

## **Position of CEPS regarding *Review of the ITC annual cross-border infrastructure compensation sum***

*Position of ČEPS regarding the size of infrastructure fund is consistent in long-term. CEPS has always been of the opinion that existing infrastructure had been from major part already paid-up (via national tariffs) and there is currently no need for further compensations. That is why CEPS proposed during ITC guidelines comitology process to set the fund to zero and to compensate new infrastructure for cross border electricity trading purposes via different mechanisms.*

*Underlying calculation principles remain unchanged and the proposed fund increase will lead only to change of financial positions of the particular parties without addressing remaining unsolved flaws (e.g. adequate compensation of loop flows). Moreover, CEPS would also like to point out that new financial instrument(s) supporting development of transmission infrastructure at EU level (e.g. European Infrastructure Package) shall be properly taken into account when reassessing ITC fund size.*

*CEPS recognizes complexity of this issue and challenges to find broadly acceptable compromise. That is why CEPS would welcome to keep the current status, i.e. to leave the volume of the infrastructure fund at 100 mil. €/year with possible further decreased corresponding to depreciation of already existing infrastructure.*