



ERP Workshop Energy Policy and Energy Security -Transatlantic Perspectives

The Heidelberg Center for American Studies, with the generous support of the German Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology, will host a workshop on **Energy Policy and Energy Security -Transatlantic Perspectives**. You are cordially invited to attend.

Date:

Friday, May 27 and Saturday, May 28, 2011

Location:

Heidelberg Center for American Studies (HCA)

120 Hauptstraße, 69117 Heidelberg, Germany

Room: Oculus (1st floor) and Ground Floor Lecture Hall

Conveners: Dr. Karen Smith Stegen (Jacobs University Bremen)
Dr. Martin Thunert (HCA, Universität Heidelberg)

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The Topic

The workshop will address the following questions and issues: What are the likely future approaches of the US/Canada and of Germany/Europe to energy policy in general and to energy security in particular? As both the US and Europe are currently confronting similar energy and environmental dilemmas, such as increasing demand; decreasing indigenous production; fewer worldwide resources, 75% of which are owned by foreign governments; and climate change, which is caused by the burning of fossil fuels for energy, they would benefit from converging strategies and transatlantic cooperation. But, despite some efforts to strengthen cooperation, such as the creation of the EU-US Energy Council in November 2009, the differing priorities and interests of the two parties may pose challenges. It is these challenges that the workshop intends to explore.

PROGRAM (05/23)

Friday, May 27, 2011

9:30 – 10:00 Registration and Coffee

10:00

Opening Remarks

Detlef Junker (Founding Director of the Heidelberg Center of American Studies (HCA))

Karen Smith Stegen (KAEFER Professor of Renewable Energy and Environmental Politics, Jacobs University, Bremen)

Martin Thunert (Research Lecturer, Political Science, at the HCA)

10:30 – 12:15

Session I: Leading Energy Challenges in the European Union and in North America

Chair: **Karen Smith Stegen** (Jacobs University, Bremen)

John Millhone (Energy and Climate Program, Carnegie Center for International Peace, Washington DC)

“Energy Issues, What We’ve Learned and Where We Need to Try Harder”

Frank Umbach (Centre for European Security Strategies, Berlin/Munich and European Centre for Energy and Resource Security, London)

“Global Energy Challenges and the Implications for the EU’s Energy Security Policies”

12:15 – 14:30

Lunch Break (outside HCA)

14:30 – 16:00

Session II: Implications of Fukushima: The Future of Different Energy Sources (Nuclear Energy, Fossil Fuels, Biofuels, etc.)

Chair: **Michael Rühle** (NATO, Brussels)

Severin Fischer (Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin)

“The Future of EU Energy Policy between Targets, Roadmaps and Realities”

Jake Caldwell (Center for American Progress, Washington DC)

“The Energy Opportunity: The United States’ Perspective”

16:00 – 16:30

Coffee Break and Refreshments at the HCA

16:30 – 18:30

Session III: Energy Security Concerns – Transatlantic Perspectives

Chair: **Frank Umbach** (CESS und EUCERS)

Speakers:

Michael Rühle (NATO, Office of the General Secretary, Brussels)

“Energy Security: Can NATO Contribute to a Transatlantic Approach?”

Daniel Eisermann (Berlin Risk Institute, Berlin)
“Europe's Energy Security Debate - A Critical View”

John Deni (Institut für Politische Wissenschaft, Universität Heidelberg)
“Evolving U.S. Perspectives on Energy Security”

18:30 – 19:00
Recreation Break with light refreshments

19:00 – 20:00
Evening Keynote
Introduction: **Wilfried Mausbach** (HCA, Universität Heidelberg)

Karen Smith Stegen
KAEFER Professor of Renewable Energy and Environmental Politics, Jacobs University,
Bremen
New Energies, New Challenges

20:00
Reception

Saturday, May 28, 2011

8:30 – 9:30
Breakfast Meeting of Conference Speakers at Backmulde Hotel

10:15 – 12:15
Session IV: Reliable Suppliers: Russia to Europe, Canada to the United States?

Chair: **Sebastian Harnisch** (Institut für Politische Wissenschaft, Universität Heidelberg)

Julia Nanay (Senior Director, PFC Energy, Washington DC)
“EU and Russia: Energy Risks and Energy Security”

Tammy Nemeth (University of British Columbia)
“Continental Rift? Energy Security and the Apparent Divergence in Canada-U.S. Petroleum Policy”

Comment:
Martin Thunert (HCA, Heidelberg University)
„Blessing or Curse? Canada/Alberta as an Energy Supplier to the United States“

12:15 – 13:00
Buffet Lunch at HCA

13:00 – 15:00
Introductory Remarks

Severin Fischer (SWP, Berlin)

Lunch Keynote:

Thiemo Gropp

Co-Founder and Director, DESERTEC Foundation, Hamburg

Comment:

Marianne Haug (Universität Hohenheim, Stuttgart)

“The Impact of Renewable Energy (and DESERTEC) on Energy Security”

Final Discussion

15:00 End of Workshop

**Admission is Free of Charge, but you must register at
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