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Subject: Meeting between Ditte Juul Jørgensen (Director-General for Energy) and IOGP, 17 December 2019, 11:00 H – 11:45 H

Participants:

Ditte Juul Jørgensen (DG, Director-General for Energy), (ENER.B.4)

Main points/comments from IOGP:

- Explained areas of activities (Madrid Forum, Oil Co-ordination Group, European Offshore Authorities Group), presented their views on the way how oil and gas can adjust and contribute to the Green Deal.
- In this context, recalled investments of oil and gas industry in renewables (e.g. by Total, Shell and Equinor), underlined the need to avoid venting, to actively reduce methane emissions from oil and gas production and transport, to contribute to the Commission’s methane strategy, convert gas infrastructure for transport of CO2, link hydrogen and CCS.
- Agriculture and coal are much larger emitters compared with oil and gas sector, referring to methane emissions from biogas. Recalled its work with NGOs.
- IOGP’s representatives provided written briefings on hydrogen from natural gas and scaling up CCS; reported on industry’s projects on CCS.
- IOGP invited the DG to meet CEOs of members.

Main points/comments from the DG:

- Underlined the importance for oil and gas industry to reduce sharply methane emissions and close methane leaks.
- Underlined that much more can be done on methane from coal, oil and gas.
Industry has to become a part of the Green Deal; important to see how IOGP progresses with decarbonisation.

Recalled the impact of taxonomy and sustainable finance on oil and gas industry. Important to discuss industry’s contribution on methane, hydrogen and CCS/CCU.

Underlined the importance of developing CCS and CCU technologies and deployment.

Expressed readiness to pursue discussion with the industry at public events involving wide ranging stakeholders (incl. at conferences and workshops). In this context, recalled also the importance of the Madrid Forum.