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**DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE**

**Subject: Designation of Officers of the Conference and its Subsidiary Bodies for 2020**

1. The Energy Charter Conference at its 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 10-11 December 2019 **took note** of the interventions of the upcoming Chairmanships from Azerbaijan and Armenia, and **approved** the designation of the following officers:

Conference Chair:	Mr. Parviz Shahbazov (Azerbaijan)
Conference Vice-Chair:	Mr. Samir Valiyev (Azerbaijan)
Conference Vice-Chair:	Mr. Ilir Bejtja (Albania)
Conference Vice-Chair:	Mr. Hakob Vardanyan (Armenia)
Chair of the Strategy Group:	Ms. Sofia Sanz Estébanez (Spain)
Vice-Chair of the Strategy Group	vacant
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Chair of the Modernisation Group	Ms. Sofia Sanz Estébanez (Spain)
Vice-Chair of the Modernisation Group	Mr. Sunao Orii (Japan)
Vice-Chair of the Modernisation Group	Mr. Guy Lentz (Luxembourg)
Vice-Chair of the Modernisation Group	vacant
Chair of the Working Group on Governance Issues	Ms. Klara Rakhmetova (Kazakhstan)
Vice-Chair of the Working Group on Governance Issues	Mr. Guy Lentz (Luxembourg)

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Chair of the Implementation Group:	Ms. Klara Rakhmetova (Kazakhstan)
Vice-Chair of the Implementation Group:	Mr. Johan Vetlesen (Norway)
Vice-Chair of the Implementation Group:	Mr. Aziz Khamidov (Uzbekistan)
Vice-Chair of the Implementation Group:	vacant
Chair of the Budget Committee:	Mr. Christian Bühlmann (Switzerland)
Vice-Chair of the Budget Committee	vacant

2. The Conference also agreed that the Chair of the Legal Advisory Committee will be decided *ad hoc* by the members of the LAC.
  
3. Following the recommendation of the Budget Committee, at the request of the Chair or Vice Chair of a subsidiary body of the Conference, his or her travel costs including (i) flight in economy and (ii) daily subsistence allowance (based on the DSA for Brussels used by the coordinated organizations) will be reimbursed from the budget item “invited experts” when the following conditions are both met: (i) he or she chairs the meeting to which he/she is travelling; and (ii) he or she requests one week in advance the secretariat to cover his/her travel costs.