

Executive Summary:

CEE Energy Hub

A Private-Public Platform for a more secure and sustainable future

GLOBSEC has continuously served as a platform that stimulates **public-private dialogue** to shape future trends. With global ambitions and building a legacy in mind, GLOBSEC seeks to contribute to critical agendas for Europe.

Energy is among the key topic areas where GLOBSEC strives to make a difference. Russia's invasion of Ukraine has had profound and long-term repercussions on global energy security and climate change. While it has drastically accelerated the EU's efforts to decouple from Russia's fossil fuels, it revived nuclear power and postponed phasing out polluting energy sources such as coal. Moreover, it caused substantial environmental damage, whose impacts will continue to be felt in the following years.

GLOBSEC's **CEE Energy Hub** is a unique, strong and qualitative public-private partnership platform dedicated to energy cooperation, in which the energy dialogue is boosted by the active involvement of key institutional and private stakeholders. Besides being focused on the CEE development, the Hub is synergic with the global discussion on the future of energy security and climate change agendas.

Regularly engaging with decision-makers, the **CEE Energy Hub** facilitates cross-sectoral dialogues while generating impact assessment and data-driven policy recommendations to ensure more predictability within future regulatory and market developments. Topics ranging from "Energy Security within the New Sanctions Conundrum" to "Innovative Solutions for the Green Energy Technologies" are tackled under the auspices of the Initiative.

A series of closed-door, exclusive events that gather key governmental and private stakeholders from the energy sector will take place in Brussels, Washington, Vienna, Bratislava and Prague, cities in which GLOBSEC has a strong presence. These events present unique occasions for policymakers, businesses, and other stakeholders to exchange ideas under a neutral, credible, and empowering platform.

The Private-Public Platform (PPP) closed-door discussions, as well as relevant policy briefs and reports of the CEE Energy Hub, are centred around:

- 1. Energy security:** a regional approach towards enhancing the energy security in the wider CEE region (gas, nuclear, interconnectors, CIP)
- 2. Energy transition:** focus on technological developments in the EU and US (renewables, small nuclear reactors, hydrogen and innovative solutions in green transition)

Main Goals

- ▶ Consolidating a platform for discussion and exchanges between key stakeholders and decision-makers
- ▶ Strengthening institutional and private partnerships by offering a unique platform that will boost cooperation
- ▶ Contributing to the European and global debate on the most pressing and topical trends in energy and sustainability
- ▶ Producing impact assessments of new regulatory and policy measures in the energy domain following the start of Russia's war in Ukraine
- ▶ Shaping the CEE energy and economic policy through research-based insights and analysis to deliver concrete policy recommendations

Impact

- ▶ Policy impact: an opportunity to shape relevant decision-making processes
- ▶ Contribution to debates on timely and challenging issues, such as access to new energy sources and routes, raw materials, electrification, innovative energy sources uptake, etc.
- ▶ Direct exposure to exclusive, closed-door discussions and related high-level participants

Recently published by the CEE Energy Hub

- ✓ *"Coupling Energy Security, Regional Connectivity and REPowerEU Targets in the CEE Region"*
- ✓ *"EU climate policy amid Russia's war in Ukraine: A critical overview of key REPowerEU challenges and trajectories towards net-zero"*
- ✓ *"Adapting EU energy efficiency and savings targets to V4+ regional context"*
- ✓ *"How (not) to manage the energy transition without Russian gas"*
- ✓ *"The Russian war in Ukraine has yet another casualty, automotive"*

Coming up in June

- ▶ **"REPower Security: Rethinking European foreign policy amidst the energy crisis"** by the **CEE Energy Hub** in partnership with **Clingendael Institute** and **Oxford Analytica**

Public-private partnership exclusive, closed-door roundtables:

- ▶ **Brussels:** EU-level energy transition
- ▶ **Bratislava:** Interconnectors and Critical Infrastructure Protection
- ▶ **Vienna:** Renewables

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IEA Executive Director Fatih Birol received the prestigious GLOBSEC European Award for his and the Agency's work to support Europe during the global energy crisis triggered by Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

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