

European Commission Vice-President for Energy Union Maroš Šefčovič visited Romania on September 27 for a two-day visit where he will discuss the country's involvement in regional energy markets and regional cooperation as well as the progress it is making in meeting its 2020 climate and energy targets and in contributing to the goals of the Energy Union. He stressed that investing in regional gas infrastructure is the Energy Union's key ingredient. "I congratulate Romania for having already met its 2020 renewables target and for making excellent progress towards its energy efficiency target and I look forward to discussing how the Clean Energy for All Europeans package can further help Romania pursue its energy transition," Šefčovič said ahead of his visit.

Šefčovič is expected to meet with Romanian Prime Minister Mihai Tudose, Minister for Energy Toma Petcu and members of the Energy and Transport, Industry and Services and European Affairs Committees of the Romanian Parliament.

"Let me also stress the need to continue with plans to reform its energy market, including the development of a forward-looking regulatory framework, in addition to improving interconnectivity with neighbouring countries," Šefčovič said ahead of his visit.

The European Commission Vice-President is also expected to deliver a keynote speech and participate in a roundtable debate at the Aspen Energy Summit, in addition to meeting with start-ups and researchers on social innovation for sustainable energy.

On 28 September, Šefčovič will attend the Central and South Eastern Europe Gas Connectivity conference in Bucharest.

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