



Copenhagen, Aarhus, Hurup, Gothenburg, Kristinehamn
and Salzburg, May 2nd 2018

Invitation to International Conference on European Energy Policies

“Energy Transition in Europe: Options for Constitutional Reform”

Friday, June 8th 2018, 13.00-18.00, in The Common Hall (Fællessalen) in the Danish parliament building, Christiansborg.

Among others, the aim of the conference is to provide documentation for a Danish political platform for European energy and climate policies, which clarifies the different options for EU’s constitutional framework for a green energy transition.

The European Commission has given notice that the possibility of EURATOM reform and at least a discussion of the future of the EURATOM Treaty is now officially on the agenda. Five member states have noted that the EURATOM Treaty has not been substantially amended since its entry into force and needs to be brought up to date. Furthermore, EURATOM reform has been written into the German government coalition agreement. Thus, it can be expected that a constitutional amendment procedure will be initiated.

In the first part of the conference, we have invited prominent politicians to provide us with their views on European constitutional reform in the energy field. Afterwards, some of Europe’s leading experts will give presentations on and discuss the most important aspects of the future of the EURATOM Treaty.

Considering that EURATOM is energy-related, it could be argued that it would make political, strategic and tactical sense to include all energy-related proposals for constitutional reform simultaneously in the amendment procedure. The second part of the conference will focus on some of these proposals and among others try to answer the question: How big is the need for a new energy constitution for Europe and is such a constitution possible?

Conference program and registration for the conference (free of charge):

<https://www.noah.dk/kalender/energy-transition-europe-options-constitutional-reform>

The conference language is English. Changes in the program may occur.

Organisers of the conference:

NOAH – Friends of the Earth Denmark, the Danish Ecological Council, SustainableEnergy, Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, the Swedish NGO Office for Nuclear Waste Review, the Swedish Renewable Energies Organization and Plattform gegen Atomgefahren in Austria.

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