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# NEWGOV

## New Modes of Governance

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### NEWGOV Practitioner Forum

#### European Networks of Regulatory Agencies: Current Solutions and Future Models Regulatory Network Governance

**10 June 2008**  
*The Centre*  
**22, Avenue Marnix, B-1000 Brussels**  
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#### Programme

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## **Workshop Presentation**

In the last ten years, EU regulation has been transformed. However, in order for regulation to be implemented, appropriate institutions also have to be established. This workshop looks at such institutions, notably for the regulation of markets in network industries. The implementation of public policies always raises questions of discretion and diversity. But, in the case of the EU these questions are particularly difficult because there is a strong tension between the creation of a single European market through centralised EU-level legislation and its decentralised implementation by often diverse and recently-reformed national -level authorities. In addition, there are strong national traditions of protecting domestic firms and economic interests. Thus the institutions for implementing EU legislation are particularly important and the topic of much current debate in Brussels.

This policy workshop begins by setting out different possible regulatory network models, before analysing the development of European Networks of Regulators in Telecommunications and Energy from the perspective of business, national regulators and the European Networks central administration. It concludes by looking at current debates and the potential for EU Agency and network plus solutions.

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12.00 – 13.00	Lunch Buffet
13.00 – 13.15	<p><b><u>Introduction to Issues</u></b></p> <p><i>Martin Porter</i> (The Centre) and <i>David Coen</i> (University College London)</p>
13.15 – 14.30	<p><b><u>National Perspectives to European Networks of Regulators</u></b></p> <p><b>National regulators perspectives</b>  <i>David Coen</i> (University College London) and <i>Mark Thatcher</i> (London School of Economics and Political Science)</p> <p><b>A business perspective</b>  <i>Andrew Tarrant</i>, Head of Government Affairs BT</p> <p><b>A National Regulatory perspective</b>  <i>Annegret Groebel</i>, BNetzA.de</p>
14.30 – 14.45	Tea/Coffee
14.45 – 16.00	<p><b><u>European Networks of Regulators Perspective</u></b></p> <p><b>The Energy Sector</b>  <i>Fay Geitona</i>, Secretary General of European Regulators Group for Electricity and Gas (ERGEG)</p> <p><i>Daniel Pataki</i>, President of the European Regulators Group (ERG) or representative (<i>tbc</i>)</p>
16.00 – 16.15	Tea/Coffee
16.15 – 17.30	<p><b><u>A European Agencies Perspective</u></b></p> <p><b>European Network plus to European Agency: A Commission Perspective</b>  <i>Fernand Sauer</i>, Director General Honoraire European Commission.</p> <p><b>European Regulatory Agencies Models</b>  <i>Manuel Szapiro</i>, Secretariat-General, European Commission (<i>tbc</i>)</p>
17.30	Reception