



**ENERGY CHARTER
SECRETARIAT**



**MINISTRY of
ENERGY of GEORGIA**

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