



# Is Europe Winning the Energy War?

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## The Berlin Energy Roundtable

**Speakers:**

- **Mr. Ben Aris**

Co-founder and [editor-in-chief](#) of bne IntelliNews, has covered Russia since 1993, also the Baltics and Central Asia. Former Moscow bureau chief, Daily Telegraph

- **Mr. Morten Frisch**

Senior Partner, [Morten Frisch Consulting](#) (MFC), Norwegian energy strategist, project developer, negotiator and expert witness with 50+ years hands on experience

- **Mr. Andriy Kobolov**

Former CEO of [Naftogaz](#), Ukraine's state-owned oil and gas company; co-founder [ENEY](#)

**Moderator:**

- **Dr. Thomas O'Donnell**

Global Fellow, Wilson Center, Wash., DC; adjunct faculty FU-Berlin (BEST); [energy and geostrategy analyst](#) and consultant

For a year before the Russian Federation's full-scale invasion of Ukraine, it had prepared to impose a parallel European energy crisis. Moscow undermined the filling of EU winter gas storage and later massively cut pipeline flows. Europe was plunged into a severe energy crisis.

Although Germany and the EU have survived ensuing winters, the energy crisis persists as high prices and supply concerns, inflicting continued damage on EU firms and citizens' livelihoods.

In retaliation, EU and transatlantic allies imposed severe energy and other sanctions, including an oil-price cap, to undermine Moscow's war-making capacities.

Who, if anyone, is winning the ongoing Energy War? Are EU-USA-G7 sanctions effective? Is the energy crisis sparking German and EU "deindustrialization" and recession? Have high-priced, maximalist "100% renewables" rendered Germany vulnerable? What could the EU-G7 do to accomplish undercutting Russian capacity, ending the energy crisis, and sustaining Ukraine to win?

**WHEN:** Tuesday, 24 October 2023, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

**WHERE:** Haus der Bundespressekonferenz, Raum 1/2

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**Registration required by October 23 via:** [events@divancentre.org](mailto:events@divancentre.org)