## GENDER AND LATIN AMERICAN PERSPECTIVES

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### Introduction

The traditional annual event of the Spanish Committee of the World Energy Council (CECME), entitled "Energy and Climate Futures: Gender and Latin American Perspectives", will take place on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Cepsa Auditorium in Madrid.

The event - organized together with the Spanish Energy Club and the Elcano Royal Institute, and sponsored by CEPSA- includes this year a plenary session with Mr. Jean-Marie Dauger, new Chair of the World Energy Council since September 2019.

As in past editions, the program tackles two main subjects divided in two round tables: Energy and the New Latin American Political Cycle, on one side; and Gender, Climate and Energy, on the other. Both issues need to be analyzed from a global and multidisciplinary perspective. To this end, top panelists - coming from relevant Spanish and international institutions not only in the energy sector but also in the economic, political, and social fields - will participate in the different sessions. Moreover, the leaders of the member companies of CECME will also share their thoughts during the debates.

### Round Table 1:

# Energy and the New Latin American Political Cycle

Last year, Mexico, Brazil and Colombia inaugurated new presidencies in a significant political shift. Energy, in very different aspects, was at the core of the respective campaigns, which included substantial energy policy reforms. It is time to have a first-hand view on how, and to what extent, such reforms have been implemented.

But there are other elections approaching. Bolivia will be having general elections (which also imply a new president) on October 20<sup>th</sup>, just two days before the CECME event. First round of Argentina's presidential election will be a few days later, on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Presidential elections will also be held in Peru in April 2021. All of them are loaded with energy policy implications not only for their countries, but for the future of Latin American energy policy pathways.

Meanwhile, Venezuela continues to dip into its political, economic and energy crisis. In Ecuador, president Moreno is partially reversing the energy policy implemented by his former mentor and Ecuadorian president, Rafael Correa. And Cuba continues struggling to manage the contagion of the Venezuelan energy crisis and attracting investments in renewables under the new EU-Cuba Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement.

The panel will try to address these and other political trends and ongoing processes, and how they are influencing the Latin American energy landscape.

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### Round Table 2:

### Gender, climate and energy

Two of the key challenges of the XXI century are tackling poverty and addressing climate change. As we develop operating guidelines and implement programmes to address the root causes of these challenges, gender emerges as a cross-cutting issue.

According to the UN, more women are affected by poverty than men. This is also the case when analysing energy poverty due to the role women play in gathering of biomass, collecting water and cooking. Despite women's role as energy providers in a myriad of countries, there has been a lack of gender mainstreaming in energy policies. Women's views, needs, experience and funding allocation preferences have not been fully incorporated in decision-making processes, especially in less developed countries.

As regards climate change, it is also acknowledged that it disproportionally affects women; for instance, during extreme weather events women are more affected by its impacts due to their higher exposure and, in some cases, lower capacity to respond. Climate change is also known to increase difficulties, especially for women, in gathering biomass and collecting water as these resources can become more scarce and difficult to obtain. Additionally, both national and international climate negotiations have unequal gender representation in decision-making processes.

At an international level, both the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement are addressing gender issues. As regards the former, two SDGs are particularly relevant: SDG 7 that seeks to "ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all " and SDG 5 that strives to "achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls", a goal that cuts across the entire SDG agenda. As for the current international climate regime, a "gender action plan" was established at COP23. This plan acknowledges that in order to enhance effectiveness of climate policy there is a need for gender-responsive climate action and for further representation of women in all stages of decision-making processes.

Delivering on the SDGs and meeting temperature and climate finance alignment commitments under the Paris Agreement are expected to foster gender equality. This panel will discuss the challenges and opportunities as regards the gender-energy-climate nexus in the unfolding energy transition. It will also discuss best practices and experiences in fostering gender equality worldwide.

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## Programme

8:30

### ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION

9:00 - 9:30

### **OPENING SESSION**

### Philippe Boisseau

Director and CEO CEPSA

### Miguel Antoñanzas

President

SPANISH ENERGY CLUB (ENERCLUB)

### Emilio Lamo de Espinosa

Chairman ELCANO ROYAL INSTITUTE

9:30 - 10:15

### PLENARY SESSION - KEY ISSUES ON THE GLOBAL ENERGY AGENDA

### Jean-Marie Dauger

Chair

WORLD ENERGY COUNCIL

### Íñigo Díaz de Espada

Chair

SPANISH COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD ENERGY COUNCIL (CECME)

10:15 - 11:30

# ROUND TABLE I – ENERGY AND THE NEW LATIN AMERICAN POLITICAL CYCLE

### Moderator

### Mª Luisa Castaño

Director General of Research and Technological Innovation REGIONAL GOVERNMENT OF MADRID

### Speakers

### **Antonio Rodriguez**

Coordinator, Red SUMAS
Professor
AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF
MORELOS (MEXICO)

### **Milton Costa**

General Secretary BRAZILIAN PETROLEUM, GAS AND BIOFUELS INSTITUTE (IBP)

### Lisa Viscidi

Director of the Energy, Climate Change & Extractive Industries Program
INTER-AMERICAN DIALOGUE

### Patricia Ventura

Director
IPD LATINAMERICA

11:30 - 12:15

**COFFEE BREAK** 

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**PROGRAMME** 

12:15 - 13:30

# ROUND TABLE II – GENDER, CLIMATE AND ENERGY

Moderator

### Lara Lázaro

Senior Analyst ELCANO ROYAL INSTITUTE

Speakers

#### Amel Belaid

Independent Counselor APOTHEOX BUSINESS CONSULTANCY

### Mónica Araya

Founder and Director COSTA RICA LIMPIA

### Alina Averchenkova

Distinguished Policy Fellow. Lead, Governance and Legislation GRANTHAM RESEARCH INSTITUTE, LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

### Rebecca Gaghen

Head of the IEA Division for Europe, Middle-East, Africa and Latin America IEA's Task Force on Gender Diversity INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY

13:30 - 14:30

### KEY NOTES FROM CECME COMPANIES AND CLOSING CEREMONY

### Charles Powell

Director

ELCANO ROYAL INSTITUTE

### Íñigo Díaz de Espada

Chair

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### Front Row Participants

### Paloma Sevilla

Managing Director AELÉC

### Juan Manuel García-Horrillo

Director Gas & Power CEPSA

### Marcos Antuña

Director of Projects and New Business EDP SPAIN

### **Esther Clemente**

Director of Development, Compensation and Change Management ENDESA

### Francisco Laverón

Head of Energy Policies IBERDROLA

### Elena Longarela

Head of Electricity Sales and Markets, GPG NATURGY

### Marta Camacho

Director Institutional Affairs Spain & Europe REPSOL

### Marta Margarit

Secretary General SEDIGAS

### Javier De La Fuente

Sales Director of Siemens Gas & Power SIEMENS

14:30

**END OF THE MEETING** 

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# Information and registration

### **VENUE**

Torre CEPSA Paseo la Castellana, 259 A 28046 Madrid

### **REGISTRATION**

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