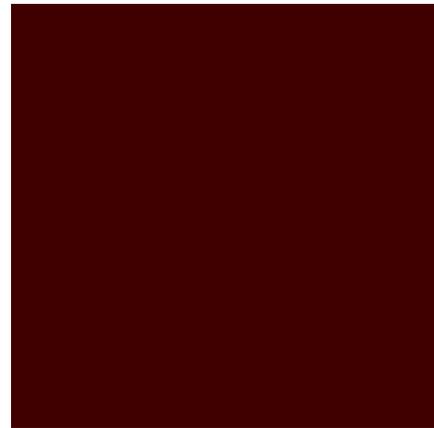
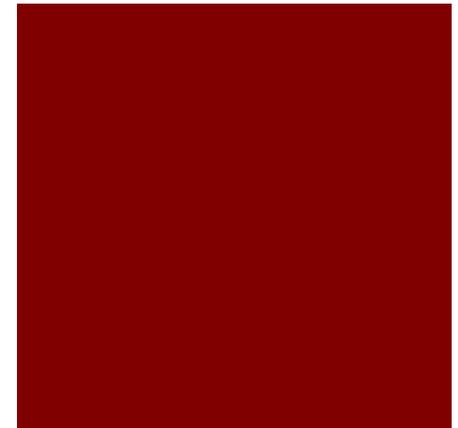




# Update on the High Quality Studies to support the Activities under the Eastern Partnership (HiQSTEP),



High Quality Studies to Support Activities under the EaP  
15th Meeting of the Eastern Partnership, Brussels, December 20, 2016



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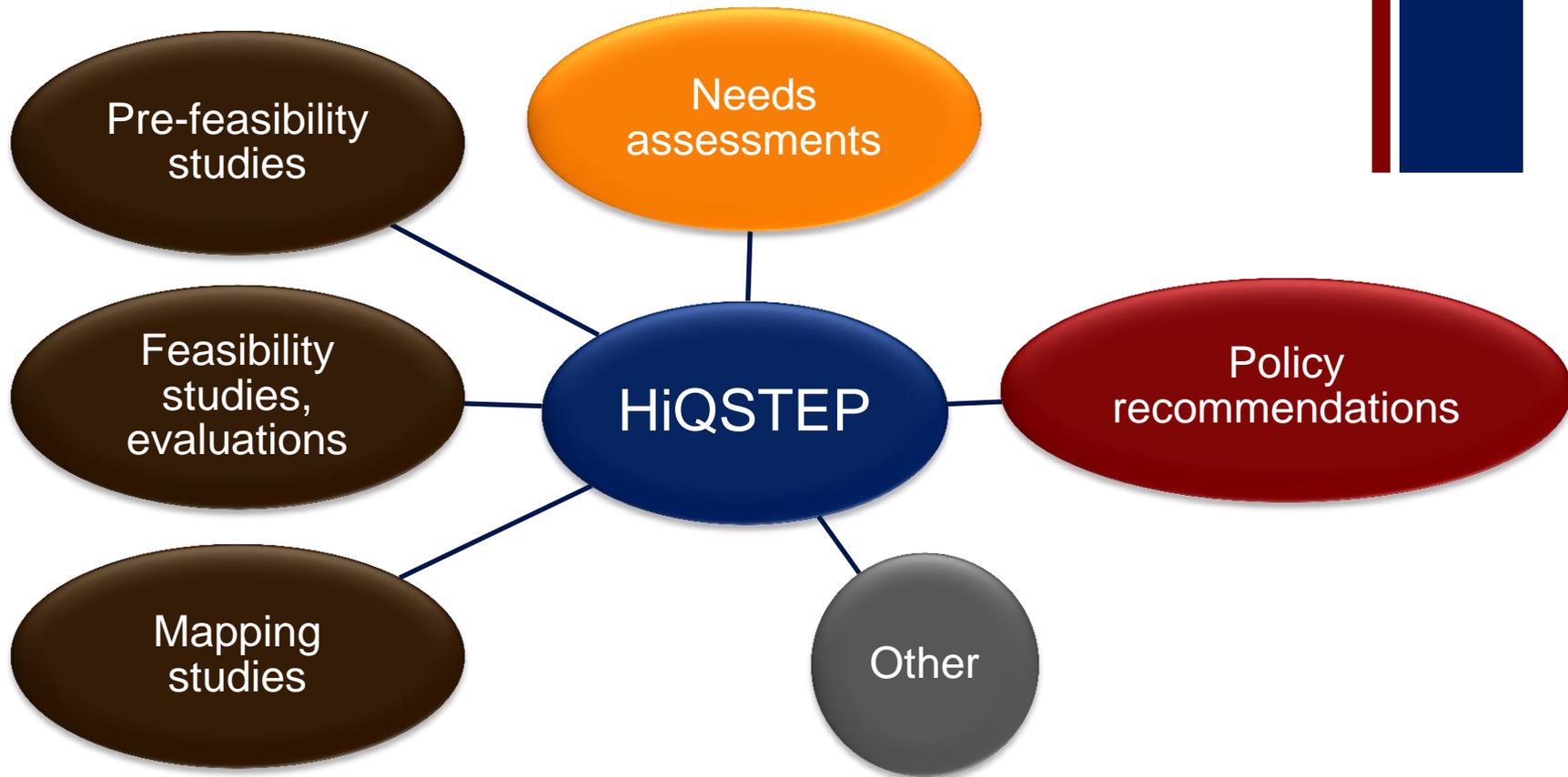
# HiQSTEP

High Quality Studies for the Eastern Partnership



An EU-funded Project

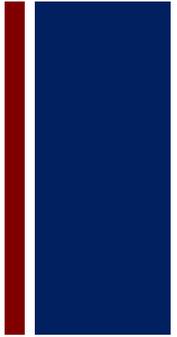
# + Project Objective



- ❑ The objective of the Project is to provide **short-term expertise** which can be mobilised at short notice in order to carry out different types of studies
- ❑ The Project started on 13 January **2014**. It runs for 4 years (January **2018**).
- ❑ The **Budget is 5M EUR** and it is funded by the EU (DG NEAR)



# HiQSTEP studies under Platform 3



- In the December 2015 meeting of Platform 3, two studies were approved.
  1. Effect of the placement of solar panels on buildings to increase energy security and energy efficiency and develop clean energy.
  2. Analysis of licensing and fiscal frameworks for concession agreements
  
- In the June 2016 meeting of Platform 3, two more studies were approved
  3. Energy efficiency in industrial sectors in Georgia and Azerbaijan
  4. An inventory of EU and EU Member State cooperation activities at bilateral and regional level with Eastern partner countries

*in short*

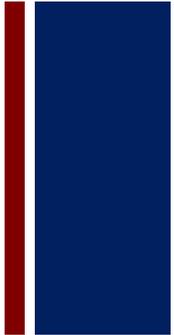
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# + Progress in HiQSTEP studies under Platform 3



Studies	ToR	Experts	Kick-Off	Progress	End Date
SOLAR PVs	✓	✓	✓ (20/9)		June 2017
CONCESSIONS	✓	✓	✓ (8/11)		June 2017
EE in INDUSTRY	✓	In progress			+6 months from kick-off
COOP INVENTORY	In progress				

# + HiQSTEP in the context of the platform's Work Programme

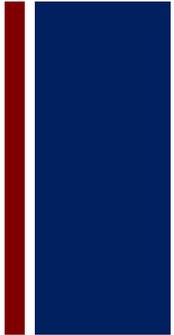


## Activities in the 2014-2017 Work Programme of Platform 3



- The implementers of activities under the Platform's WP can benefit from services offered by the HiQSTEP.
- There are synergies between HiQSTEP and EU4Energy. HiQSTEP can contribute to/support activities under EU4Energy

# + Some ideas



	<b>Title</b>	<b>Relevant activity in the context of the 2014-2017 WP</b>	<b>Regional dimension</b>	<b>EU4Energy relevance</b>
<b>1</b>	Transparency in the use of infrastructure : development of transparency templates	Approximation of the regulatory framework.	✓	Components 2/3
<b>2</b>	Development of a methodology for the prioritization of the identification of interconnectivity projects	Development of electricity, gas and oil interconnections and diversification of supply.	✓	Components 2/3



# Thank you

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