



**APPROVAL
OF THE NATIONAL ENERGY STATISTICS ACTION PLAN
FOR THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN**

This document pertains to the formal approval and adoption of the herein attached Energy Statistics Action Plan for the Republic of Azerbaijan by the State Statistical Committee of the Azerbaijan Republic.

Within the framework of the INOGATE programme, a new EU funded technical assistance project entitled "*INOGATE Technical Secretariat and integrated programme in support of the Baku Initiative and Eastern Partnership objectives*" (Contract No. 278-827) was launched in 2012. This project includes support in the area of statistical co-operation in the Partner Countries namely: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan. The duration of this new ITS project is from 1st of February 2012 to 31st of January 2015.

The Energy Statistics Action Plan (ESAP) was developed and finalised through the common efforts of the INOGATE Technical Secretariat (ITS) expert team and representatives of the State Statistical Committee of the Azerbaijan Republic (SSC).

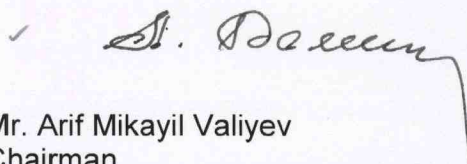
The ESAP includes an assessment of the current legal and institutional framework; identification of gaps and shortages in the present statistics system; description of the needed activities e.g. assistance and resources for the development of the institutional and legal framework, capacity building etc.; and plan for the implementation of certain activities, the most important and urgent of which, will be supported by expert technical assistance provided by the ITS project. The scope of activities and co-operation between the ITS and SSC is described in detail in the ESAP.

With the approval and adoption of this Energy Statistics Action Plan, the SSC accepts the following responsibilities:

- To be responsible in the implementation of activities as defined in Table 5-3 of the Energy Statistics Action Plan for the Azerbaijan Republic;
- To provide human capacities and other resources required in the implementation of activities envisaged in the ESAP in support to the expert technical assistance furnished by the ITS;

- To ensure the availability, co-operation and participation of relevant staff in national and regional ITS activities as specified in the ESAP; and
- To co-ordinate and collaborate with the ITS and other relevant stakeholders in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of ESAP activities with ITS participation.

Henceforth, the State Statistical Committee of the Azerbaijan Republic hereby formally approves and adopts the Energy Statistics Action Plan for the Republic of Azerbaijan through the signature of its authorised official, Mr. Arif Mikayil Valiyev.



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Baku, 13.03.2013

Place and Date

Attachments:

Unofficial Russian Translation of Approval Document
Final Report Energy Statistics Action Plan for the Republic of Azerbaijan – Official English Version
Final Report Energy Statistics Action Plan for the Republic of Azerbaijan – Unofficial Russian Version