



Register of Commission expert groups and other similar entities

Commission Expert Group

Name: Technical Working Group on environmental aspects of unconventional fossil fuels, in particular shale gas (E02671)
(Active - Group which operates on a permanent basis)

Policy Area: Environment

Lead DG: ENV - DG Environment

Type: Informal, Temporary

Scope: Limited

Mission: In Europe, the exploitation of unconventional fossil fuels, and in particular shale gas, has recently become a topical issue. The Technical Working Group represents a platform for information exchange between the Member States and the European Commission on environmental aspects of unconventional fossil fuels, in particular shale gas. The objectives of the Working Group are: - to swiftly identify and cover eventual knowledge gaps in relation to environmental and health risks of unconventional gas and in particular shale gas extraction; - to exchange information on priority issues and best practices for these projects - to jointly contribute to the Commission's efforts to assess the need for a risk management framework for such unconventional gas and in particular shale gas extraction.

Task: Coordinate with Member States, exchange of views

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Link to Website: http://ec.europa.eu/environment/integration/energy/unconventional_en.htm

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Additional Information

Activity Report

An eighth meeting took place on 17th March 2016. Agenda and minutes of the meeting:

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 89 kb)

[Document 2](#)

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Activity Report

A seventh meeting took place on 22 September 2015. Agenda and minutes of the meeting:

[Document 1](#)

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[Document 2](#)

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Activity Report

A sixth meeting took place on 10 March 2015. Agenda and minutes of the meeting:

[Document 1](#)

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Activity Report

A fifth meeting took place on 24 June 2014. Agenda and minutes of the meeting:

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Activity Report

A fourth meeting took place on 24 June 2013. Agenda and minutes of the meeting:

[Document 1](#)

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[Document 2](#)

(approx. 110 kb)

Activity Report

A third meeting took place on 8 April 2013. Agenda and minutes of the meeting:

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 177 kb)

[Document 2](#)

(approx. 85 kb)

Activity Report

A second meeting took place on 4 October 2012. Agenda and minutes of the meeting:

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 290 kb)

[Document 2](#)

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Activity Report

A first meeting took place on 27 January 2012. Agenda and minutes of the meeting:

[Document 1](#)

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Selection Procedure (members)

The members of this group are the Member States. It is for the authority of each Member State to decide on who will represent them.

Internal Rules of Procedure

Expert groups usually operate in an informal setting without any formal rules of procedure

Members

Type D - Member State Authority

Country		Membership Status
Austria	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Belgium	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Bulgaria	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Croatia	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Cyprus	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Czech Republic	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Denmark	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Estonia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Finland	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
France	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Germany	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Greece	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Hungary	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Ireland	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Italy	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Latvia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Lithuania	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Luxembourg	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Malta	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Netherlands	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Poland	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Portugal	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Romania	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Slovakia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Slovenia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Spain	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Sweden	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
United Kingdom	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member

Type E - Other public entity

Subgroups

No Subgroups assigned to this group.

Statistics

Number of Members: 28

Type A - Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type B - Individual expert appointed as representative of a common interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type C - Organisation:	0		
Type D - Member State Authority:	28		

Number of Alternate Members: 0

Type A - Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type B - Individual expert appointed as representative of a common interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type C - Organisation:	0		
Type D - Member State Authority:	0		

Number of Observers: 1

Type A - Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type B - Individual expert appointed as representative of a common interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type C - Organisation:	0		
Type D - Member State Authority:	0		