**Addressing Competitiveness in Industrial Decarbonization**

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**\*\*\* Draft Agenda \*\*\***

**Date**: November 29, 2021

**Time:** 10:00 – 12:00

**Location:** Zoom Event --- [REGISTER HERE](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ICeSmluXRy610esHC5IdAQ) ---

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| More stringent policies and a tighter ETS cap translate in additional pressure on industry to tackle its own emissions. A 62% target for ETS sectors means that carbon pricing - so far an effective tool to address emissions from the power sector - is to trigger significant decarbonization also by the EU industry. A tighter EU carbon market also impacts the free allocation regime under the ETS, with free allowances projected to run out by the end of the decade. A carbon adjustment mechanism at the border one of the solutions proposed by the Commission to preserve the international competitiveness of the EU industrial sector and avoid carbon leakage. Sectors covered by CBAM would have a 10-year transition period to adapt to the new regime before free allocation is fully phased-out. The proposal also increases the maximum update rate of benchmarks for sectors with higher innovation uptake, both to reflect innovation and technological progress more promptly and avoid the application of the cross sectoral correction factor. This meeting aims at discussing the future of the free allocation regime in the EU and the role of the ETS in encouraging abatement in the EU industrial sectors. Particularly, speakers will be encouraged to share their views on the following topics:* The impact of the *Fit for 55* package on the EU industry competitiveness
* The future of the free allocation regime and the consequences for EU businesses
* The role of Carbon contract for differences and ETS funds in promoting industrial decarbonization
* The Commission proposal to limit the size of the MSR to 400 million allowances
* The desirability of flexibility mechanisms for installations when complying with ETS obligations
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**10:00 Welcome**

* A. Marcu, ERCST Director

 **10.10 ERCST Presentation**

* A. Marcu, ERCST
* S. Cabras, ERCST

**10:20 Roundtable Discussion**

* B. Qin, BNEF
* P. Chauveau, Solvay
* A. Bolle, Statkraft
* J-P de Bruxelles, Fuels Europe

**12:00 End**