



# ERRA 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference looking into Sustainable Regulation under New Market Paradigms starts next week, with an Opening Ceremony on October 9.



#### More than

## 170 energy regulators and energy industry professionals

from

### 36 countries

will gather on October 9-10 in Budapest for the 20th conference organized by the Energy Regulators Regional Association. The two-day event will carefully analyse what has happened with the energy markets across the world in the turbulent year 2022, how did the situation evolve in 2023 and what are the lessons learnt and outlooks for the short-to-midterm, also from the perspective of long-term energy transition ambitions and climate action goals.

The Annual Conference is ERRA's largest annual public event and it provides an educational, discussion and networking platforms to its member regulators joined by other sector representatives such as system operators, utilities, traders, consultants, and academics.

### This year's program will cover 7 sessions with the following focus:















ERRA is proud to inform about its extensive research done prior the event which bears fruit with multiple publications prepared for October 2023:

Energy Crisis and Regulatory **Considerations** for the Future **Market Model** 

The Evolutionary Journey of

Energy

Regulators:

Navigating the

**Transforming** 

Landscape of

Energy

Regulation

By drawing on examples from a wide range of countries, with different energy markets and systems, the report provides:

- An overview of short-term policy and regulatory measures adopted to address the crisis (mostly to support access to affordable energy) and lessons that emerge from these;
- In the context of evolving energy supply and market paradigms, consideration of longer-term policies and measures, including for electricity market design.

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In the modern energy landscape, regulators are critical in fostering competitive energy markets and safeguarding consumers' interests. discussions within scientific circles emphasize the significance of understanding the future trajectory of energy regulators.

- This research paper traces the evolutionary journey of energy regulators, spanning from foundational aspects like licensing and tariff setting to the complexities of market liberalization and beyond.
- The study incorporates a global survey, exploring vital dimensions of energy regulation, including primary goals, influencing factors, challenges, consumer protection, international cooperation, climate change, and technological disruptions.

Culminating in essential research findings, the paper offers insights into the evolving role of energy regulators, guiding the transition toward a sustainable energy future.

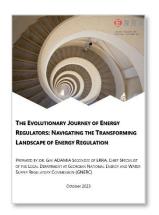
The report summarizes the current developments in terms of energy transformation in 15 ERRA member

countries based on the following categories:

Current situation (energy transition motivations, targets, fundamental steps, technologies, policies, pilots etc.)

- Opportunities and Challenges (barriers,
- facilitators, new technologies) Variable energy resources (integration question and flexibility)
- Other energy transition concepts (additional regulations, transition fuel)





Status Quo Report on Energy **Transition in 15 ERRA Member** Countries



Report on Investment Regulation Evaluation, Approval and **Risk Mitigation** Approaches for Large Investment Projects with a Focus on Non-EU Solutions

Regulating energy investments is essential in the given time due to the large increase in the requests for energy investments in many countries. It is important for regulators to establish set rules and procedures to ensure that energy investors are complying with the set laws and regulations in place. In addition, incentives given to investors should be key in attracting further investments within countries.



To understand these rules and procedures in different countries, a survey was sent to ERRA Electricity Markets and Economic Regulation Committee (EMER COM) members where questions on approvals, approaches, evaluation and monitoring, treatments and planning, and risks areas of investment **regulations** are given. This enables energy investment features to be compared from one country to another to recognize how countries operate when it comes to regulating energy investments.



ERRA's 20th Annual Conference will be celebrated also outside of the main technical program – an official Gala Dinner, hosted by the Hungarian Energy and Public Utility Regulatory Authority, is scheduled for October 9 Gala Dinner at the Royal Riding Hall in Buda Castle. The Gala Dinner program will also host the official ceremony of the 2023 ERRA Regulatory Research Award.

The purpose of the ERRA Award is to present the latest research in the energy sector, particularly related to energy regulation and development of energy markets and reflecting on the most up-todate topics in the industry.

Detailed event agenda, speakers, sponsors and other is available at:

https://erranet.org/annual-conference/

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