

## Call for Papers

# 4<sup>th</sup> Mannheim Energy Conference

May 7 – 8, 2015, Mannheim, Germany

The Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW) and the Mannheim Centre for Competition and Innovation (MaCCI) are pleased to announce the 4th Mannheim Energy Conference on May 7–8, 2015. International scholars and practitioners from various disciplines are invited to discuss the lessons learned from almost 20 years of power market liberalisation in Europe, new opportunities and future challenges. The conference seeks to provide a stimulating environment for debates addressing the policy implications of recent research and challenges for research that result from current political decisions. Advanced theoretical, empirical, and policy-oriented contributions on all aspects of the economics of energy markets are welcome. A non-exhaustive list of topics is:

#### Competition and Investment in Electricity Markets

- Competition in wholesale, retail, and balancing markets
- Power market design, capacity markets, and competition policy
- Investment in power generation and infrastructure, demand side management

#### Infrastructure and Regulation

- Regulatory framework and incentives
- Energy infrastructures
- Reliability and security of energy supply
- Integration of European power markets

#### Sustainable Energy System Transition

- Instruments to achieve environmental policy targets
- Transition costs and financing of the energy transition

#### Energy Demand, Energy Efficiency, and Employment

- “Energy poverty” and distributional impacts of energy policies
- Modelling issues and sectoral analysis of energy demand
- Challenges of energy efficiency
- Energy economics and employment

#### Energy Innovation

- Technological and organisational innovation in the energy equipment, production, and distribution sector
- Adoption and diffusion of energy innovations
- Role of intellectual property rights

#### Special Practitioners' Session

- Current topics of energy policy
- Challenges faced by firms in the energy market

**Keynote Speakers:** Natalia Fabra (University Carlos III, Madrid, ES) · Frank Wolak (Stanford University, US) · Catherine Wolfram (University of California at Berkeley, US) · Christoph Müller (Netze BW, DE)

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**Submission:** Interested researchers are invited to submit a paper or an extended abstract (at least three pages), interested practitioners a one-page abstract, as PDF file to [energy2015@zew.de](mailto:energy2015@zew.de) no later than February 20, 2015.

**Deadlines:** February 23, 2015: Submission deadline · March 16, 2015: Notification on acceptance April 1, 2015: Registration

**Further Information:** The conference fee is EUR 180, covering the conference package, meals, refreshments, coffee breaks, and the conference dinner. The conference fee will be waived for participants who present a paper. In addition, ZEW will offer a limited number of grants for travel and accommodation expenses. **Please indicate in your submission if you wish to apply for a grant and contact the organising committee for further information.** Presenters may be kindly asked to discuss a paper. Further information will be made available on the conference web page at <http://www.zew.de/energy2015>.



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