

## Call for Papers

## Mannheim Energy Conference 2012

June 25-26, 2012, Mannheim, Germany

The Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW) and the Mannheim Centre for Competition and Innovation (MaCCI) are pleased to announce the Mannheim Energy Conference 2012. The lessons learned during 15 years of power market liberalisation in Europe as well as new opportunities and future challenges arising from European environmental targets will be discussed by researchers and practitioners from different disciplines. The conference aims at stimulating the discussion between international researchers conducting related empirical and theoretical analysis. In addition, the conference will focus on policy implications of recent research and challenges for research resulting from current political decisions. Theoretical, empirical, and policy-oriented contributions from all areas of the economics of national and international energy markets are welcome. A non-exhaustive list of topics is:

**Competition in Electricity Markets**

- Competition in Wholesale, Retail, and Balancing Markets
- Power Market Design (e.g. Capacity Markets)
- Separation of Ownership and Control
- Competition Policy in Energy Markets

**Changing the Energy Mix**

- Instruments to Achieve Environmental Policy Objectives and Targets
- Financial Support, Pricing, and Regulation Schemes (e.g. Feed-In Tariffs, Preferential Treatment)
- Integration of Renewable Energy Resources
- Incentives to Invest in Renewable Energy Production

**Regulation of Energy Markets**

- Regulation of Transmission and Distribution Networks
- Energy Infrastructures
- Reliability and Security of Energy Supply
- Integration of the European Power Markets
- Future Regulatory Framework

**Energy Innovation and Investment**

- Technological and Organisational Innovation in the Energy Equipment, Production, and Distribution Sector
- Adoption and Diffusion of Energy Innovations
- Role of Intellectual Property Rights
- Investment Incentives in Power Generation, Infrastructure, and Demand Side Management

**Keynote Speakers**

Jochen Homann (President of the Federal Network Agency in Germany) · Michael Pollitt (University of Cambridge) · Frank A. Wolak (Stanford University)

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**Submission**

Interested researchers and practitioners are invited to submit a paper or an extended abstract (at least 3 pages) to [energy2012@zew.de](mailto:energy2012@zew.de)

**Deadlines**

**March 31, 2012:** Submission Deadline · **April 15, 2012:** Notifications on Acceptance

**May 25, 2012:** Registration and Submission of Full Texts

**Further Information**

The conference fee is EUR 180. It covers the conference package, meals, refreshments & coffee breaks, and the conference dinner. For participants presenting a paper, the conference fee is waived. In addition, ZEW will offer a limited number of grants for travel and accommodation expenses. Please contact the organising committee. Presenters may be kindly asked to discuss a paper. Papers and further information will be made available on the conference web page on <http://www.zew.de/energy2012>

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