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Annegret Groebel re-appointed President of the CEER

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Dr Annegret Groebel, Head of Department at the Bundesnetzagentur, was today re-appointed as President of the Council of European Energy Regulators (CEER) in Brussels.

"I thank my colleagues for their confidence and trust in me and look forward to be able to continue to help shape CEER's work in these important times of change in the energy sector," said Annegret Groebel. "In our new policy strategy we are focussing on empowering the consumer for the energy transition."

CEER 2022-2025 Strategy

In the CEER 2022-2025 Strategy the European energy regulators state their commitment to empowering consumers for the energy transition. In addition, the regulators further commit to promoting a carbon-neutral society and economy by

- integrating renewables and incentivising innovation
- placing consumers are the centre of energy markets and empowering consumers to actively contribute to and benefit from a flexible energy system and
- ensuring open, well-functioning and resilient markets nationally and in Europe.

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CEER background

CEER serves as a platform for dialogue between the European energy regulatory authorities, covering those energy issues that do not fall under the area of responsibility of the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER). These include consumer protection, regulatory aspects of retail markets, the promotion of renewable energy and international cooperation.

More information on CEER's work can be found at <u>www.ceer.eu</u>. The CEER 2022-2025 Strategy Empowering Consumers for the Energy Transition is available to download at <u>https://www.ceer.eu/2050</u>.

The Bundesnetzagentur is an authority under the responsibility of the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy. Its core tasks include supervising the energy, telecommunications, postal and railway markets.

As part of its mandate, the Bundesnetzagentur ensures that as many undertakings as possible can use the infrastructure in these sectors so that consumers benefit from competition and favourable prices.

The authority employs over 2,900 people at its headquarters in Bonn and Mainz and its 46 regional offices.