



## Energy Transition Platform – Innovation Lab workshop

### Agenda and list of participants

**Essen, Germany | Stiftung Mercator, Huyssenallee 40 | Wednesday, April 25 (12:00-6:00pm), Thursday, April 26 (all day) and Friday, April 27 (9:00am-1:30pm)**

The Essen Workshop is the second Innovation Lab workshop of the Energy Transition Platform. It builds on the Bilbao workshop, held in June 2017, continuing its focus on in-depth discussions and tangible outputs. This second workshop will once again bring together regional governments of the Energy Transition Platform, as well as a range of external partners from industry, civil society, NGOs and think tanks.

The workshop, which will be highly interactive, will include both plenary sessions – where you will have the opportunity to benefit from external inputs, reflect on the lessons learned of the Energy Transition Platform and discuss future peer-learning projects – as well as breakout groups for each of the Innovation Labs centered around your governments' needs and priorities. As per the last workshop, we will work with an experienced facilitator who will guide the overall process and ensure a productive exchange.

**We are asking all participants to prepare a short presentation on their region for the Innovation Labs break out groups on the second day of the workshop. Please have a look at the indications in green in the agenda below to prepare accordingly.**

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## Agenda

### April 25

12:00 – 13:00	<i>Arrival and light lunch</i>
13:00 – 13:15	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Philipp Wesemann, Project Manager, Stiftung Mercator</i> <i>Achim Dahlen, Head of Unit 'Climate Policy and Management, Energy Agency NRW', Government of North Rhine-Westphalia</i> <i>Tim Ash-Vie, Director, Under2 Coalition, The Climate Group</i>
13:15 – 14:00	<b>Keynote presentation of <u>InnovationCityRuhr</u></b> <i>Jan Schaare, District Manager, Innovation City Management GmbH</i>
14:00 – 14:30	<b>Round of introductions and meeting objectives</b> <i>Charlie O'Malley, Facilitator</i> <i>All participants</i>
14:30-14:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
14:45 – 16:00	<b>Presentation and discussion: Innovative industry action and the role of governments</b> <i>Stefan Lechtenböhmer, Director, Future Energy and Mobility Structures, Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy</i>
16:00 – 16:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:15 – 16:30	<b>Update on the Energy Transition Platform</b> <i>Anne-Sophie Dörnbrack, Policy Manager, Under2 Coalition, The Climate Group</i>
16:30 – 17:45	<b>Findings from the evaluation and governments' review: where are we and what have we learned?</b> <i>Anna MacGillivray, Founding Director, URSUS Consulting</i> <i>Charlie O'Malley, Facilitator</i> <i>All participants</i>
17:45 – 18:00	<b>Closing remarks</b>
18:00	<i>Reception organized by Stiftung Mercator</i>

## April 26 – Session on Industry Engagement

8:45-9:00	<b>Plenary</b>
9:00 – 9:15	<b>Agenda overview for the day</b>
09:15 – 10:30	<p><b>Sharing the journey of the last two years</b></p> <p>Please prepare 3-5 slides for a 7-minute presentation on your work on industry engagement and decarbonization in the last two years. This is an opportunity for you to reflect on your own learnings, to capture and share your key insights, and will set us up for the session in the afternoon where we will run a creative process to develop a vision for the future.</p> <p>Some questions to think about for your presentation are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Regional context:</b> what was your situation (with regards to industry engagement) two years ago?</li> <li>- <b>Actions:</b> what has your government done since then, what has changed, and why?</li> <li>- <b>Personal impact:</b> what was your role? How effective were you as a change agent (i.e. what was your impact as an individual)? What would help you be more effective in the future?</li> </ul>
10:30 – 10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:45 – 11:45	<p><b>Factors for successful industry engagement</b></p> <p><i>Daniel Vallentin, Head of Berlin Office and Project Coordinator, Wuppertal Institute</i></p>
11:45 – 12:45	<p><b>Managing stakeholders and engaging industry players: on-the-ground examples from KlimaDiskurs.NRW</b></p> <p><i>Sophia Schönborn, Consultant for climate and energy policies, KlimaDiskurs.NRW</i></p>
12:45 – 13:45	<i>Lunch</i>
13:45 – 16:45	<p><b>Visioning the journey ahead (creative exercise)</b></p> <p><i>All participants</i></p>
16:45 – 17:00	<b>Wrap up of the Community Renewables Innovation Lab</b>
17:00 – 17:10	<b>Closing remarks (plenary)</b>
17:15	<i>Leave for site visit</i>
18:00 – 19:30	<i><u>Denkmalpfad Zollverein</u>: guided tour of the Zollverein UNESCO World Heritage site, a rehabilitated coal mine</i>
19:30	<i>Dinner at <u>Casino Zollverein</u></i>



## April 27

8:45-9:00	Arrival
9:00 – 10:00	<b>Reporting back from Day 2</b> <i>Charlie O'Malley, Facilitator</i>
10:30-11:00	<i>Presentation by industry representative (tbc)</i>
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:15	<b>After the Energy Transition Platform – Planning ahead</b> <i>Anne-Sophie Dörnbrack and Tim Ash-Vie</i> <i>Charlie O'Malley</i>
12:15-12:30	<b>Conclusion by NRW and Mercator</b>
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch

## Participants

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### Governments

**Betsy Li Alward**, Manager, Generation and Transmission Policy, Alberta Energy, *Government of Alberta*

**Leonid Oukrainski**, Executive Director, Property Management, Alberta Infrastructure, *Government of Alberta*

**Joserra López**, International Projects Manager, Basque Energy Agency, *Government of the Basque Country*

**Kevin Barker**, Chief of Staff, California Energy Commission, *Government of California*

**Bill Grant**, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Commerce, *Government of Minnesota*

**Achim Dahlen**, Head of Unit 'Climate Policy and Management, Energy Agency NRW', *Government of North Rhine-Westphalia*

**Katrin Gehles**, Project Leader, Energy Dialogue, EnergieAgentur.NRW, *Government of North Rhine-Westphalia*

**Uwe Lewe**, Policy Officer, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Innovation, Digitalization and Energy, *Government of North Rhine-Westphalia*

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**Piotr Brożek**, Head of Unit, International and Regional Cooperation in Environment, *Government of Silesia*

**Krzysztof Tylla**, *Government of Silesia*

**Lisa Dobbins**, Head of Housing Quality Standards, *Welsh Government*

**Jennifer Pride**, Head of Renewable Energy, *Welsh Government*

**Representative from the Welsh Government** (tbc)

**Representative from the Government of Lombardy** (tbc)

### Partners and guests

**Ramon Kempt**, Board Member, *Energiegewinner eG*

**Kay Voßhenrich**, Board Member, *Energiegewinner eG*

**Jan Schaare**, District Manager, *Innovation City Management GmbH*

**Sophia Schönborn**, Consultant for climate and energy policies, *KlimaDiskurs.NRW*

**Detlef Loy**, Director, *Loy Energy Consulting*

**Stefan Lechtenböhmer**, Director, Future Energy and Mobility Services, *Wuppertal Institute*

**Daniel Vallentin**, Head of Berlin Office and Project Coordinator, *Wuppertal Institute*

**Charles O'Malley**, Founder, *LEADX and Responsible Leadership Forum* (facilitator)

**Anna MacGillivray**, Founding Director, *URSUS Consulting* (evaluator)

### Project Team

**Tim Ash-Vie**, Director, Under2 Coalition, *The Climate Group*

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