

EU4ENERGY INCEPTION PHASE ARMENIA, AZERBAIJAN, BELARUS

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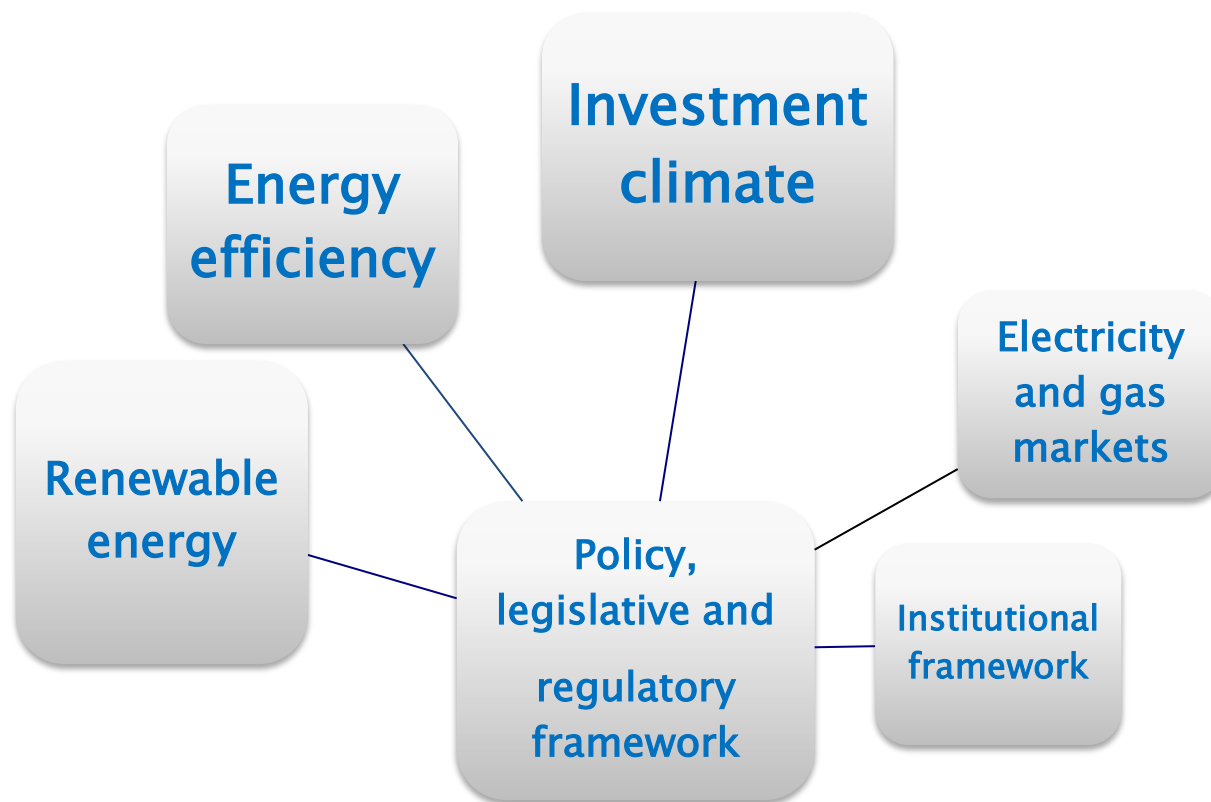
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Baseline assessment



What are the challenges

Electricity and gas markets

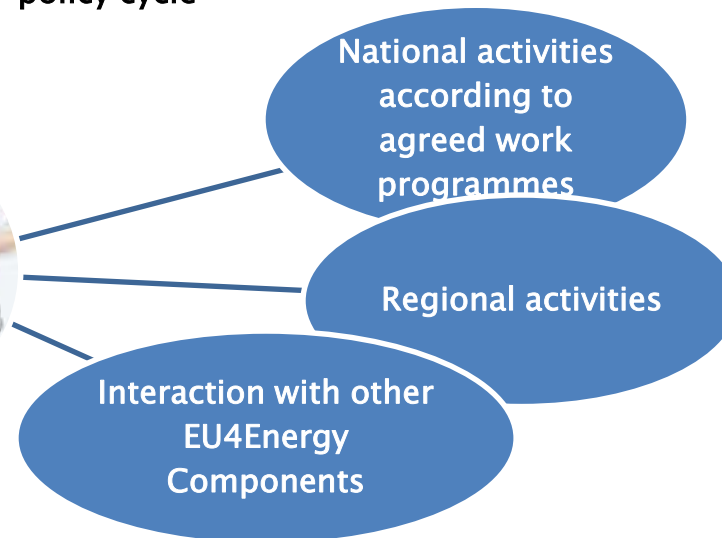
- Energy sector reform is still ongoing or just to be started
- Energy regulatory authority
- Tariffs and price setting
- Need to scale up investments
 - Modernization of existing infrastructure
 - Regional integration

What are the challenges

Energy efficiency and renewable energy

- National policy goals and objectives do not reflect sufficiently the potentials for energy efficiency and renewable energy
- Legal framework is underdeveloped
- Lack of/Under resourced national institutions
- Availability of specific regulations – buildings, district heating, energy related products, lighting, transport
- Local authorities self-governance
- Availability of financing – financial mechanisms and incentives
- Monitoring and review of implementation

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Priority areas

	Energy Efficiency		Electricity market		Gas market		Renewable energy	
Armenia	✓	✓✓	✓		✓		✓	✓✓
Azerbaijan	✓	✓✓	✓	✓✓	✓	✓	✓	
Belarus	✓	✓✓	✓	✓✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Legend:

- ✓ Concrete policy recommendations made to partner country
- ✓ Area is included in Multi annual work programme based on specific country request
- ✓ Activities planned for 2017

First year work programme – Armenia

Complement and strengthen the implementation of existing legislation and regulations for energy efficiency in buildings and energy related products in line with best EU practice

- Provide guidelines and a road map for setting minimum energy performance requirements for buildings
- Accelerate the process of development of minimum energy performance standards and labeling requirements for priority groups of energy related products

Enhance the investment climate by identifying the existing legal and regulatory risks

- Provide set of indicators assessing legal and regulatory risks



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First year work programme – Azerbaijan

Support the elaboration of
legislation on energy efficiency in
line with best EU practice

- Draft Law on Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving

Provide guidance to the process
of Long term energy strategy
development (in close
coordination with Component 2)

- Initiate discussion on Long term energy strategy goals in relation with priorities set in the Strategic roadmaps for the national economy and the main economic sectors

Assistance to Electricity sector
market reform

- Independent energy regulator – assessment of needs and legal requirements in line with draft Electricity Market law (USAID TA)



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First year work programme – Belarus

Scaling up investments in energy efficiency

- Analyse main drivers to demand and supply of energy efficiency investments
- Provide guidelines to necessary legislative and regulatory changes to create enabling investment frameworks

Support to the electricity market reform

- Support to aligning the draft electricity market law to best EU practice

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Regional activities

- Regional meetings and workshops following the needs of the work programme
- Initiate discussion on identification of key energy infrastructure projects

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President of the Slovak Republic Mr Andrej Kiska receives Secretary General Dr Rusnák in Bratislava

On Tuesday 6 December 2016, the **President of the Slovak Republic**, H.E. Mr Andrej Kiska received the **Energy Charter Secretary General, Dr Rusnák**, at the Presidential Palace in Bratislava. The Secretary General briefed the President on the achievements of the **International Energy Charter** in 2016 and outlined to him the main objectives for the coming years. The Secretary General also met with Mr Štefan Rozkopf, the Head of the Office of the President of the Slovak Republic.

The 27th Energy Charter Conference in Tokyo marks the end of successful 2016 Japanese Chairmanship

The **Energy Charter Conference** continued its **27th Meeting** on Saturday 26 November in Tokyo under the Chairmanship of **Japan**.

International Energy Charter addressed at XI. ASIER Conference in Argentina

On 23-25 November 2016, the XI. Conference of the **Iberoamerican Association on Regulatory Studies (ASIER)** was held at the Pontifical Catholic University of Argentina, in Buenos Aires. The forum was attended by Argentinian ministers, executive officers, lawyers and experts from Iberoamerica. During this Conference, 120 speakers addressed different topics on economy, infrastructure, energy, utilities and public services in Iberoamerica.

Energy Charter Conference adopts the Tokyo Declaration

At its **27th Meeting** held on 25 November 2016 in Tokyo, the **Energy Charter Conference** adopted the **Tokyo Declaration on the Energy Charter** (in **English** and **Russian**) with attendance of 68 countries and 9 international organisations, including 33 ministerial-level participants.

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

1. Energy Investment Risk Assessment in Asia and Pacific
2. Multilateral Framework Agreement on Transit of Energy Resources
3. Effective Implementation of Investment Mediation
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