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Press Release

The Energy Regulatory Authority (ERE) and the Energy Regulatory Office of Kosovo (ZRRE) intensify their bilateral cooperation

Representatives of the Energy Regulatory Authority (ERE) of Albania and the Energy Regulatory Office (ZRRE) of Kosovo held a working meeting on May 6, 2016, in Tirana, to further develop and strengthen bilateral relations and to determine the main areas where they shall focus their further cooperation.

ERE Chairman, Mr. Petrit Ahmeti, and ZRRE Chairman, Mr. Enver Halimi, evaluated as necessary the intensification of cooperation between the two regulators. This cooperation takes on greater importance especially now, when both countries are working to realize the functioning of the electricity market coupling.

The comparability of the legislation, especially secondary legislation; the establishment of an Electricity Market Coupling, as well as accession to international institutions are considered as common priorities of this cooperation. These shall be achieved through the exchange of experiences and expertise of the two regulators.

Experts from the two Regulators have presented to their counterparts the challenges they are currently facing and have exchanged professional opinions regarding the most appropriate choices of economic regulation practices in the power sector.

Transposition of EU legislation, maintaining independence, establishment and monitoring of the market have been identified as the main challenges currently facing the two regulators. It is therefore assessed that cooperation and exchange of experiences shall help the regulators in achieving common goals.

Representatives of the two Regulators have decided that the next meeting shall be held in Pristina where the Joint Action Plan shall be approved, which shall define the priorities and specific areas where the future activity of the Partnership shall be focused.

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