

Residential Training Course

Energy Law Research School

15 - 17 September 2025

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Introduction

European energy law is subject to lively scholarly enquiry. Significant changes in the EU's energy *acquis* over the course of the first von der Leyen Commission have created novel challenges for EU energy law, but at the same time opened up new, fruitful avenues for academic analysis. The *Clean Industrial Deal* priority of the 2024-2029 Commission and the Union's quest for strategic autonomy in its energy policy will embed EU energy law even more firmly than before in the Commission's agenda for a whole-economy transition. This multifaceted and increasingly intricate interplay between policy, technology, law and regulation calls for an approach to the study of EU energy law that cannot remain confined to the doctrinal, but must position itself in dialogue with other strands of legal enquiry as well as other disciplines studying the Union's energy transition. It must be able to draw on multidisciplinary research and at the same be conscious of the ways in which legal research can add value to policy and academic analysis in other disciplines.

The Energy Law Research School seeks to offer emerging scholars (doctoral and postdoctoral researchers) in EU energy law the opportunity to gain an understanding of the most important issues in the field, while sharpening their legal and interdisciplinary research skills. It will help participants navigate the complexities of the study of the EU's energy law and will support them in positioning their research output in order to maximise its impact in engaging with current EU energy issues.

In collaboration with the ERC INTEL Project (University of Eastern Finland) and the ELAWNET Project (University of Oslo), the Florence School of Regulation (FSR) convenes a forward-thinking faculty of legal experts and leverages its strong, multidisciplinary research approach in delivering this training.

Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of the EU's energy agenda and acquire the necessary tools to engage with it academically. This training will empower them to contribute to the debate in an incisive and impactful manner. By receiving expert reviews and peer feedback on draft papers submitted in advance of the training, participants will be able to put these skills into action immediately.



Draft Programme

15 September **Day 1: The Research Agenda in EU Energy Law**

09.00-09.45 Welcome session and icebreaker activity.

Max Münchmeyer | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Kaisa Huhta | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI and University of Eastern Finland

Catherine Banet | University of Oslo

9.45-11.00 *Lecture:* Conceptualising EU Energy Law as a Discipline.

Kaisa Huhta | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI and University of Eastern Finland

11.00-11.30 *Coffee Break*

11.30-12.30 *Lecture:* The Legacy of the European Green Deal.

Max Münchmeyer | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

12.30-14.00 *Lunch*

14.00-15.00 *Lecture:* Energy Markets and the Green Deal: The Implementation Challenge.

Catherine Banet | University of Oslo

15.00-16.00 *Lecture:* Energy Law and the EU's Industrial Competitiveness Agenda.

Eugenio Bruti Liberati | University of Eastern Piemonte

16.00-16.30 *Coffee Break*

16.30-18.00 *Roundtable Discussion:* The Energy Law Research Agenda for the 2024-2029 Commission.

Moderator

Max Münchmeyer | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Panellists

Leonardo Meeus | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Kaisa Huhta | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI and University of Eastern Finland

Catherine Banet | University of Oslo

Eugenio Bruti Liberati | University of Eastern Piemonte

16 September **Day 2: Designing and Leveraging Impactful EU Energy Law Research Projects**

9.00-10.00 *Lecture:* Energy Law Research and the World of Practice.

Vicente López-Ibor Mayor | EFELA

10.00-10.30 *Coffee Break*

10.30-12.30 *Workshop:* Identifying Impactful Opportunities for Energy Law Research.

Moderator

Sofia Nicolai | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Panellists

Ginevra Le Moli | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Kaisa Huhta | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI and University of Eastern Finland

Lucila De Almeida | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI and NOVA University

12.30-14.00 *Lunch*

14.00-16.00 *Breakout Sessions: Draft Paper Peer Review.*

Kaisa Huhta | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI and University of Eastern Finland

Catherine Banet | University of Oslo

Vicente López-Ibor Mayor | EFELA

Eugenio Bruti Liberati | University of Eastern Piemonte

16.00-16.30 *Coffee Break*

16.30-17.30 *Roundtable Discussion: Legal Research in FSR Projects.*

Moderator

Max Münchmeyer | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Panellists

Sofia Nicolai | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Alessandra Porcari | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Elodie Petroziello | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

17 September Day 3: Methodology and Interdisciplinarity in Energy Law

9.00-10.30 *Workshop: Methodology and Interdisciplinarity: Experiences and Best Practices (I).*

Lucila De Almeida | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI and NOVA University

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10.30-11.00 *Coffee Break*

11.00-12.30 *Workshop: Methodology and Interdisciplinarity: Experiences and Best Practices (II).*

Patrick Abel | University of Passau

Ginevra Le Moli | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

12.30-14.00 *Lunch*

14.00-16.00 *Breakout Sessions: Draft Paper Peer Review.*

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16.00-16.30 *Coffee Break*

16.30-17.30 *Roundtable Discussion: Publishing EU Energy Law Research.*

Moderator

Max Münchmeyer | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Panellists

Josephine van Zeben | Transnational Environmental Law (TEL)

Ginevra Le Moli | Review of European, Comparative & International Environmental Law (RECIEL)

Kaisa Huhta | Journal of Energy & Natural Resources Law (JERL)

