

JRC workshop on experiences and policies on energy saving obligations and white certificates

27-28 January 2011

Centro congressi Ville Ponti, Piazza Litta 2, 21100 Varese (ITALY)

Workshop objectives

The purpose of the workshop is to provide a forum for policy makers and stakeholders to review and discuss outcomes and results of existing energy saving obligations and white certificate schemes in Europe and beyond. The main objective of the workshop is provide for critical assessment of core design issues drawing upon experiences gained in the actual design, implementation and evaluation of existing European schemes, such as sectoral coverage of the schemes, category of obliged parties (suppliers or distributors), importance of trading and market set-up, cost-recovery mechanisms, and penalties for non-compliance. Furthermore, key issues such as cost effectiveness of energy savings delivered by these schemes, including the cost of implementation, should also be explored so as to contrast and compare white certificate schemes with alternative policy instruments designed to deliver the same outcomes.

The workshop will take place in Varese (Italy) on 27-28 January 2011. There will be no registration fees. The language of the workshop is English.

Target groups

Energy efficiency policy analysts and experts, energy suppliers and distributors, regulatory bodies, ESCOs and other market actors, and environmental groups.

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WORKSHOP AGENDA

THURSDAY, 27 JANUARY 2011

09:00 *Participant registration*

Session 1: Supplier obligations and white certificate schemes: policy perspectives (part 1)

Chairman: Paolo Bertoldi, European Commission, DG Joint Research Centre

09:15 Welcome and introduction to the objectives of the workshop

09:30 Implementing the Energy Services Directive and the role of supplier obligations and white certificates

10:00 The Carbon Emission Reduction Target and the Community Energy Savings target: latest results and developments with supplier obligations in the UK

10:30 Distributor obligations and white certificates in Italy: developments and future plans

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 Energy saving obligations and white certificates in the second target period in France; key issues and expectations

12:00 Energy saving obligations in Poland

12:30 Lunch break

Session 2: Supplier obligations and white certificate schemes: policy perspectives (part 2)

Chairman: Silvia Rezessy, European Commission, DG Joint Research Centre

14:00 The REG public service obligation in the Flemish region of Belgium

14:30 The public service obligation in Denmark

15:00 Latest developments in energy efficiency portfolio standards in the United States

15:30 Coffee break

Session 3: Obligations on other energy market actors

Chairman: Silvia Rezessy, European Commission, DG Joint Research Centre

16:00 Energy saving targets: the case for placing other stakeholders under obligations

16:30 The Carbon Reduction Commitment energy efficiency scheme in the UK

17:00 Tokyo city program

17:30 Discussion

17:45 End of Day 1

Social dinner offered by the JRC (details on location to follow)

FRIDAY, 28 JANUARY 2011

Session 4: Supplier obligations and white certificate schemes: stakeholders' perspectives

Chair: DG ENER

09:00 Energy Service Company perspective

09:30 Promoting Energy Efficiency Services: activities, barriers and opportunities from an electricity company perspective

10:00 Large end-user perspective

11:00 Coffee break

Session 5: Energy saving obligations in the transport sector

11:30 Oil distributor's perspective

12:00 Ideas and Considerations for the Transport Sector

12:30 Lunch break

Panel discussion: stakeholders' views on supplier obligations and white certificates across the EU

Panel discussion 13:30 – 15:00

Details to follow

15:00 Closing discussion

15:30 End of day 2