All will be OK…? The Views from Poland and from the EU level on the energy crisis

Date and time: 25 November 2022 (Friday); 10.30-12.00 CET (Belgium)

Venue: Press Club Brussels Europe, Rue Froissart 95 - 1040 Brussels

Type of event: In-person public debate, livestreamed and recorded via PISM YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/user/PolandPISM

The energy crisis has hit the EU countries and their citizens with an unprecedented impetus, forcing the governments to undertake rapid mitigation measures. Decisions made internally are the result of complex considerations about: economic difficulties related to post-pandemic reconstruction, technological challenges resulting from the determinants of their energy mixes, and social expectations – especially in the period of approaching electoral campaigns. Also, at the EU level, countries are at odds over how to tackle the energy crisis, which significantly hinders (but does not prevent) making decisions. This meeting will serve as a starting point for the discussion on the Polish and then EU's recipe for improving the energy situation in the country:

- *What changes in market management have been forced on Poland and from larger perspective on EU by the crisis?*
- *Can Poland afford substantial changes in the energy mix?*
- *Where is Poland looking for a helping hand?*
- *How much pressure can Polish society withstand?*
- *Is Poland and EU losing sight of its climate goals?*

10:30 Welcome
Łukasz Jurczyszyn, Director of Brussels Office, Polish Institute of International Affairs

10:35 – 11:30 Panel discussion

Speakers:
Kinga Dudzińska, Senior Research Fellow, Polish Institute of International Affairs

Anna Strzaska, Head of Division "Green transition" MD GLOBAL, EEAS

Łukasz Lisicki, Policy Officer at European Commission (DG ENER)

Moderator: Zuzanna Nowak, Senior Research Fellow, Polish Institute of International Affairs

11:30 – 12.00 Q&A session

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