

Report on the BAEE Activities in 2013

2013 was the second year of the new BAEE. We organized three events in three different cities: The Hague, Brussels and Leuven.

2nd Policy Workshop, jointly organized with NEVER:

In cooperation with the Netherlands Association of Energy Law (NEVER), we organized a seminar on tariff regulation in The Hague on 31 January 2013. The theme of the workshop was the question whether there is a need to harmonize the regulation of network tariffs within Europe. Speakers came from TenneT, GTS, VEMW, ACM and RUG. This workshop, which attracted about 80 participants, including lawyers and economist, was organized by Hamilcar Knops (TU Delft and board member of the BAEE) in cooperation with Martha Roggenkamp of Never and Machiel Mulder (ACM/RUG and board member of the BAEE).

3rd Policy workshop, jointly organized with the Federal Planning Bureau

The 3rd Policy workshop was on the issue of investments in the generation capacity. The theme was “Do we need more, and if so, how do we achieve it?”. With speakers from ENTSO and CERA and discussants from, amongst others, Essent and CREG, the workshop gave in-depth insights in this key issue of current electricity markets. This event, which took place in Brussels on 7 May 2013, attracted about 40 participants. It was organized by Guido Pepermans (Hogeschool Brussel and board member of the BAEE), Bert Willems (University of Tilburg and board member of the BAEE) in cooperation with the Belgian Federal Planning Bureau.

2nd BAEE Research Workshop on Energy Economics:

In Research Workshops, Master and PhD-students as well as experienced researchers present papers on energy economics. The purpose of these workshops is to facilitate networking between energy economics researchers in the Benelux. On 4 October 2013, the 2nd BAEE Research Workshop on Energy Economics was held at the KU Leuven. In the morning we had four and in the afternoon two concurrent sessions in which (PhD-)students from both Belgium and the Netherlands presented their work. The workshop started by a keynote lecture by Jan Bouckaert of the University of Antwerp on intermittent generation and investments in generation capacity, while Bert Willems of the University of Tilburg gave his views on this topic as the discussant. This workshop which attracted about 40 participants was organized by Stef Proost of the KU Leuven and Laurens de Vries (TU Delft and BAEE board member).