

## **Biography of Benoit Esnault (CRE, France)**

Mr. Esnault has 20 years of experience in energy regulation and he holds a PhD in economics. He joined the National Regulatory Authority of France (CRE) in 2008 where he is currently head of the Interconnections and European Affairs Department, which is responsible for gas and electricity interconnections and the development and implementation of European regulations. Mr. Esnault has directly contributed to the development and application of the third legislative package and the TEN-E guidelines and he has chaired several European task forces. He has been chairing the MEDREG Electricity WG since 2016. Currently, he teaches industrial organization and energy governance in French universities.