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Armenia

Energy policy, economic and business news

Energy Community Secretariat Director visits Georgia and Armenia to discuss state of energy reforms 18 Sep

EU4Energy: Energy Charter assists Armenia in improving policymaking process in energy sector 18 Sep

Energy tariffs

Armenian lawmakers set up committee to deal with gas and electricity tariffs 1 Oct

Oil & Gas

Armenia to Begin Negotiations with Russia on Gas Price in November 28 Sep

Supply of Petrol Tickets for EU Delegation in Armenia 27 Sep

Gas supply to Armenia restored 26 Sep

Armenian PM instructs to set up working group to study gas prices 24 Sep

Pashinyan creates task force to look into natural gas price 24 Sep

Gas supply to Armenia ceased because of pipeline repair 24 Sep

Azerbaijan

Renewable Energy

Wind power production tripled 1 Oct

Baku Plans to Build Floating Solar Power Station in Boyukshor Lake 1 Oct

Azerbaijan's solar power plant preparing to connect new solar panels 26 Sep

Ambassador: Nakhchivan can become example for Europe in development of alternative energy 22 Sep

Equinor Shows Interest in Azerbaijan's Alternative Energy Sector 17 Sep

Azerbaijan can build solar power plants abroad 17 Sep

Energy policy, economic and business news

Energy Minister to take part in Russian Energy Week 2 Oct

Baku to host German-Azerbaijani Business Forum 2018 on Energy & ICT 2 Oct

Ministry of Energy of Azerbaijan to Develop Long-term Energy Strategy 28 Sep

Gazprom Neft Representatives Visit SOCAR Training Center 28 Sep

EU4Energy supports Azerbaijan in developing a long-term energy strategy 27 Sep

Azerbaijan and Russia to mull energy cooperation 27 Sep

Azerbaijan invites new countries to join North-South energy corridor project 27 Sep

Mehriban Aliyeva Reveals Scale of Participation of Italian Business in Oil, Gas Projects in Azerbaijan 26 Sep

Azerbaijan, Algeria discuss expansion of cooperation 26 Sep

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Ministry talks linking energy systems of Azerbaijan, Iran, Georgia 24 Sep
MP: Azerbaijan becomes one of most powerful players in energy market 23 Sep
Urgent measures taken in Azerbaijan's energy system 21 Sep
Azerbaijan to chair Energy Charter Conference 21 Sep
Parviz Shahbazov to attend meeting of OPEC+ ministers 20 Sep
7th International Caspian Energy Forum Baku-2018 kicks off 20 Sep
Sefcovic: Azerbaijan, Caspian region important partners of Europe in energy sector 20 Sep
BP prepares ESIA draft version for Azeri Central East Project 19 Sep
Southern Gas Corridor discussed during visit of International Energy Agency Director to Azerbaijan 17 Sep

Electricity

Azerenerji Eliminates Consequences of July Accident at Azerbaijan Thermal Power Plant 24 Sep
Azerbaijan Increased Electricity Production by 2% in Jan. -Aug. 2018 24 Sep
Azerenergy generated 1.9 bn kWh of electricity in August 18 Sep

Oil & Gas

STAR refinery to reach its full production capacity in early 2019 2 Oct
Expected volume of gas supplies for 2018 via TANAP announced 2 Oct
Azerbaijani oil prices continue to rise 2 Oct
381 new buildings gasified in Azerbaijan for past 3 quarters 1 Oct
Azerbaijan Reduced Gas Exports to Turkey by 4% in January-July 1 Oct
TAP can help reduce gas cost for Italian families 26 Sep
Armenia Gas Line Repairs 25 Sep
Investments in Oil, Gas Sector of Azerbaijan under PSA Exceeded \$ 80 Billion 24 Sep
SOCAR planning to increase gas deliveries to Georgia 23 Sep
Azerbaijan to increase gas production, expand geography of exports 21 Sep
SOCAR ex-head: Co-op with European Charter promises great benefits for Azerbaijan 21 Sep
BP Azerbaijan talks possibility of gas export from Shafag-Asiman via SGC 21 Sep
SOCAR Plans to Start Exploration in Babek Structure in 2020 21 Sep
Lukoil opens its 58th petrol station in Baku under its brand 20 Sep
Socar to start construction of a new petrochemical complex in Turkey next June 20 Sep
First exploration well on Shafag-Asiman structure to be drilled in 2nd half of 2019 19 Sep
Production from gas condensate field Absheron scheduled for 2020-21 19 Sep
Socar president: A new well from second platform on Umid field to be drilled in 2020 19 Sep
Azerbaijan reveals oil, gas production and export volumes 18 Sep
EIB financing remains conditional upon TAP being operated in line with environmental standards 17 Sep

Belarus

Energy policy, economic and business news

Energy week in Minsk 2 Oct (in Russian)

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Youth scientific and practical conference of the Belarusian energy system specialists was held in Logoisk
2 Oct (in Russian)

The reconstruction of the Braslav peat briquette plant is being completed 28 Sep (in Russian)

About the State Production Association "Belenergo" organizations service export 28 Sep (in Russian)

Minsk to host Belarusian-German energy forum on 8 October 26 Sep

Belarusian-German Energy Forum to be held on October 8 in Minsk 26 Sep (in Russian)

The Ministers of Energy of the EAEU discussed the pricing for gas transportation 24 Sep (in Russian)

"Nuclear technology day" to be held in Minsk 21 Sep (in Russian)

China plans to produce thin solar panels in Belarus 20 Sep (in Russian)

Belarus-Russia oil talks still in progress 20 Sep

No dramatic rise in fuel prices in Belarus 20 Sep

Electricity

Belarusian national electric company reports 50% increase in export of services 27 Sep

Oil & Gas

STAR refinery to reach its full production capacity in early 2019 2 Oct

Belarus to raise export duties on oil, oil products on 1 October 28 Sep

Belarusian industrial enterprises to get Russian oil products without restrictions 26 Sep

Belorusneft: No deficit of oil products should Russia cut supplies to Belarus 20 Sep

Belorusneft aims for record high oil, gas extraction figures in Russia 20 Sep

Belarusian Oil Company eager to keep oil products export at last year's level in 2018 20 Sep

Nuclear Energy

Trainings to be held on Belorussian NPP 2 Oct (in Russian)

Belarusian nuclear power plant to undergo emergency response exercise on 3-4 October 2 Oct

International technical aid to help Belarus improve nuclear regulation ahead of BelNPP launch 27 Sep

Energy Ministry confirms readiness to discuss Belarusian nuclear power plant with Lithuania 25 Sep

Belarusian nuclear power plant staffed well 25 Sep

Belarus will continue active cooperation with the IAEA in the nuclear energy development – Mihadyuk
18 Sep (in Russian)

Rosatom confirms plans to commission first unit of Belarusian nuclear power plant in 2019 17 Sep

Rosatom confirms its intention to put into operation the first unit of the Belarusian NPP in 2019 17 Sep
(in Russian)

Georgia

Energy efficiency

Irma Kavtaradze Introduced Draft Law on Energy Efficiency of Building to Parliament Members and
Experts 24 Sep

Renewable Energy

Natia Turnava: We will provide even stronger support to the development of the small HPPs 2 Oct

Kheledula HPP 25 Sep

The Transformation of Enguri 20 Sep

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Energy Community Regulatory School unveils new set of training courses 3 Oct
German KfW and French AFD sign 74mln EUR loan agreements to support Georgia's Energy Sector Reform 2 Oct
Georgian Ministry of Environment launches information platform 27 Sep
Giorgi Kobulia Met with European Investment Bank Regional Director, Vazil Hudák 27 Sep
Giorgi Kobulia Met EBRD Board Directors 26 Sep
Giorgi Kobulia: Asian Development Bank to expand its 1.5 billion investment portfolio in Georgia 26 Sep
Natia Turnava: Georgia's role as an energy hub in the region will further strengthen following the energy sector reform 26 Sep
Natia Turnava: Georgia has to become regional hub in terms of energy market and energy trade 24 Sep
Sustainable Management of Machakhela National Park Benefits Local Communities 24 Sep
Energy Community Secretariat Director visits Georgia and Armenia to discuss state of energy reforms 18 Sep
Giorgi Kobulia Met Energy Community Secretariat Director, Janez Kopač 17 Sep
Giorgi Kobuli Met with KHNP Leadership 17 Sep

Moldova

Renewable Energy

Moldova: Green energy used to heat kindergarten in Horesti thanks to EU support 19 Sep
EU financially backs transition to ecological energy of kindergarten in central district of Moldova 17 Sep
European support: a modern biomass heating system was installed at the kindergarten in Horesti, Ialoveni 17 Sep

Energy policy, economic and business news

Energy Community Regulatory School unveils new set of training courses 3 Oct
Several buildings in Chisinau connected to heating 2 Oct
The energy security of Moldova was discussed in Brussels. 28 Sep
EU suggests Moldova should develop ties with gas providers both from East, Western Europe 28 Sep
The Republic of Moldova will be provided with the necessary volume of natural gas. Prime Minister Pavel Filip discussed with Deputy President "Gazprom", Valerii Golubev 25 Sep
Pavel Filip held meeting with Valeriu Golubev, vice president of Gazprom 25 Sep
Moldovan State Energy Inspectorate to merge with National Energy Regulatory Agency 24 Sep
National Agency for Energy Regulation and National Bureau of Statistics are reorganized in context of CPA reform 24 Sep
Chisinau will have new power stations for electric cars 21 Sep
Local authorities aim to turn Chisinau into eco-friendly city 20 Sep
Moldova: Energy and environment discussed at first meeting of the Dniester Commission 18 Sep
Moldova counts on Romania's support in modernizing the energy infrastructure and integrating into the EU energy market in order to ensure the country's energy security. 17 Sep

Electricity

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ANRE approved for Gas Natural Fenosa Furnizare Energie the basic costs for the supply of electricity at regulated prices for 2018 28 Sep

Ukrenergo to sign agreement with Moldelectrica on simultaneous work in late 2018 18 Sep

Oil & Gas

Transgaz will receive a €46 million grant from the Work Program on Large Infrastructure for the Development of the National Gas Transmission System in the North-East of Romania (NGS) 1 Oct

ANRE approved a decision to impose on Moldovagaz the obligation to provide state services for the supply of natural gas throughout the territory of Moldova, if necessary, for a period of 3 years 28 Sep

Transgaz company to get €46 million to increase capacity of gas pipeline to Moldova 28 Sep

Delivery of natural gas to suspend to more consumers in Chisinau 21 Sep

Russian Federation

Renewable Energy

Russia's Hevel to launch 60-MW solar park in 2019 1 Oct

Hevel concluding construction of 25 MW of solar plants in Russia 21 Sep

Russia's Rakurs Engineering to help Bosnia's Serb Republic build 4 HPPs 17 Sep

Energy policy, economic and business news

Moscow and St. Petersburg host 2nd Russian Energy Week 3 Oct

Putin names oil price satisfactory for Russia 3 Oct

Novak: Russia has no desire to be gas monopoly in Europe 3 Oct

Serbia and Russia remove destination clause from gas supply agreement 2 Oct

Energy Minister to take part in Russian Energy Week 2 Oct

Gazprom sells its share in Turkish Bosphorus Gaz 1 Oct

Gazprom Neft Representatives Visit SOCAR Training Center 28 Sep

Merkel and Erdogan fight off Trump's claim their gas imports 'feed' Russia 28 Sep

Azerbaijan and Russia to mull energy cooperation 27 Sep

Iranian oil minister to attend Russian Energy Week 26 Sep

Alexey Teksler took part in the Fifth International Forum "NDEXPO-2018" 25 Sep (in Russian)

Anastasia Bondarenko: "Ministry of Energy has prepared a draft law that allows to alleviate the burden on small and medium business" 25 Sep (in Russian)

Anastasia Bondarenko told about the Ministry of energy of the Russian Federation legislative initiative in an interview for Tass 25 Sep (in Russian)

Pavel Snikkars: "It is important to compliance balance in technologies of all participants of generation" 24 Sep (in Russian)

OPEC, Russia rebuff Trump's call for immediate boost to oil output 23 Sep

Alexey Kulapin took part in the meeting of the Council on the priority direction of the scientific and technological development of Russian Federation in the energy sector 20 Sep (in Russian)

15-th session of the Intergovernmental Russian-Chinese energy commission was been held 17 Sep (in Russian)

Oil & Gas

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Novak: Russia has room to raise oil output 3 Oct

Novak: Russia can increase oil output, but sanctions may cause further price rises 3 Oct

Signed a Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Energy of the Russian Federation and the Ministry of Energy of Pakistan's offshore pipeline 27 Sep (in Russian)

Lukoil opens its 58th petrol station in Baku under its brand 20 Sep

Ministry of Energy Predicts Date of Decline in Oil Production in Russia 19 Sep

Rosneft to Set New Record for Exporting Oil to China 19 Sep

Russian oil exported through China 19 Sep

Novak on OPEC+ possible topics for discussion in Algeria 17 Sep

Chancellor of Germany on Export Gas Pipelines of Russia 17 Sep

Nuclear Energy

How EBRD is helping Russia deal with its nuclear legacy 26 Sep

Ukraine

Energy efficiency

EU4Energy: 30,000 households benefit from energy efficiency programme in Ukraine 24 Sep

30,000 Ukrainian households benefit from EBRD's energy efficiency programme 21 Sep

Serhii Savchuk: SAEE in synergy with SUEZ is working on incentives to produce energy from waste in Ukraine 20 Sep

EU intends to issue € 54 mln more to the Energy Efficiency Fund 19 Sep (in Russian)

Hennadii Zubko: We shaped step-by-step plan for the work of condominium with the EEF 19 Sep

Some 66 enterprises to pass energy efficiency audit under GIZ project 18 Sep

Hennadii Zubko: EU to provide additional € 54 million to support Energy Efficiency Fund 18 Sep

SAEE and EBRD consolidate cooperation in the sector of energy efficiency certification in Ukraine 18 Sep

Ukraine annually loses \$1.5 bln due to low energy efficiency – Ministry 18 Sep (in Russian)

Head of SAEE and German MP discussed promising areas of cooperation in energy efficiency and clean energy 17 Sep

Ukraine: Energy saving in focus at a forum in Kharkiv 17 Sep

Renewable Energy

The first solar power plant in the region to be built near Chernihiv city 3 Oct (in Russian)

Canadians are ready to invest in the construction of a solar power plant in the Lugansk region 2 Oct (in Russian)

The British company plans to invest from 3 to 5 million in the first one of the 20 new solar plants in Ukraine 1 Oct (in Russian)

New solar power station was built on the roof of the Khmelnytsky National University 29 Sep (in Ukrainian)

Solar power plant to be launched on a chemical plant in the Lviv region 28 Sep (in Ukrainian)

The share of renewable energy in Ukraine has increased 28 Sep (in Ukrainian)

Two new solar power plants started working in the Khmelnytsky region 27 Sep (in Russian)

Touchstone interested in building offshore combined solar, wind power plant in Ukraine 26 Sep

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A new solar power station with a capacity of 15 MW is under construction in Zhytomyr region 26 Sep (in Russian)

The British are interested in the project of building of an offshore combined wind-solar power plant in Ukraine 26 Sep (in Russian)

Over the past 3 years, green investments to the tune of over EUR1.1 billion have been attracted, says Chairman of the State Agency for Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving of Ukraine 25 Sep

The company Supreme Business Group plans to build solar stations in Ukraine 25 Sep (in Russian)

Installed capacity of RES in Ukraine increased by 400 MW, 280 MW – solar power plants for the first half of 2018 24 Sep (in Russian)

EUR 140 mln to be invested in the solar energy of Lviv region by the end of the year 24 Sep (in Russian)

TIU Canada breaks ground on 13.5-MW PV plant in Ukraine 24 Sep

TIU Canada began construction of a new solar power plant in the Mykolaiv region 21 Sep (in Ukrainian)

A third solar station to be built in the Dunaevetsky united territorial community in the Khmelnytsky region. This time it is with a capacity of 14.5 MW 22 Sep (in Ukrainian)

The city in Mykolaiv region intends to install a solar power plant on the roof of the hospital 21 Sep (in Ukrainian)

At the investment forum in Kiev agreed are the investment projects at \$ 625 million. Two of these projects are wind farms with a capacity of 360 MW 21 Sep (in Ukrainian)

Windkraft Ukraine will increase wind power capacity in the Kherson region to 170 MW by the end of this year 21 Sep (in Ukrainian)

Windkraft Ukraine plans to boost wind farm capacities by 150-170 MW 20 Sep

New solar power plants will appear in the Nikolaev region 19 Sep (in Russian)

Solar power plant is planned to be built in the village Banovka of the Odessa region 18 Sep (in Russian)

Bio-power plants to be built on sunflower with a capacity of 8.6 MW in the Zaporozhye region 18 Sep (in Russian)

Energy policy, economic and business news

Energy Community Regulatory School unveils new set of training courses 3 Oct

Winners of energy grants to be announced during Ecoinnovations forum in Ukraine 1 Oct

DTEK announces plans to squeeze out shares in DTEK Pavlohradvuhillia 28 Sep

Further trilateral talks on gas expected at ministerial level - Naftogaz official 27 Sep

Progress made in Ukraine under Energy Community's resolution centre 27 Sep

Ukrainian, Croatian presidents discuss energy security 26 Sep

Trilateral gas talks resemble giving lectures to Russians 26 Sep

EU4Energy: New methodology for integration of electricity markets in Ukraine 24 Sep

If Nord Stream 2 project implemented, Ukraine to lose gas transit - ex-Ukrainian president Kuchma 24 Sep

EU4Energy supports development of cross-border capacity calculation methodology for Ukraine 21 Sep

Prime Minister assures subsidies in the new heating season be obtained by everyone in need 21 Sep

Ministry of Energy and Coal Industry and GIZ discussed further steps on future cooperation related to the implementation of EITI in Ukraine 21 Sep

Energy regulator refuses postponing introduction of daily gas balancing, Ukrtransgaz warns of incomplete registration of contractors 21 Sep

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Ukrenergohold expects corporatization to be completed by mid-Nov 20 Sep
EU4Energy fosters discussion on cross-border trading mechanisms in Ukraine 19 Sep
Norway supports Ukraine's role as gas transit country 19 Sep
Alternative to Nord Stream 2 could be joint management of Ukrainian GTS – PM at meeting with Norwegian parliament president 19 Sep
Ukraine is one of most energy-intensive economies in world - Vice PM Klymush-Tsintsadze 18 Sep
We have no right to turn a blind eye to global problems, especially in the energy sector, says Prime Minister at a meeting with President of the Storting of Norway 18 Sep
Agreement in principal with IMF on gradual increase of gas price to imported gas price parity by 2020 reached, pace being discussed 18 Sep
SigmaBleyzer announces setting up International Fund for Ukrainian Energy LP for \$250 mln 18 Sep

Energy tariffs

NCER to increase Ukrenergohold's tariff by 1.5% from Oct 20 Sep

Electricity

EU4Energy: Cross-border trade of electricity discussed in Ukraine 21 Sep
The progress of the electricity market reform with the first stage commencing in December this year tackled by the Gov't members 20 Sep
Ukraine raises electricity exports by 6.6% in eight months 20 Sep
Ukrenergohold to sign agreement with Moldelectrica on simultaneous work in late 2018 18 Sep

Oil & Gas

Ukraine consumed 17 bcm of gas in H1 2018 – State Statistics Service 1 Oct
Ukraine accumulates 16.18 billion cubic meters of gas 1 Oct
Energy market regulator postpones switch to daily gas balancing for Dec 1 28 Sep
Armenia to Begin Negotiations with Russia on Gas Price in November 28 Sep
Cabinet extends PSO for gas sales to households, heat supply companies until Oct 18 28 Sep
Social policy minister not ruling out govt refusal to raise gas price from Oct 1 with lack of agreement with IMF 26 Sep
Energy Community Secretariat reviews amendments to the gas transmission tariff methodology of Ukraine 25 Sep
Ukrnafta to use fracking to produce extra 6,500 tonnes of oil in 2018 25 Sep
Ukrtransgaz accepts Zorya-Mashproekt's offer for rebuild Yahotyyn compressor station 24 Sep
SPF waiting for new tender to select supplier of gas on tolling terms to Odesa Port-Side Plant 24 Sep
Naftogaz suspects gas supply companies of setting gas consumption figures higher using subsidy schemes 19 Sep
Ukraine cannot postpone tender to select partner in managing GTS – Naftogaz board chairman 17 Sep

Coal

Prime Minister stands for increasing investment component in total funding for the coal industry 21 Sep

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