Call to all Energy Ministers in the EU to update the EU's climate roadmap and 2030 targets in light of the Paris Agreement

Dear Energy Minister,

This year marks a turning point in the global climate debate. In October 2018, IPCC will provide a special report on the 1.5 degrees Celsius target. A draft of the report contains news about the warming of the planet, suggesting it will likely cross the key marker of 1.5 degrees Celsius, of temperature rise in the 2040s, and that this will be exceedingly difficult to avoid. Fundamental conclusions will be drawn on whether we can still prevent climate chaos or not - and if so, how.

The Clean Energy Ministerial, that gathers the world's key economies to Copenhagen and Malmö at the end of May, will discuss how to accelerate the global clean energy transition. The European Union's energy and climate roadmap as well as the 2030 targets will be important components of these discussions.

This joint letter is a call to European leaders to work for a strong EU Clean Energy Package when finalizing the trilogue, especially in light of the need to increase the ambition of all nation's mitigation plans (so called NDCs) under the Paris Agreement. With a strong Clean Energy Package, the EU has the ability to update its NDC and thus urge other large emitters to do the same.

We believe that the adoption of a strong Clean Energy Package with a high level of ambition of the Energy Efficiency Directive (EED), Renewable Energy Directive (RED) and Governance Regulation (GOV), is crucial for greenhouse gas emission reductions. Ambitious climate and clean energy targets also drive economic development with increased competitiveness, job creation and improved health as well as lower dependency on energy imports. The clean energy transition is providing tremendous opportunities.

In the ongoing trilogue we ask the Member State you represent to accept and support the following positions adopted by the European Parliament:

- Energy Efficiency Directive (EED): A 35 % binding EU target to 2030 with powerful gap-filler mechanisms. Also make sure that EED secures a continuous improvement up to 2030 and paves the way for further improvements beyond 2030.
- Renewable Energy Directive: A 35 % binding EU target to 2030 with powerful gap-filler mechanisms, in order to make sure that all Member States promote the development and adoption of renewable energy technologies and provide certainty for investors.
- Governance Regulation: A new 2050 climate target (EU to be climate neutral by 2050 at the latest).

Yours sincerely,

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