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New instruments for an ambitious EU energy saving policy

A Greens/EFA conference

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> Introduction

Claude Turmes, MEP, rapporteur for the Energy Efficiency Directive (15 min)

Energy savings - EU's most important energy source of the next decades

> Part 1: Mandatory energy saving obligations - or why the EU needs a new business model for its energy and gas companies

Expert input: (2 x 15 min)

- **Richard Cowart**, Director, The Regulatory Assistance Project (RAP)

The merits of energy saving obligations - global experiences

- **Eoin Lees**, consultant, former head of UK energy saving trust

Existing energy savings models in the EU and what we can learn from them

Discussion (45 min)

- **Graham Kirby**, regulation and energy policy manager for E.ON's retail market unit in the UK

- Mr. **Michael Mikkelsen**, Scan Energy, DK

> Part 2: A demand response market for EU or how to give additional economic value to (electricity) savings

Expert input:

- **Jorge Vasconcelos**, Chairman of NEWES, founding chairman of the Council of European energy regulators (CEER)

Why demand response is a key element in EU futures power (and gas?) market

- **Richard O'Neill**, Chief Economic Advisor, US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)
Demand bidding in US - recent experiences and lessons to learn

- **A representative from the IEA** (International Energy Agency) (name tbc)

Discussion (45 min)

- **Alberto Pototschnig**, Director of Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER)

- **Claude Breining**, Director of European Affairs, Schneider Electric

> Conclusion

Claude Turmes, MEP

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