

**EFET expresses concerns about the revised draft EEAG in a letter
to the European Commission**

The European Federation of Energy Traders (EFET)¹ welcomes the decision of the European Commission to review the draft Guidelines on Environmental and Energy Aid (EEAG). The transition to a truly competitive internal European energy market is a crucial step, which requires sustainable policy choices. National renewable energy support schemes have created market distortions and have had a detrimental effect on competition and liquidity. Undistorted price signals are needed to compensate sound investment, to trigger new investment, and to keep costs to consumers low.

In a letter² to the European Commission, EFET expressed concerns about several aspects of the revised EEAG. We encourage the Commission to take into account the following:

- No national support scheme should in future discriminate against sellers of imported RES sourced electricity, nor against an exporting generator/ trader.
- Renewable electricity generators should assume responsibility for balancing.
- Exemptions from auctioning could make the framework uncertain.
- Capacity Remuneration Mechanisms should be fully market-based, taking account of generation adequacy and power plant availability on a cross-border basis, and allowing for effective competition among all capacity providers.
- A clear date for all support schemes to comply with the new rules is needed.

The tremendous growth of renewable electricity generation in the past years has already established RES producers as a cornerstone of power supply in many parts of Europe. Therefore, we believe that it is also time for them to take their share of responsibility in ensuring the sustainability of the power system.

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² The EFET letter to the European Commission is available at:
http://www.efet.org/Cms_Data/Contents/EFET/Media/Documents/EnergyMarkets/ElectPosPapers/contents/FZ32GQVVHPUKETUD/EFET-letter-on-the-draft-EEAG.pdf