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Abstrakt:

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The presentation discussed the protection of critical energy infrastructure from the point of view of an international energy organisation, the Energy Charter, which is the only multilateral legally binding agreement providing rules for global energy governance and security, mainly in the areas of energy trade, transit, investment promotion and protection, energy efficiency as well as dispute settlement.

The presentation is structured as follows. It first shortly introduces the Energy Charter as an organisation and its main objectives. It then outlines the main activities of the Energy Charter in the area of energy security, namely the Energy Security Contact Group and the Early Warning Mechanism. It concludes with an outline of joint activities in this area together with the OSCE.

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