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# Uptake, Integration & Harmonisation of Renewables in Albania



## HARDTALK

### AGENDA

Day 1 of 2, Tuesday, 6 July 2021, 09:30-12:40 CET

**Network Integration:** *What needs to be done to integrate and harmonise renewables within the network?*

**09:30-09:55 Welcome Address & Introduction**

Mr. Laurence Green, Renewable Energy Expert, German Energy Agency (dena)

Ms. Rana Adib, Executive Director, REN21 Secretariat

Mr. Adrian Bylyku, Executive Director, National Agency of Natural Resources (AKBN)

Ms. Rudina Xhelilaj, General Director Energy Policy Development, Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (MIE)

Mr. Michael Hackethal, Head of Division - International Energy Cooperation, German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi)

**09:55-10:05 Introduction to Hard Talk Day 1**

Mr. Gianluca Sambucini, Secretary of GERE/UNECE

Mr. Oleg Dzioubinski, Regional Advisor on Energy, UNECE

**10:05-10:15 Topic / Challenge Introduction**

Ms. Petya Icheva, Programme Officer – South East Europe, IRENA

**10:15-10:50 Perspective Presentations**

***Albanian Renewable Energy Action Plan***

Ms. Rudina Xhelilaj, General Director Energy Policy Development, Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (MIE)

***RES Developments and the Respective Challenges and Solutions***

Mr. Besim Islami, CEO, Energy Environmental Consulting Group (EECG)

***Renewable Energy Prices in Albania***

Mr. Elton Radheshi, Energy Regulatory Authority (ERE)

***Renewables and Electricity Transmission in Albania***

Mr. Elio Voshtina, Head of Operational Planning, Transmission System Operator (OST)

***Integration of RES in the Distribution Network, Actual Situation and Future Challenges***

Mr. Petraq Lika, Technical Director, Electricity Distribution System Operator (OSHEE)



**10:50-11:30 Open Discussion Round 1: Key Issues, Bottlenecks and Positive Directions**

Moderation: Mr. Gianluca Sambucini, Secretary of GERE/UNECE

**11:30-11:50 Break**

**11:50-12:00 Presentation of Main Discussion Points and Possible Solutions**

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**12:00-12:30 Open Discussion Round 2: Solution & Recommendation Refinement**

Moderation: Mr. Gianluca Sambucini, Secretary of GERE/UNECE

**12:30-12:35 Conclusions and Recommendations**

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**12:35-12:40 Summary & Next Steps**

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## AGENDA

**Day 2 of 2, Wednesday, 7 July 2021, 09:30-12:40 CET**

- **RE Support:** *How can current support mechanisms for renewable energy deployment be strengthened and improved?*
- **Project Development:** *How can bankability of project ideas and proposals be improved?*

**09:30-09:40 Housekeeping and Summary of Day 1**

Mr. Laurence Green, Renewable Energy Expert, German Energy Agency (dena)  
Mr. Artan Leskoviku, Director of Renewables, National Agency of Natural Resources (AKBN)

**09:40-09:50 Introduction to Hard Talk Day 2**

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**09:50-10:00 Topic / Challenge Introduction**

Ms. Petya Icheva, Programme Officer – South East Europe, IRENA

**10:00-10:30 Perspective Presentations**

***Albanian Legal and Regulatory Framework of RES***

Mr. Zija Kamberi, Legal and Regulatory Consultant

***RE and EBRD Support***

Mr. Adil Hanif, Associate Director Energy & Infrastructure Policy, EBRD

***RE Project Development***

Mr. Xavier Mulliez, Project Director, Voltalia Albania

***RE Project Development***

Ms. Ermela Hoxha, Energy Trader for Albania & SE Europe, Statkraft Albania

Mr. Rezart Çela, Power Market Coordinator, Statkraft Albania

**10:30-11:10 Open Discussion Round 1: Key Issues, Bottlenecks and Positive Directions**

Moderation: Ms. Aleksandra Novikova, REN21 / AvantGarde Group

**11:10-11:30 Break**

**11:30-11:40 Presentation of Main Discussion Points and Possible Solutions**

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**11:40-12:10 Open Discussion Round 2: Solution & Recommendation Refinement**

Moderation: Ms. Aleksandra Novikova, REN21 / AvantGarde Group

**12:10-12:25 Conclusions and Recommendations**

Mr. Laurence Green, Renewable Energy Expert, German Energy Agency (dena)



**12:25-12:35 Summary & Next Steps**

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**12:35-12:40 Hard Talk Wrap-up & End**

Mr. Adrian Bylyku, Executive Director, National Agency of Natural Resources (AKBN)

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