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## Member State / Stakeholder meeting "Cooperation mechanisms under the RES Directive: experience gained and perspectives until and after 2020"

Date: Wednesday 5 November 2014 Location: European Commission, Albert Borschette Center AB-3B, 36 rue Froissart, 1040 Brussels, Belgium

Dear Sir or Madam, Dear colleagues,

The Renewable Energy Directive has introduced the use of Cooperation Mechanisms as a means to increase the cost-effectiveness of reaching the renewable targets. However, the actual use of Cooperation Mechanisms by Member States has been rather limited so far. In November 2013 the European Commission published a guidance document on the use of cooperation mechanisms.

As a follow up to that guidance, the Commission has launched a project that aims to facilitate cooperation between Member States by providing further operational and practical assistance for their use led by Ecofys. A first workshop was held on 14 February 2014.

As part of this project, Member State representatives and stakeholders are kindly invited to discuss the outcome of this project, including a number of concrete case studies. Also, we will discuss the future perspectives for stronger cooperation on renewables development in the light of the outcome of the European Council of 23-24 October. The event will take place on **5 November 2014** in Brussels.

Please find attached the workshop agenda. If you would like to participate, please register by replying to <u>ENER-RES-STRATEGY@ec.europa.eu</u>, by 31 October 2014 cob. Please note that the number of places is limited.

For further questions please contact Malte Gebhart (<u>m.gephart@ecofys.de</u>) or Joachim Balke (Joachim.balke@ec.europa.eu).

I look forward to meeting you in Brussels.

Yours sincerely,

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