Infrastructure
Europe

DESERTEC

Consortium of Renewable
Energy Industries
with a focus on developing
Clean Power in Desert areas

MEDGRID

Consortium of Grid Operators
and Industries
of the Mediterranean region

MEDELEC

Association of Electricity
Companies of the
Mediterranean Region

OME

Observatoire Méditerranéen
de l'Énergie

RCREEE

The Regional Center
for Renewable Energy
and Energy Efficiency

EFET

European Federation
of Energy Traders

RES4MED

Renewables for the
Mediterranean

FINANCIAL ORGANISATIONS

EIB

European Investment
Bank

EBRD

European Bank
for Reconstruction and
Development

ADB

African Development
Bank

INFRAMED

Investment Fund for
Infrastructures in the
Mediterranean Region

WB

World Bank

- 1 Benchmarking Assessment on Environment, RES and Energy Efficiency, *NOVEMBER 2012.*
- 2 Case Study on the Application of Article 9 on Flexibility Mechanisms in the EU Directive 2009/28/CE, *JUNE 2012.*
- 3 A Master Plan for the Establishment of a Regional Mediterranean Electricity market, *JUNE 2012.*
- 4 Assessment of the Possible Effects of Extending the Functioning of National Mechanisms to a Supra-National Level for RES and CHP, *DECEMBER 2011.*
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- 6 Survey on the Legal Framework for Management of Electricity Interconnections in the Mediterranean Region, *DECEMBER 2011.*
- 7 Status Review on Third Party Access to Gas infrastructure in the Mediterranean region, *DECEMBER 2011.*
- 8 Status review of Transparency and monitoring of GGP recommendations in Mediterranean Gas Markets, *JUNE 2011.*
- 9 Recommendations on minimum requirements considered necessary to ensure Consumer Protection in the field of electricity and gas in the Mediterranean region, *JUNE 2011.*

PUBLICATIONS



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