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JOINT STATEMENT ON COOPERATION IN ENERGY STRATEGY COORDINATION

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JOINT STATEMENT
on Cooperation in Energy Strategy Coordination

between

the Ministry of Climate and Energy of the Republic of Latvia,
the Ministry of Climate of the Republic of Estonia,
the Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Lithuania

(hereinafter collectively referred to as “the Participants”)

PREAMBLE

The Participants,

Recognising the fundamental importance of coordinated and forward-looking energy strategies for ensuring the long-term security, sustainability, affordability, and competitiveness of the Baltic energy systems;

Recalling the close and long-standing cooperation between the Baltic States in the field of energy policy, including regular ministerial-level coordination;

Taking note of the meeting of the Baltic States’ Ministers responsible for Energy held in Riga in January 2025, during which the Ministers agreed to strengthen coordination of national energy strategies towards 2050 and enhance regional information exchange;

Noting the successful synchronisation of the electricity systems of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania with the Continental European Network, marking a historic milestone in regional energy independence and cooperation;

Acknowledging the accelerated deployment of renewable energy sources in the Baltic region, alongside the need for system integration, flexibility, and infrastructure development;

Recognising that this Joint Statement is based on voluntary cooperation, mutual trust, and respect for national sovereignty and decision-making autonomy;

Have reached the following understanding:

SECTION 1

Purpose and Scope

1. The purpose of this Joint Statement on Cooperation in Energy Strategy Coordination (hereinafter “Joint Statement”) is to establish a framework for voluntary cooperation between the Participants on the coordination of national energy strategies.
2. This cooperation aims to enhance mutual understanding, transparency, and alignment of long-term strategic planning, while fully respecting national competences.
3. This Joint Statement provides a political and cooperative framework and does not create legally binding obligations.

SECTION 2

Principles of Cooperation

Cooperation under this Joint Statement shall be guided by the following principles:

- respect for national sovereignty and decision-making autonomy;
- voluntary participation and mutual benefit;
- transparency and regular information exchange;
- complementarity with existing Baltic, regional, and European cooperation frameworks;
- a balanced approach to sustainability, security of supply, and economic competitiveness.

SECTION 3

Areas of Cooperation

The Participants intend to cooperate, as appropriate, in the following areas:

3.1 Coordination of Energy Strategies

- exchange of information on national energy strategies, including long-term objectives towards 2050;
- discussion of strategic assumptions, scenarios, and policy priorities;
- identification of areas where greater regional coherence may bring added value.

3.2 Renewable Energy, System Integration and Decarbonization

- exchange of experience on the development and integration of renewable energy sources;
- cooperation on addressing system integration challenges, including grid development, flexibility, storage, and demand response;
- discussion of regional infrastructure needs supporting renewable energy deployment;
- exchange of views on regional infrastructure development for green hydrogen, and CO₂ capture and transport value chains, where relevant.

3.3 Energy System Planning and Market Development

- dialogue on electricity and gas market developments in the Baltic region;
- exchange of views on security of supply, adequacy, flexibility, balancing and regional investment needs;
- sharing best practices on regulatory and market-based solutions supporting secure and affordable energy supply.

3.4 Analytical Cooperation

- exchange of analytical approaches, modelling practices, and assessments related to energy system development;
- sharing non-confidential studies and data relevant for strategic planning.

3.5. Cooperation on the Protection and Resilience of Critical Energy Infrastructure

- closely cooperate in protecting and strengthening the resilience of critical energy infrastructure, both onshore and offshore;
- exchange views and best practices on prevention, detection, response, and recovery in relation to incidents affecting energy infrastructure;
- enhance coordination on addressing physical, cyber, and hybrid threats to energy systems, in line with existing Baltic and international cooperation frameworks;
- support joint efforts to improve preparedness, monitoring, and repair capabilities.

SECTION 4

Forms of Cooperation

Cooperation under this Joint Statement may include:

- regular or ad hoc meetings of Ministers, senior officials, and experts;
- joint workshops and technical discussions;
- exchange of non-confidential information, studies, and analyses.

SECTION 5

Institutional Arrangements

The Participants may designate national contact points to facilitate communication. This Joint Statement does not establish a permanent secretariat or decision-making body.

SECTION 6

Financial Provisions

This Joint Statement does not create any financial obligations. Each Participant shall bear its own costs arising from activities undertaken under this Joint Statement, unless otherwise jointly decided in writing.

SECTION 7

Confidentiality and Information Exchange

Information exchanged under this Joint Statement shall be handled in accordance with applicable national laws and regulations. Nothing in this Joint Statement obliges a Participant to disclose confidential or sensitive information.

SECTION 8

Legal Nature

This Joint Statement reflects the political intent of the Participants and is not legally binding. This Joint Statement does not create rights or obligations under international or domestic law.

SECTION 9

Amendment and Termination

This Joint Statement may be amended at any time by mutual written consent of the Participants. Any Participant may discontinue cooperation under this Joint Statement by providing written notice to the other Participants.

SECTION 10

Entry into Effect

This Joint Statement shall come into effect on the date of signature by all Participants and remain in effect until terminated.

Signed in Riga on 11 February 2026, in the English language.

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