

## **CEER Objectives**

The CEER objectives expressed in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by the European national independent electricity and gas regulators are as follows:

- 1. Promote the development of efficient electricity and gas markets in Europe through the establishment of appropriate mechanisms.
- 2. Co-operate in order to achieve competitive European markets in electricity and gas, in which the principles of transparency and non-discrimination are ensured. The Members will reinforce and follow up the processes of liberalisation in the electricity and gas markets.
- 3. Set up co-operation, information exchange and assistance amongst the Members, with a view to establishing expert views for discussion with the institutions of the European Union, and, in particular, with the European Commission, and representative international organisations as other sectors which may be involved.
- 4. Establish coherent and expert knowledge and analysis such that the institutions with which Members wish to hold discussion naturally consult the Members at a formative stage in policy development
- 5. Provide a framework for the discussion of regulatory issues and exchange of experience.
- 6. Provide the necessary elements for the development of regulation in the fields of electricity and gas.
- 7. Develop joint approaches vis-a-vis transnational energy utilities and companies that operate in separated regulated utility markets (multi-utilities).
- 8. Where possible work to establish common policies among Members towards agreed issues.

The CEER is working towards the creation of an internal European market in gas and electricity, together with European institutions, particularly with the European Commission, as well as with representative associations of consumers, system operators, market operators and market players.

CEER's organisation revolves round a rotating Presidency. The first CEER President, Jorge Vasconcelos was appointed for a two year term in March 2000.