**A PUBLIC AFFAIRS PLATFORM FOR THE ANALYSIS OF THE LIBERALIZATION PROCESS IN THE ITALIAN ELECTRICITY MARKET**

**ABSTRACT**

The liberalization of electricity markets represents one of the most difficult challenge for European government, because of the conflicting interests of the stakeholders involved. In this paper, we shed light on this problem thanks to the analysis of the legislative process of an Italian law, which aims at wholly reforming the electricity market. The adoption of an innovative platform for public affair allows us to monitor this legislative process, and to understand how the stakeholders’ interests have been materialized in the proposals of different political parties and in the final version of the law. So, our paper provide not only a better understanding of electricity market reform process, but also an innovative tool for the analysis of similar public affairs issues.

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