

Programme of the Informal Meeting of Energy Ministers

Luxembourg, 23rd September 2015

New energy technologies as business and investment opportunities for Europe

- 8:15 – 8:45** **Doorstep and welcome by Étienne Schneider**, Deputy Prime Minister,
Minister of the Economy
- 8:45 – 9:00** **Opening statements by Étienne Schneider**, Deputy Prime Minister,
Minister of the Economy and **Miguel Arias Cañete**, EU Commissioner for
Climate Action and Energy
- Moderator: Peter O'Donnell**
- 9:00 – 9:30** **Introduction speech by Jeremy Rifkin**, academic and author

9:30 – 12:35 **Morning session**
["Business world and new energy technologies"](#)

9:30 – 10:00 **Session 1: ["The new energy technologies and business potential"](#)**

Speakers:

- **João Manso Neto**, CEO EDP
- **Mark Shorrock**, CEO Tidal Lagoon Power

10:00 – 10:30 **Ministers reactions**

10:30 – 10:50 **Coffee break**

10:50 – 11:50 **Session 2: [“The upcoming clean disruption”](#)**

Speakers:

- **Bertrand Piccard**, Solar Impulse
- **Elon Musk**, CEO/Chairman, Tesla, Tesla Powerwall, SolarCity

11:50 – 12:35 **Ministers reactions**

12:35 – 12:45 **Family photo**

12:45 – 14:00 Working lunch “Energy and development aid”

Introduction remarks by Étienne Schneider, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of the Economy and **Romain Schneider**, Minister for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Affairs, and **Miguel Arias Cañete**, EU Commissioner for Climate Action and Energy

Speakers:

- **Adnan Z. Amin**, Director-General of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)
- **Jean-Louis Borloo**, former minister of Economy and Environment of France, founder of foundation “Energies pour l’Afrique”

14:00 – 16:40 Afternoon session “EU financing tools, the ‘Juncker Plan’, and new tax models: how to lift financing and investment to face the EU energy transition?”

14:00 – 14:05 **Opening remarks by Étienne Schneider**, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of the Economy

14:05 – 15:00 [“New opportunities linked to the European Fund for Strategic Investments and the EU financing landscape for energy”](#)

Speakers:

- **Jyrki Katainen**, Vice-President of the European Commission for Jobs, Growth, Investment and Competitiveness
- **Ambroise Fayolle**, Vice-President, European Investment Bank
- **Claude Turmes**, MEP
- **Dominique Ristori**, Director-General for Energy, European Commission

15:00 – 16:20 **Ministerial interventions**

16:20 – 16:40 [“Mobilizing investments towards the energy transition”](#)

Speakers:

- **Peter Sweatman**, Climate Strategy & Partners
- **Christian de Perthuis**, la Chaire Economie du Climat

16:40 – 17:00 **Informal Council conclusions by Étienne Schneider**, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of the Economy and **Miguel Arias Cañete**, EU Commissioner for Climate Action and Energy