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Draft Agenda

Moderated by Geoff Meade, journalist expert on EU affairs

- 8:30** **Welcome and registration**
- 9:00** **Introduction**
Marc TACHELET, Director, REA
Rosalinde VAN DER VLIES, Director ‘Clean Planet’, DG Research & Innovation, EC
- 9:15** **Keynote session**
European Commission representative (TBC)
Vladimír BUDINSKÝ, President, EURACOAL
Oliver THEN, Executive Managing Director, VGB PowerTech
Interactive Q&A
- 10:15** **RFCS coal projects that have supported and promoted the European Green Deal**
Andrew MINCHENER, International Centre for Sustainable Carbon (CoalTech2051)
Adolf AUMÜLLER, VGB PowerTech (GreenDEALCO2)
Matjaž KAMENIK, Premogovnik Velenje (METHENERGY PLUS)
Christos ROUMPOS, Public Power Corporation of Greece S.A. (RECPP)
Alicja KRZEMIEN, Główny Instytut Górnictwa - GIG (RECOVERY)
Adam BAJCAR, Poltegor-Institut (RAFF)
Juergen KARL, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg (i3upgrade)
- 11:00** **Coffee break**
- 11:30** **Panel**
Not Just one Transition: how can research and innovation help?
Tudor CONSTANTINESCU, Principal Adviser, DG Energy, EC (TBC)
Nikolaos KOUKOUZAS, DG Energy, EC



Liam MCHUGH, Director of Policy and Government Affairs, World Coal Association
Tomasz ROGALA, Chair of the Board, Polska Grupa Górnictwa S.A., Poland
Tilman BECHTHOLD, Vice President Research & Development, RWE Power AG, Germany
Interactive Q&A

12:45 **Lunch break**

Showcase RFCS success stories

14:00 **REA Presentation of Big Ticket – Call 2022**

Representatives from the European Commission and the REA

14:30 **Roundtable discussion**

The way ahead for coal: a journey on a green route toward the future

Anna SOBCZAK, Policy Coordinator, DG Energy, EC (TBC)

Francisco BARROS CASTRO, Member of Cabinet, Commissioner for Cohesion and Reforms, EC

Henrike HAHN, MEP, Group of the Greens /European Free Alliance (TBC)

Brian RICKETTS, Secretary General, EURACOAL

Jan BONDARUK, Deputy Director for Environmental Engineering, GIG Research, Poland

Magdalena CHAWULA KOSURI, Adviser on Just Transition, World Bank. Poland

Rumyana GROZEVA, Executive Director, Stara Zagora Regional Economic Development Agency

Interactive Q&A

16:00 **Coffee break**

16:30 **Question & Answer on the new RFCS Big Ticket and annual calls**

Representatives from the European Commission and REA

17:15 **Conclusion**

17:30 **Close**

