



IEA Energy Policy Review of Denmark 2023¹

Explanatory note to energy sector stakeholders

This note provides an overview of [International Energy Agency](#) (IEA) energy policy review process and the important role stakeholders play in a successful review.

Background

The IEA is conducting a review of the energy and climate policies of Denmark (each [IEA member country](#) undergoes such a review every five to six years). The main objective of this review is to examine Denmark's performance in planning and implementing its energy and climate policies, and to **provide the government with recommendations on how to improve those policies**. The review is based on a detailed examination of Denmark's entire energy sector and covers: the general energy policy framework, climate change, energy efficiency, renewable energy (including system integration issues), energy-related research and innovation, electricity, natural gas and oil.

Review process

The review team is composed of energy experts from IEA member countries and IEA staff (see Annex), who will travel to Copenhagen for a week of meetings with stakeholders from across the energy sector including representatives from the government, industry, labour, academia and NGOs. These meetings help the review team to understand Denmark's energy sector, learn what policy topics are currently under consideration and discuss options for improving energy policy with informed stakeholders.

Based on insights gained during the meetings, the team develops a paper with recommendations on how energy policy can be improved. This paper serves as the basis of the detailed energy policy review report developed by the IEA in co-ordination with the review team and government over several months following the review visit. The final report is released at a press conference organised with the government, to which stakeholders are usually invited. The most recent report for Denmark was released in 2017 and is available at this link <https://www.iea.org/reports/energy-policies-of-iea-countries-denmark-2017-review>.

¹ The IEA energy policy review consists of the Emergency Response Review (ERR) and the In-depth Review (IDR). The peers covering oil, natural gas and electricity cover both the IDR (market policies) and the ERR (energy security policies). The final ERR report is discussed in the IEA Standing Group on Emergency Questions (SEQ), and is not made public, while the IDR is discussed at the Standing Group on Long-Term Cooperation and will be released in a public report.



The review visit will take place from Monday 30 January to Monday 6 February at the Ministry of Climate, Energy and Utilities (room 2) located at [Holmens Kanal 20; DK-1060 København K](#). The IEA would greatly appreciate your participation to increase the quality and depth of information on Denmark's energy policies.

Role of stakeholders

Your organisation has been invited to meet with the review team to share your insights on:

- **the impact of current and planned government policies**
- **key energy sector challenges and opportunities**
- **how policies can be changed to address these challenges**

Your meeting is an opportunity to shape what kind of recommendations the review team will provide to the government. The team greatly appreciates if each stakeholder can provide specific recommendations on needed policy changes, with a clear explanation of why these changes are needed and how they can best be implemented.

Meetings with the team start with a short statement by the stakeholders focused on what policy recommendations they think are most important (around one third of the total time). Please note that there will likely be several other stakeholders in your session and the time for statements must be shared between all stakeholders. The majority of your session (around two thirds of the total time) is dedicated to a question-and-answer exchange with the team, this exchange is extremely valuable for the team and helps to ensure we clearly understand your concerns and suggested recommendations. Please note, there is no possibility to add time onto the meeting.

Regarding statements, please avoid detailed information on the history or structure of your organisation (we will look that up on your website), large amounts of technical information or high-level overviews of energy sector policy. Keep in mind that the IEA has provided the team with a detailed briefing on Denmark's energy sector and that the team already had meetings with the government on key policies and targets. We are happy to receive a written version of your statement with your key policy recommendation and additional materials with detailed information (reports, publications, summaries...) you think the team should be aware of. These materials can be emailed in advance of the meeting to Sylvia.BEYER@iea.org and Milosz.Karpinski@iea.org and will be shared with the team.

All meetings are conducted under [Chatham House rules](#). Whatever is said will not be attributed to any presenter or organisation. There will be no government representatives present during the meetings with private stakeholders. The IEA and the review team very much appreciate your contribution to this process. Thank you in advance for your time and input. We look forward to our discussion with you.

Annex. IEA review team participants

Name	Nominating country/Subject area	Affiliation
Penny Sirault	Australia, General Energy Policy, Energy efficiency	General Manager, Head of Residential Energy Efficiency, Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW)
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Bert Wilbrink	The Netherlands, Electricity	Senior Policy Advisor, Acting head of unit electricity markets, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy
Scott Greenip	United States, Natural Gas	Senior Energy Officer US State Department, United States
Roland Gerber	Switzerland Oil	Federal Office for National Economic Supply
Julia Walschebauer	European Commission, RDD	Assistant to the Deputy Director-General European Commission, DG Energy
Milosz Karpinski	IEA, ERR	Energy Analyst, PSD
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