

Energy Sector Integration and Pricing Reforms in Lebanon, Jordan, and Syria

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Project Abstract

Integrating energy markets requires opening up national markets and hence a greater harmonization of regulatory rules and pricing schedules. Yet, in general in the Mashreq, possibly with the exception of Jordan, comprehensive national energy planning strategies are either inexistent or in their infant stages and harmonization of rules is inexistent. Our research focuses on the challenges to be addressed in light of possible energy market integration in Lebanon, Syria and Jordan with the potential for wider EU cooperation and the lessons that can be learned from the South East European Energy Community. Furthermore, a welfare analysis on the pricing of electricity is performed.