

# Update on the EaP's Energy Deliverables & on the Structured Consultation on The Eastern Partnership post-2020

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Encourages regional cooperation and tailor-made bilateral cooperation between the EU and each partner country



Supports Eastern partners in moving towards stronger economy, governance, connectivity, and society



**Boosts trade exchanges:** 

+84% EU exports to Eastern partners (between 2005-2016)

# 20 Deliverables for 2020

## Objective

Identify concrete results for citizens on the basis of existing commitments



#### Structure

20 deliverables structured along EaP 4 priority areas, apart from 3 cross-cutting deliverables



#### Consultation with stakeholders

Document consulted with wide range of stakeholders, including Eastern Partner Countries and EU Member States.



## Monitoring

Monitor progress every year. In 2019 good progress in most areas, while some challenges still remain.



## Top 10 achievements of the Eastern Partnership in the last 10 Years

1

The EU has new political and economic bilateral agreements, which guide relations and cooperation with most Eastern Partner countries and bring tangible benefits to citizens across the region.

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More diversified and vibrant economies across the region, which attract investment and create jobs. The EU has provided over 125,000 loans to SMEs, of which more than 50% were in local currency, to support growth in the region.

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Better transport links and infrastructure under the EU's TEN-T extension which foresees 4,800 km of new and rehabilitated roads and railways by 2030. This will open new opportunities for economic development and exchanges between the EU and the Partner Countries, as well as among the Partner Countries themselves.

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More trade and investment opportunities between the EU Member States and the six Eastern Partner countries:

- More investment: The number of companies from DCFTA countries exporting to the EU has significantly increased since 2015: Georgia by 35%, Moldova by 40% and Ukraine by 26%.
- ► More trade: The six Eastern
  Partner countries together are
  now the EU's 10<sup>th</sup> trading partner.
  Volumes of trade have also
  increased: by 12% with Armenia,
  28% with Azerbaijan,
  16% with Belarus.

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Visa free regimes have been put in place between the EU and Georgia, Ukraine and Moldova. The EU has facilitation and readmission agreements in place with Armenia, and has finalised negotiations with Belarus. These are key in promoting the movement of both EU and partner country citizens in a secure and well-managed environment.

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More energy resilience and efficiency by decreasing energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions, and by increasing the share of renewable energy:

- Thanks to EU support, almost 100,000 families could reduce their energy bills and improve their living standards.
- ► The Covenant of Mayors the EU's trademark initiative for local energy and climate action has grown into a network of 400 municipalities, covering around 40% of the 6 partners population, while over 10% of the whole population have benefitted from municipal infrastructure improvements thanks to the E5P Fund.

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Easier access to a high-capacity broadband internet network for 2 million scientists, academics and students at over 700 Research and Education institutions in the six Eastern Partner countries.

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Support for young people, particularly in terms of developing their skills and fostering their employability, including through more access to EU programmes:

- ► More than 80,000 youth exchanges by 2020, including through ERASMUS+ porgramme.
- ► The European School launched in Tbilisi offers high quality education to the leaders of the future.

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More accessible and serviceoriented public services for citizens across the region with new service-centre one-stopshops and/or e-government services across the six countries.

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More awareness of the EU among citizens across the Eastern Partner countries, as well as the Eastern Partnership among EU citizens.

# Monitoring of the 20 Deliverables for 2020 – Overview on connectivity



MODERATE PROGRESS: ON TRACK: COMPLETED:

Connectivity, energy efficiency, environment and climate change;

ACHIEVED

- ✓ The indicative TEN-T Investment Action Plan finalised, foreseeing the development of approximately 5,500 kilometres of roads and railways across the region by 2020 and an additional 4,600 kilometres by 2030
- ✓ The recent inauguration of the Azerbaijan Georgia section of the Southern Gas Corridor strengthens common energy security
- ✓ High-level energy efficiency initiative between the EU and International Financial Institutions has led to improved legislation and investments to reach more people, municipalities and SMEs to help cut energy bills, and improve standards

# Stronger Connectivity Focus on Energy Deliverables

# **Deliverable 14: Energy supply**

Efficiency and transparency of energy markets

Update and review of key priority projects

Moldova-Romania gas interconnection

Southern Gas Corridor operational

# Deliverable 15: Energy efficiency, renewables and climate change mitigation

Investment grants for energy efficiency

Sustainable Energy and Climate
Action Plans

SME support for sustainable efficiency

Climate policies, financing, and emissions MRV

# Monitoring of the 20 Deliverables for 2020 – Focus on three key results

## <u>Deliverable 14: Increase energy supply</u> <u>security</u>



Progress on the Southern Gas Corridor is on track. First commercial deliveries from Azerbaijan to Turkey started in 2018.

# Deliverable 15: Enhance energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy; reduce GHG emissions

- ✓ In 2018, the Ukrainian window of the Eastern Europe Energy Efficiency and Environment Partnership (E5P) had the best results since establishment. E5P has leveraged a total investment of EUR 770 million in five Partner Countries.
- The high level EU-IFIs energy efficiency initiative has increased political ownership in Georgia and Ukraine, e.g. in Ukraine an Energy Efficiency Fund for residential buildings was established. The high-level EU-IFIs energy efficiency initiative was extended to Armenia in March 2019.

# EU Regional Support to Energy

## **EU4Energy**

(EUR 20 million; 2016-2020)

6 EaP + CA countries

3 implementing partners: IEA, EnCS & ECS

# Regional infrastructure project

Southern Gas Corridor (Project of Common Interest PCI)

# **TAIEX & Twinning**

#### Examples:

-Twinning project on Strengthening capacity of the State Agency on Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving of Ukraine (SAEE) (UA; 2018-2020)

-TAIEX Workshop on Liberalisation of the Electricity Market and its Regulation (AM; 2018)

# EU Regional Support to Energy Efficiency

## **Covenant of Mayors**

400 signatories
33 demonstration projects
€10m technical support to local authorities

# Municipal Project Support Facility (MPSF)

TA for municipal project development and implementation

€12.3m for 18 projects

#### E5P Fund

Municipal EE and environment investments

€89m for 31 projects

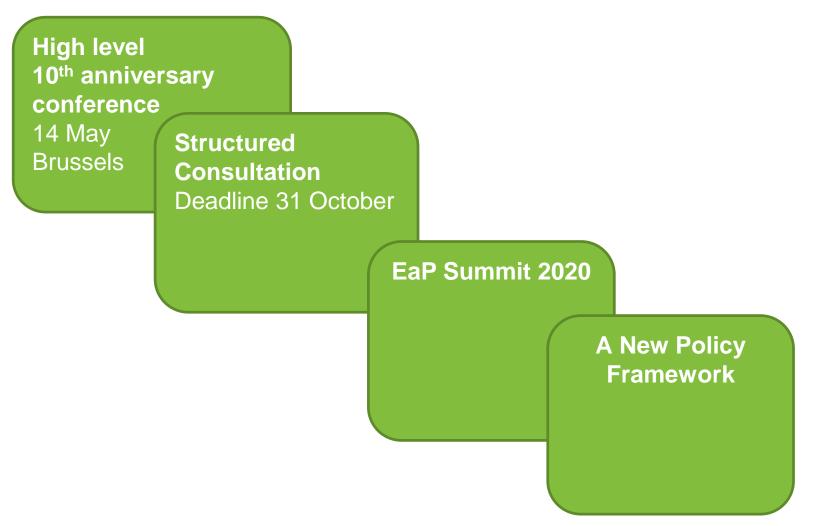
### **Green for Growth Fund**

EU-backed EE investments to SMEs and households

€23m for EU C shares & technical assistance to LFIs



# Future of the Eastern Partnership The post 2020 policy framework



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