Summary of the meeting with SolarPower Europe of 11 July 2022

1. Participants
   • SolarPower Europe:
   • DG ENER:

2. Summary

The meeting was organised at the request of SolarPower Europe as a follow up to the Electricity Regulatory Forum in June. SolarPower Europe wanted to understand the next steps on the Commission side concerning short-term interventions and optimisation of the electricity market design.

DG ENER explained that concerning the optimisation of the electricity market design, the next steps as provided in the Communication of 18 May are that the Commission will launch an impact assessment process and engage with stakeholders as regards adjustments to the electricity market design and, where necessary, its legislative framework. DG ENER explained that the process will be formally launched after the summer and that it plans to consult stakeholders as part of the open and inclusive public consultation. DG ENER also mentioned that SolarPower Europe is welcome to share their ideas anytime, with the Commission, with Member States and with other stakeholders.

SolarPower Europe emphasised the importance of ensuring the steady implementation of existing legislation and pointed out to the uncertainties surrounding the long-term impact of potential measures and their effect on investment decisions. SolarPower Europe explained some of the ideas they are currently considering on how to improve the electricity market design, in particular incentives for investments in new RES capacity, investments in flexible solutions and empowering consumers in more decentralised markets, and pointed out that they will share them with the Commission in the near future.