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Dear ,

I am writing to cordially invite you to a virtual round-table discussion on the regulation for the hydrogen market on 11 November at 15h00.

As you know, the Commission is preparing a Hydrogen and Gas Decarbonisation Package to be adopted by the end of the year. Last spring, the Commission organised a public consultation in order to get the views from a broad range of stakeholders. As we advance in the preparation of the package, I would like to have a direct opportunity to discuss with selected stakeholders some key elements regarding the regulation of the emerging hydrogen ecosystem in Europe. As Shell has been actively involved in the debate on hydrogen and the creation of a hydrogen market in Europe, I would very much welcome to hear your views on this issue and in particular on:

1. How internal energy market principles should apply to the hydrogen market (unbundling, third party access, tariff regulation, transparency...etc)? Should these principles apply differently to the different types of hydrogen networks (future hydrogen backbone, closed hydrogen pipelines, hydrogen valleys)?
2. How do we bridge the gap in regulatory terms between the emerging hydrogen networks and the future fully-fledged hydrogen backbone? What are the timelines or milestones for the introduction of regulation?
3. What kind of organisational structures would be the most appropriate to deal with the hydrogen network regulation and the preparation of network codes (ENTSO-G, hydrogen-specific bodies, Commission)?

These questions are purely indicative, and you can of course focus your intervention on the areas you consider most relevant for you.

Agenda

- Introduction by Commissioner Simson on the policy context and aims of the upcoming Hydrogen and Decarbonisation Gas Package
- Views from a first group of participants (5 minutes-interventions), followed by discussion time:
 - [REDACTED] Snam
 - [REDACTED] Agora Energiewende
 - [REDACTED], Hydrogen Europe
 - [REDACTED] Gasunie
 - [REDACTED] Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
- Views from a second group of participants (5 minutes-interventions), followed by discussion time:
 - [REDACTED] EIT InnoEnergy
 - [REDACTED] Florence School of Regulation
 - [REDACTED] Iberdrola
 - [REDACTED] Shell
- Concluding remarks by Commissioner Simson

Webex connection details are as follows:

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Yours sincerely,

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