



NATIONAL PARLIAMENTARY WORKSHOP

Staying Competitive in a Sustainable Future: The Critical Role of Renewables and Energy Efficiency in Slovenia

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Tuesday, 10th of November 2026; 9.30 – 13.30 EEST
Državni zbor RS, Šubičeva ulica 4, 1000 Ljubljana, Dvorana Državnega sveta

Working languages: English and Slovenian – simultaneous interpretation provided

HIGH LEVEL OPENING

Towards Sustainable Resilience: Integrating Climate Policy, Industry and Security in the Slovene Context 9:00 – 9:45

Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

- **9:00 – 9:10 Welcome**
Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES
- **9:10 – 9:20 Importance of understanding the implementation of sustainable energy policies**
Zoran Stevanovič, President of the Parliament
- **9:20 – 9:30 Removing Structural Barriers to foster the investments in Slovenia**
Dr. Anže Logar, Minister, Ministry of the Economy, Labour and Sport
- **9:30 – 9:45 Slovene National Energy and Climate Plan and the implementation of the EU Green Deal**
Jernej Vrtovec, Minister, Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy

Session 1

**Implementing EU energy efficiency and renewable energy policies
9:45 – 10:30**

- **9.45 – 9:55 Introduction by Ms. Andreja Katič**, President of the Committee on European Union Affairs
- **9.55 – 10:10 Implementing EU energy efficiency and renewable energy policies: priorities and opportunities for Slovenia**
- Yolanda Garcia Mezquita, Head of Unit, DG ENER, European Commission
- **10:10 – 10:30 Discussion with Members of Parliament**

10.45 – 11.15 Coffee break

Session 2
Energy Markets – Pillars of the Energy Transition
11:15 – 12:00

Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

- **11:15 – 11:25 Introduction by Mr. Aleš HOJS**, President of the committee for infrastructure and energy
- **11:25 – 11:35 Implementing ETS2 in the building sector**
ZRMK d.o.o. Building and Civil Engineering Institute
- **11:35 – 11:45 Strengthening energy resilience through smart grids, storage and production**
Institute Milan Vidmar
- **11:45 – 12:00 Discussion with Members of Parliament**

SESSION 3:
Energy efficiency as a driver of economic prosperity
12:00 – 13:00

Chair: Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

- **12:00 – 12:10 Introduction by Mr. Andrej Kosi**, President of the Committee for Environment and Spatial Planning
- **12:10 – 12:20 Clean Industrial Deal – How to meet Slovene national targets**
Yolanda Garcia Mezquita, Head of Unit, DG ENER, European Commission
- **12:30 – 12:40 Good practices in energy efficiency: Local and regional projects as a showcase for Slovenia and EU**
Dr. Vlasta Krmelj, Director, Energy and Climate Agency of Podravje
- **12:40 – 12:50 Discussion with Members of Parliament: What are successful narratives for the energy transition in Slovenia?**

Panellists:

- **Zvonko Černač**, MP Slovenia
- **Matjaž Han**, MP Slovenia
- **Vladimir Šega**, MP Slovenia

Closing Remarks

Jan Geiss, Secretary General, EUFORES

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