REGIONAL ELECTRICITY COOPERATION IN SOUTH CAUCASUS
Tbilisi, Georgia
Holiday Inn (May Square 26)

Day 1 – 30 June 2015
12:00 – 16:00  Site Visit (tbc)
- Departure from Holiday Inn Hotel

Day 2 – 1 July 2015
9:00 – 9:30  Registration
9:30 – 10:00  Opening Session – Setting the scene
  - Welcoming remarks
    Mariam Valishvili, Deputy Minister of Energy, Georgia
    Selim Kuneralp, Deputy Secretary General, Energy Charter Secretariat
  - Introductory remarks – goals and objectives
    Kanat Botbaev, Energy Charter Secretariat
10:00-11:30  Session 1 – Current regional electricity trade and its prospects
Chaired by Steivan Defilla, Director, Energy Charter Secretariat
  – Areg Galstyan, Deputy Minister of Energy and Natural Resources of Armenia
  – Representative of the Ministry of Energy of Azerbaijan (tbc);
  – Mikheil Tavberidze, Advisor to the Ministry of Energy of Georgia;
  – Representative of the Ministry of Energy of Iran (tbc);
  – Discussion.
11:30 – 12:00  Coffee break
12:00 – 14:00  Session 2 – Integrating power markets: Challenges and opportunities
Chaired by Sarin Abado, EU and International Affairs Attaché, E-Control Austria/Council of European Energy Regulators (CEER)
  - Garik Balyan, Deputy Director, CJCS Power System Operator of Armenia;
  - Presentation by Azerenergy JSC (tbc);
  - Presentation by Georgian State Electrosystem;
- Presentation by Georgian Electricity Market Operator (ESCO);
- Presentation by Iran Generation, Transmission and Distribution Management Company (TAVANIR) (tbc);
- Aleksandr Baklakov, Head for Central Asia and Caucasus, Inter RAO UES;
- Hayriye Gürbüz, Chief, Foreign Relations and International Projects Coordination Division, Türkiye Elektrik İletim A.Ş. (TEIAS);
- Discussion.

14:00 – 15:00  Lunch

15:00 – 17:00  Session 3 – Investment environment for electricity infrastructure projects

Chaired by Ilia Eloshvili, Deputy Minister of Energy of Georgia.
- Georgi Kiziria, Senior Project Officer (Infrastructure), ADB
- Stratos Tavoulareas, Senior Energy Advisor, IFC
- David Managadze, Principal Banker, Power &Energy Team in Caucasus, EBRD;
- Kari Punkka, Senior Project Engineer, EIB;
- Rusudan Nonikashvili, Communication and Events Organising Expert, INOGATE Technical Secretariat;
- Şükrü Boğut, Senior Energy Infrastructure Advisor, USAID;
- Discussion.

17:00 – 17:30  Coffee break

17:30 – 18:00  Concluding Session – Paving the way forward

Chaired by Mariam Valishvili, Deputy Minister of Energy of Georgia
- Chair’s statement on behalf of the Ministry of Energy of Georgia;
- Statements on behalf of the States;
- Concluding remarks.

18:00  End of meeting

18:30  Dinner