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# **Economic Development and the Audit Function in the Energy Sector**

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Dear Colleagues,

The entire energy sector is subject to profound change. Market liberalisation and re-municipalisation, expansion of the internal European market, the growing share of renewable energy, decentralisation of production, high-cost pressure and ambitious climate change targets are the drivers of this change. They pose unprecedented economic and technical challenges for grid operators and suppliers. At the same time, they offer market players unprecedented opportunities. Fierce competition between the various energy suppliers and grid operators will continue in the coming years. In the face of increasingly dynamic funding and regulatory systems, business models are also subject to severe transformation and adjustment pressure. However, a recurring issue in the energy sector is trust. By implementing tools and technology that harness data and information, we can monitor and verify activity and identify potential breaches before they occur; this objective can be achieved through the audit function, thus contributing to the restoration of trust.

We are looking forward to receiving your contributions.











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