

# International multidisciplinary discussion seminar

organized by Czech-Austrian Energy Expert Group (CZ-AT EEG)  
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Technology, the Institute for Economic and Environmental Policy (Jan Evangelista Purkyně  
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## Key steps for energy transformation in Central Europe

The entire energy sector is currently undergoing a profound transformation, with new forms of energy market organisation being sought, massive development of renewable energy sources, the development of energy communities, and the search for new energy storage technologies. Along with the search for effective ways to achieve the long-term decarbonisation goal by 2050, the issues of diversification of energy sources and ensuring energy security are now increasingly coming to the fore. The transformation of the energy sector is also bringing new solutions such as the development of agrivoltaic applications, citizen participation in the development of the energy sector in the form of energy communities.

During the workshop experts from diverse backgrounds and entities will discuss what opportunities and challenges bring the energy policy changes and energy transformation for Central European countries and what are the pathways to overcome these challenges (in the specific context of the Czech Republic and Austria).

<b>Date and time</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> November 2023, 12:45
<b>Venue</b>	Hotel Amarilis Štěpánská 18, Praha 1
<b>Audience</b>	Policy makers; Think tanks; research institutions; NGOs; financial institutions; expert public; municipalities.  Number of participants is limited to 30 participants
<b>Language of business</b>	English
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## Programme

<b>12:45</b>	<b>Registration and welcome coffee</b>
<b>13:15 - 13:45</b>	<b>Opening</b> <b>Jaroslav Knápek</b> , CZ-AT EEG, Czech Technical University, Czech Republic <b>Stephan Rutkowski</b> , Embassy of the Republic of Austria in Prague, minister plenipotentiary, deputy head of mission, Austria <b>Petr Brandel</b> , Central Europe Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
<b>13:45 - 14:10</b>	<b>Energy transition in Central Europe in the light of current trends</b> <b>Jaroslav Knápek</b> , CZ-AT EEG, Czech Technical University, Czech Republic
<b>14:10 - 14:35</b>	<b>Challenges for the electricity market design in the energy transition</b> <b>Reinhard Haas</b> , Vienna University of Technology, Austria
<b>14:35 - 15:00</b>	<b>Decarbonization of passenger car transportation: goals and challenges</b> <b>Amela Ajanovic</b> , CZ-AT EEG, Vienna University of Technology, Austria
<b>15:00 - 15:25</b>	<b>The role of agrivoltaics in energy system transitions</b> <b>Jan Krčmář</b> , director of Czech Solar Association, Czech Republic
<b>15:25 - 15:50</b>	<b>Growing importance of agrivoltaics in Austria – Experience from Eco-Solar-Biotop in Pöchlarn</b> <b>Daniel Theuer</b> , RWA Solar Solutions, Austria
<b>15:50 - 16:15</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>16:15 - 16:40</b>	<b>Current challenges of the Czech climate energy policy</b> <b>Lukáš Minařík</b> , Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic
<b>16:40 - 17:05</b>	<b>Quo vadis energy communities? Czech energy communities in the European context</b> <b>Lukáš Janota</b> , Czech Technical University in Prague, Czech Republic
<b>17:05 - 17:30</b>	<b>Energy communities in Austria</b> <b>Reinhard Haas</b> , Vienna University of Technology, Austria
<b>17:30 - 18:00</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>18:30</b>	<b>Buffet dinner for all participants</b>