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INFORMATION NOTE

from: General Secretariat of the Council
to: Delegations
Subject: Work programme of the incoming Presidency
- Information from the Greek delegation

Delegations will find attached the abovementioned information note.

In view of the incoming Greek Presidency, the Energy Council will be informed of the energy priorities and of the main events in the energy field scheduled during the first semester of 2014.

The Greek Presidency will address issues related to three landmark dates, namely: the 2014 deadline set for completing the internal market, the 2015 deadline by which no Member State should remain isolated from Europe's networks and the 2015 International Climate Change Agreement.

The Greek Presidency will seek to move forward the EU's energy and climate policies post 2020 on the basis of the awaited Communication from the Commission on "*Climate and Energy 2030 Framework*".

The drivers of energy prices and costs, the protection of vulnerable consumers, energy poverty as well as competitiveness of the overall energy sector will also be among the agenda of the Greek Presidency.

The completion of EU internal energy market, energy security and infrastructures are intended to be addressed by the Greek Presidency.

International relations in the field of energy and especially the value of multilateral frameworks such as, Energy Community of South East Europe, Union for the Mediterranean, will also be discussed.

As regards the legislative part, the Greek Presidency will work on concluding legislative issues possibly carried over from the Lithuanian Presidency (Indirect Land Use Change - ILUC).

These priorities set by the Greek Presidency will be reflected in the agendas of the two formal TTE Councils scheduled on 4 March 2014 and 12 June 2014, and of the informal Energy Ministerial on 15-16 May 2014.