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INFORMATION NOTE

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to: Delegations
Subject: Work programme of the incoming Presidency
- Information from the Lithuanian delegation

Delegations will find attached the above mentioned information note.

Work programme of the incoming Presidency

In view of the incoming Lithuanian Presidency, the Energy Council will be informed of the priorities under the heading "Growing Europe" and of the main events in the energy field scheduled during the second semester of 2013.

Based on orientations set by the European Council meetings on energy in 2011 and 2013, the Lithuanian Presidency will focus its work on the completion of the EU internal energy market by 2014 and on strengthening the external dimension of EU energy policy.

As regards the legislative part, the Lithuanian Presidency will address the proposals on the Directive on biofuels ('ILUC') and on the Regulation on the notification of investment projects in energy infrastructure. The question of sustainability criteria for biomass will be tackled in accordance with the proposal to be tabled by the Commission. Finally, the Lithuanian Presidency is fully committed to facilitating discussions on the 2030 framework for EU climate and energy policies.

Priorities set by the Lithuanian Presidency will be reflected in the agenda of the Informal Energy Ministerial meeting on 19-20 September 2013 in Vilnius, and the formal TTE (Energy) Council on 12 December 2013 in Brussels. Moreover, a high level conference on the future of EU energy infrastructure, with particular focus on the implementation of the first European list of projects of common interest, will take place on 4-5 November 2013 in Vilnius.