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D.5.5. Minutes of meetings with the decision makers in Ireland, documenting the agreements for implementation of the national action lists



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1. Introduction

As part of workpackage 5 of stoRE (www.store-project.eu) a national stakeholder meeting was held in Galway in October 2013 in order to ascertain the necessary actions to facilitate energy storage to increase renewable integration in Ireland.

The opinions of the attendees and respondents were collected and an Action List was prepared, for presentation to policy makers and decision makers.

2. Meetings with decision makers

Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland

The Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) is Ireland's National Energy Authority, and was established in 2002. SEAI aims to provide well-timed and informed advice to Government, and deliver a range of programmes efficiently and effectively, while engaging and motivating a wide range of stakeholders.

Action:

Research to examine specific support schemes for storage (capfit, refit, guarantee of renewable origin for stored energy, etc

SEAI Response

“SEAI has previously funded research on electricity storage, as the electricity system and storage technologies evolve **it is likely that further research will be required**. As electricity storage will always bring additional electricity system operation costs, if a storage technology is to be worthy of adoption, the benefits to electricity consumers that will accrue from its adoption should be greater than these costs. **The first research that should be carried out is therefore a cost-benefit analysis**. Where the benefits are substantially positive the options for enabling market adoption should then be analysed.”

Details of interaction: email correspondence, June 2014.