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In Brussels on the challenges to the energy sector

The “Energy & Climate Changemakers” event was organised by Politico with the support of the Polish Electricity Association (PKEE). The meeting, attended by MEP Ville Niinistö and Mirosław Kowalik, President of Enea and Vice-president of the PKEE, took place in Brussels on the 6th of November 2019.

The members of the PKEE are following the global trends of renewable energy development

Mirosław Kowalik, CEO of Enea & Vice-President PKEE in his speech opening the “Energy & Climate Changemakers” event pointed out that energy transition is a process planned for decades, which requires a stable legal framework and, most importantly, a number of financial support instruments:

*- The goals of the EU energy and climate policy should be the engine driving the European economy, not its brakes. This is why it is important to develop a plan for the implementation of the EU 2050 Long-term energy strategy. The plan has to take into account the different starting points of the Member States and also provide for dedicated funds for the transformation of the energy sector – added **Mr. Kowalik***

According to **PKEE’s Vice-president**, the modernisation of the energy sector requires long-term investments; this is why already today the renewable energy sources are an important element of the strategies of companies that are members of the Association:

*- The responsible low-carbon transition is one in which renewable and conventional energy sources complement each other. Therefore, in mid-October, the **Enea Group** established cooperation with the National Support Centre for Agriculture on the development of photovoltaics in Poland. As a result of the agreement, large-scale solar farms will be built on agricultural land belonging to the Centre. Enea also produces electricity from wind and water. In the first half of this year, the Group noted a 12% increase in production from renewable sources - he explained.*

MEP Niinistö talks about the energy and climate challenges

Ville Niinistö, Member of the European Parliament and Coordinator of the Greens in the ITRE Committee noted that the Green Deal should be the foundation for conducting a broad reform of the European economy.

- Without a doubt, it will require investments and financial outlays. Nevertheless, we must remember that this is about our future because these will be investments in the real economy, jobs and in increasing productivity throughout the European Union. Moreover, I believe that the Green Deal must concern a sustainable and ecological transformation that will cover not only the economic but also social issues. Then we will succeed - he said.



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About PKEE

The Polish Electricity Association is an association of the power sector, whose activities focus on issues related to the functioning of the industry in a modern market economy. We engage in actions and projects thanks to which the Polish power industry can better meet the challenges related to the European integration, ensuring security of energy supply, competitive market, environmental protection and development of state-of-the-art technologies.

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