

Albanian Energy Regulatory Authority (ERE) and the Energy Community Secretariat (ECS) in Vienna, exchange views on further development of the power market in Albania.

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On 19 April 2023, representatives of the Albanian Energy Regulatory Authority (ERE) visited the premises of the Energy Community Secretariat for a bilateral meeting. Both institutions have a long-standing history of working together successfully on energy market reforms in Albania. The ERE team was led by ERE Chairman Mr. Petrit Ahmeti.

The meeting focused on further developments of the electricity market in Albania following the launch of the day-ahead market operated by the Albanian Power Exchange (ALPEX) on 11 April. These developments include the transposition and implementation of the electricity market integration package adopted in the Energy Community in December 2022, the designation of the Nominated Energy Market Operator (NEMO), market coupling projects, including next steps and challenges in joining the EU single day-ahead coupling and the monitoring role of ERE in this process.

On his speech ERE Chairman Mr. Ahmeti emphasized the institution's commitment and determination to confront with the challenges that arise as result of developments in the sector, which are connected with the day ahead market operation, the electricity market coupling with Kosovo and the region beyond, the coordination with the interested parties for the legal and regulatory amendments for adopting the electricity package as well as the regulatory acts regarding the new legislation for the renewable resources. Among other things Mr. Ahmeti showed his satisfaction for the fruitful cooperation between these institutions as well as the faith that this cooperation will be developed further in the future.

Deputy Director Dirk Buschle said: "Albania has again assumed a leading role in the power market development recently. The challenge will now be ensuring that ALPEX becomes a liquid trading place, used by public and private players alike. ERE's role in this and the integration of Albania in the European power markets has been and will be crucial. By taking over the responsibility to issue guarantees of origin for electricity produced from renewable sources under the regional system established by the Secretariat, ERE will also make sure that Albania's wealth of green energy is given a proper value for the sake of the European Green Deal."

For further information please refer to the link below:
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