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Urban RUSNAK

Dr Rusnák is the longest-serving Secretary-General on the records of the International Energy Charter. Since becoming Secretary-General, Dr Rusnák has focused his efforts on modernizing and expanding the International Energy Charter. Upon his proposal in 2012, the Energy Charter Conference significantly increased its transparency policy by making its decisions available to the general public. During his tenure, five countries became Contracting Parties to the ECT (Afghanistan, Montenegro, Iceland, Jordan and Yemen) and three more have been invited to accede to the ECT (Mauretania, Burundi and Eswatini). In addition, 28 new countries and regional organizations became Observers of the Energy Charter Conference by signing the International Energy Charter. To improve democratic governance and better geographical balance, he also proposed to introduce the rotating Chairmanship of the Energy Charter Conference (2013). In parallel to addressing potential disruption of gas flow to the European Union due to the Russian-Ukrainian conflict, Dr Rusnák led the work on Energy Charter Early Warning Mechanism, which was adopted in 2014. Under his leadership, the Secretariat in 2018 also developed the Energy Investment Risks Assessment (#EIRA), its annual flagship publication.

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