



## **Eastern Europe Energy Update – 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2018**

**Armenia Azerbaijan Belarus Georgia Moldova Russian Federation Ukraine**

### **Armenia**

#### **Renewable Energy**

Aksiona company to build wind power plant in Armenia with 200 MW capacity 19 Nov

Armenia attaches great importance to utilizing renewable energy potential, says Avinyan 14 Nov

EBRD interested in new projects in renewable energy segment of Armenia 14 Nov

Acting deputy PM: Armenia considers renewable energy as locomotive of economic development 14 Nov

#### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

State revenue committee's accusations threaten Gazprom Armenia's planned agreement with Russian bank 15 Nov

Energy Week Armenia 2018 investment forum kicks off in Yerevan 14 Nov

Acting minister: Energy junction status will provide Armenia wide investment opportunities 14 Nov

Armenian authorities embark on stage-by-stage liberalization of energy market 14 Nov

Pashinyan accuses Gazprom of corruption 14 Nov

#### **Electricity**

Electric Networks of Armenia plan IPO 16 Nov

#### **Oil & Gas**

State revenue committee accuses two natural gas filling stations of tax evasion in the amount of 381 million drams 15 Nov

Gazprom-Armenia accused of gross tax dodging 14 Nov

### **Azerbaijan**

#### **Renewable Energy**

Holcim Azerbaijan replaces natural sources of energy with alternate 14 Nov

#### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

Azerbaijan improves position in WEC's Energy Trilemma Index 2018 19 Nov

Azerbaijan's Energy Minister to take part in ceremony devoted to completion of project of construction of offshore section of Turkish Stream gas pipe 19 Nov

TAP finalises Maintenance Agreement Talks with Albgaz/Snam JV 15 Nov

Azerbaijani power station blows up 14 Nov

President Ilham Aliyev approved PSA type contract between SOCAR and BP for exploration & development of D230 block 14 Nov

#### **Electricity**

Azerishig Selects Smart-card Electric Meter Supplier 21 Nov

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### Oil & Gas

TANAP gas pipeline connected with TAP at Turkish-Greek border 21 Nov  
Azerbaijani oil prices down 21 Nov  
Azerbaijan Imports 70,000 Tons of Gasoline during Scheduled Refinery Repairs 21 Nov  
Oil produced from Azeri-Chirag-Gunashli oilfield block reached 22 million tons for Jan-Sept 2018 21 Nov  
Minister: SOCAR, Turkey continue co-op in oil & gas exploration 19 Nov  
Azerbaijan, Russia to develop gas fields in northern part of Caspian Sea 19 Nov  
Azerbaijan Increases Gas Production by 5.6% in January-October 19 Nov  
This Year Azerbaijan Imported Russian Gas Only Three Months 19 Nov  
Azerigaz: Azerbaijan's Gasification Reaches 95% 19 Nov  
Azerbaijan's Azerigaz eyes to complete supplying gas to 128 settlements 17 Nov  
Azerbaijan took a high rate of increasing gas and gas condensate production 17 Nov  
Azerbaijan Exports Oil for \$ 13 Billion in January-October 16 Nov  
Expro wins four-year contract extension for Shah Deniz Stage 2 15 Nov  
Gas supply to Azerbaijani population increases 15 Nov

### Belarus

#### Energy policy, economic and business news

The results of the work of the State Enterprise "Belenergo" for 9 months of 2018 21 Nov (in Russian)  
The National Academy of Sciences of Belarus and the State Atomic Energy Corporation "Rosatom" discussed the prospects for cooperation in the development of nuclear technologies 21 Nov (in Russian)  
Lukashenko sets a goal to achieve 100% energy independence and security 16 Nov (in Russian)  
Meeting on the improvement of the Belarusian energy management system 16 Nov (in Russian)

#### Electricity

Belarusian government looking into ways to encourage higher electricity usage 16 Nov

#### Oil & Gas

Russian Railways extends discount for transporting oil products from Belarus to Russian ports 20 Nov  
Ambassador: Little progress in Minsk-Moscow oil and gas price talks yet 19 Nov  
Belarus taking part in major oil, gas industry expo in UAE 14 Nov

### Georgia

#### Energy efficiency

EU4Energy to assist Georgia in developing energy performance of buildings calculation methodology 16 Nov

#### Renewable Energy

Stop energy losses: Enguri Hydropower Plant undergoes rehabilitation with EU support 20 Nov

#### Oil & Gas

Natia Turnava Examined Accomplished and Ongoing Gasification Works in Guria 15 Nov  
Natia Turnava: Local citizens will be engaged in the natural gas infrastructure construction 15 Nov

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### Moldova

#### **Energy efficiency**

Smart lighting systems introduced in Moldova thanks to EU 14 Nov

#### **Renewable Energy**

Solar trees generating photovoltaic electricity to be installed in Chisinau 17 Nov

Solar power plant generates electricity for the local winemaker in Moldova 16 Nov (in Ukrainian)

Ellmann EE Engineering German company intends to invest in the sector of renewable energy sources in Moldova 14 Nov

Proceeds from sales of Moldovan HPP (Dnestrovsk) over 9 months of 2018, in Russian rubles, increased 1.6 times, reaching 6 billion 275 million Russian rubles 14 Nov

Hydropower constructions affect biodiversity of rivers, opinion 14 Nov

#### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

Two signatories of the Covenant of Mayors on Climate and Energy in Moldova - Cimislia and Ialoveni districts - and an potential signatory - ATU Gagauzia - will benefit from financing for development of Action Plans for Climate and Sustainable Energy (SECAPs), in two projects launched in Chisinau, November 20, 2018 20 Nov

#### **Electricity**

In January-September 2018, Ukrainian electricity supplies to Moldova amounted to \$42.17 million in monetary terms 16 Nov

#### **Oil & Gas**

Monitorul Oficial published the ANRE decision on the reduction of the specific trade margin's size related to the sale of gasoline and diesel fuel; the decrease is from 3.35 to 3.25 lei per liter 19 Nov

Plan of measures to ensure safety of gas cylinders presented in Moldova 19 Nov

Gazprom for 9 months 2018, compared with the same period of 2017, increased gas supplies to Moldova (including Transnistria) by 11.1% - up to 2 billion 017 million cubic meters. 15 Nov

### Russian Federation

#### **Energy efficiency**

The Russian Energy Agency organized the All-Russian Exhibition of Energy-Saving Lighting Products 16 Nov

#### **Renewable Energy**

All turbines up at 50.4-MW wind farm in Russia's Ulyanovsk 16 Nov

to-the-point: Solar parks totalling 105 MW start operation in Russia 14 Nov

#### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

Central bank explains why Russian economy more resistant to oil price volatility 20 Nov

Andey Cherezov: "Russian companies have contributed to building the world's tallest Rogun HPP" 16 Nov

#### **Oil & Gas**

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Erdogan: Turkey Purchased 387 Billion Cubic Meters of Gas from Russia 21 Nov  
Gazprom signs record pipeline contract 21 Nov  
Russian oil companies wonder how to spend profits 20 Nov  
Turkish Stream pipeline links Russia and Turkey 19 Nov  
This Year Azerbaijan Imported Russian Gas Only Three Months 19 Nov  
Gascade restores gas supply via Nord Stream 17 Nov  
Turkmenistan May Enter into Settlement Agreement with Gazprom 16 Nov

### Ukraine

#### **Energy efficiency**

Energy efficient “hives” at the Pridneprovskaya TPP save 90% of electricity and reduce CO2 emissions 20 Nov (in Russian)  
State Agency for Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving, Climate Bonds Initiative and UNDP consider ways of introduction of green bonds in Ukraine 16 Nov  
496,000 families seized opportunities of warm loans program 14 Nov  
Ukraine wants to launch a system of warm loans for industry 14 Nov (in Russian)

#### **Renewable Energy**

The first Ukrainian wind turbine with a capacity of 5 MW will be installed on Karachun mountain 21 Nov (in Russian)  
It is planned to build a solar power plant with a capacity of 3 MW in the Ivano-Frankivsk region 17 Nov (in Russian)  
A man connected street lighting to a solar panel in the village of Vinnitsa 16 Nov (in Ukrainian)  
Ukrgezvydobuvannia plans to build 3 MW solar power plant 16 Nov  
Ukrgezproduktion plans to build 3 MW solar power plant by the end of 2019 16 Nov (in Ukrainian)  
Maxim Timchenko: DTEK invests EUR 1 billion in RES 15 Nov (in Russian)  
Port of Mariupol saved about 30 thousand m3 of natural gas due to solar collectors 15 Nov (in Russian)

#### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

EU helps increase investment in sustainable energy in Ukraine 21 Nov  
EBRD to stop financing solar energy in Ukraine before introducing green auctions 20 Nov (in Russian)  
Ukrenergo and Kharkiv University named after Beketov began master's program for future electricians 19 Nov (in Russian)  
Payback period of investment projects for GTS is at least 5 years – Kobolev 19 Nov  
Naftogaz head notes absence of foreign buyers of share in Ukraine's GTS estimated at \$14 bln 19 Nov  
U.S., Ukraine coordinate efforts aimed at stopping construction of Nord Stream 2, TurkStream 17 Nov  
Ukraine, Qatar to cooperate in energy and infrastructure spheres 16 Nov  
Ukraine interested in purchasing liquefied gas and coal until it covers resources deficit – Groysman 16 Nov  
Nord Stream 2: Ukrainian MPs send open letter to Merkel 16 Nov  
Ukraine sells 40% in Donetsk-based YUZHNIIGIPROGAZ Institute belonged to Gazprom 16 Nov

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Volodymyr Kistion: Government provided every opportunity for Ukgaszydobuvannia to ensure efficient operation 14 Nov

Sustainable energy discussed at international conference in Kyiv 14 Nov

Naftogaz top manager Vitrenko will focus on relations with Gazprom, development strategy of Ukrnafta 13 Nov

Prime Minister: Our target is to boost domestic gas production to 20 bcm and obtain complete energy independence 13 Nov

PM sets tasks for Naftogaz, Ukgazvydobuvannia to actively boost own gas production, launch new wells 13 Nov

### **Energy tariffs**

Draft methodology for calculating tariffs for ancillary services presented under EU4Energy 20 Nov

### **Oil & Gas**

Joint Energy Community Secretariat - EBRD event explores establishment of a Ukrainian gas exchange 21 Nov

Ukraine cuts gas inventories by 0.3 bcm 19 Nov

Naftogaz to sign framework contract to supply gas for UAH 85 bln with Naftogaz Trading 19 Nov

Ukraine decreases gas stocks by 200 million cubic meters over past week 16 Nov

Ukraine is keen on projects for the purchase of liquefied gas and coal until it offsets the resource demand with domestic fossil fuels, says Volodymyr Groysman 16 Nov

Naftogaz to aim to directly work with households-end consumers of gas, heat 13 Nov

Two new Chinese drilling rigs for Ukgazvydobuvannia arrive in Ukraine 13 Nov

### **Coal**

Coal miners end hunger strike at Kapustin coal mine in Luhansk region 19 Nov

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