

## **Conference Agenta**

As the global energy market is witnessing renewed turmoil, the result of the Russia-Ukraine war, prices of petroleum products, natural gas and electricity and coal have surged, resulting in a situation similar to the oil crisis witnessed back in the 1970s. Energy consumer prices in most countries in the region have skyrocketed and governments are looking into ways to mitigate rising costs while trying to diversify energy supplies. Against this uncertain economic environment and rising geopolitical tensions IENE is convening the annual "SE Europe Energy Dialogue", on June 16-17, 2022. Consequently this year's conference themes are focusing more on energy security, new European energy policy and the switch of attention to fossil fuels (oil, gas, coal) in view of their increasingly important role in balancing prices and energy supply.

Hence the special theme chosen for this year's Energy Dialogue is "Energy Security, Market Integration and Sustainability in SE Europe".

The main themes of the "13<sup>th</sup> SEE Energy Dialogue" are summarised as follows:

- Energy market turmoil and the war in Ukraine: Global and regional perspectives
- The Energy Outlook in SE European countries
- Energy security implications at European and SE European level
- Europe's energy policy dilemmas
- The Green Agenda and decarbonization challenges in SE Europe
- Diversifying the regional gas market: Alternative suppliers, gas routes and LNG
- Networks, energy storage and innovation for higher RES penetration
- Electricity and Gas market integration and increased energy costs
- Energy Efficiency First: Global dimension and regional prospects
- Enhancing hydrocarbon exploration in SEE
- Towards a more balanced energy mix
- Energy investment outlook