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25th – 26th March 2015
Radisson Blu Iveria Hotel, Tbilisi, Georgia



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Day 1

WEDNESDAY 25TH MARCH, 2015

08:30 Registration **Ballroom Lobby - Radisson Blu Iveria Hotel, Tbilisi**

08:30 Welcome Coffee **Ballroom Lobby - Radisson Blu Iveria Hotel, Tbilisi**

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09:15 OFFICIAL WELCOME ADDRESSES:

H.E. Kakha Kaladze, Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Energy of Georgia, Ministry of Energy of Georgia
David Tvalabeishvili, General Director, Georgian Oil and Gas Corporation (GOGC)
Janos Herman, Ambassador of the European Union
Challenges for Georgia and Europe in the new energy context
Slav Slavov, Regional Manager, World Energy Council (WEC)
Energy in Transition: from Perception to Reality

10:00 – 10:30 Networking Coffee Break

10:30 PANEL 1 SOUTHERN GAS CORRIDOR: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AND PROSPECTS

- Regional energy outlook: Trends, market opportunities and outlook to 2025
- Development of transit corridors as a key to global energy security
- European energy security policy and gas transportation infrastructure development under the Projects of Common Interest (PCI) framework
- Perspectives on the Trans-Caspian project
- Implementation of the expansion of the South Caucasus gas pipeline on the Georgian territory

Chairman: **Giorgi Vashakmadze**, Director, Corporate Development, W-Stream Caspian Pipeline Company

Speakers:

Chris Schlueter, General Manager, BP Georgia
BP in Georgia

Leonardo Tartara, Branch Manager, Saipem Netherlands Georgia Branch
Saipem and SCPx in Georgia

Gulmira Rzayeva, Senior Research Fellow, Center for Strategic Studies of Azerbaijan
The Outlook for Azerbaijani Gas Supplies to Europe

Giorgi Vashakmadze, Director, Corporate Development, W-Stream Caspian Pipeline Company
The Trans-Caspian gas pipeline – now scheduled for 2019

Alexander Ershov, Editor-in-Charge, CIS Commodities Thomson Reuters
Challenges and export environment for Caspian gas supplies to Europe

13:00 – 14:30 Networking Lunch



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14:30 PANEL 2 ONSHORE AND OFFSHORE EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION: UNLOCKING THE POTENTIAL

- Georgia's potential as a hydrocarbon producer: Resource assessment
- Result of a geophysical survey on the Black Sea shelf and what potential partnerships are on the horizon?
- Geophysical innovations for Black Sea data collection, processing and interpretation
- Safe technologies for drilling in the deep water of the Black Sea
- How does Georgia's legal and regulatory framework promote investment in its upstream petroleum sector?

Chairman: **Cliff Isaak**, Chief Administration Officer, CanArgo Georgia

Speakers:

Giorgi Tatishvili, Head of the State Agency of Oil and Gas, Ministry of Energy of Georgia

David Oniani, Advisor, Strategic Planning, Georgian Oil and Gas Corporation (GOGC)

GOGC: Georgia's Oil and Gas Sector at a glance

FOLLOWED BY AN INTERACTIVE PANEL DISCUSSION

Moderated by **Cliff Isaak**, Chief Administration Officer, CanArgo Georgia

SPECIAL FOCUS: Towards Sustainable Waste Management in Georgia

Nana Janashia, Executive Director, CENN - Caucasus Environmental NGO Network

16:30 Chairman's Closing Remarks

16:30 End of Conference Day 1

16:30 Closing Coffee Break

Day 2

THURSDAY 26TH MARCH, 2015

08:30 Registration Ballroom Lobby - Radisson Blu Iveria Hotel, Tbilisi

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08:30 – 09:00 Welcome Coffee Ballroom Lobby - Radisson Blu Iveria Hotel, Tbilisi

09:00 PANEL 3 TOWARD A REGIONAL MARKET: CHALLENGES FOR GEORGIA'S ENERGY POLICY

- Structure of the domestic power market, main priorities and annual expected balance of electric energy (power)
- Georgia's energy infrastructure network and interconnections
- Rules and procedures required to harmonise cross-border electricity trade activities with Turkey
- Improving energy efficiency and developing the use of renewable energy sources in Georgia
- Challenges to large renewable energy and hydro power projects in Georgia

SPECIAL FOCUS: Turkish power system and progress in harmonising Turkish rules and procedures in-line with ENTSO-E

Mehmet Kara, Manager, TEIAS Turkish Electricity Transmission Corporation

Pascal Bertolini, Team Leader, RTE International

Chairman: **Murman Margvelashvili**, Director for Energy Studies, World Experience for Georgia

Speakers:

Eszter Süle, Gas Department/Regulatory Expert, E-Control Austria

Review of the tariff methodology in-line with European Union practices within an EU funded twinning project



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Murman Margvelashvili, Director, Associate Professor, WEG, Ilia State University
Reforms towards EU approximation
Wolfgang Pospischil, Managing Director, Pöyry Management Consulting Austria GmbH
Prices, Transparency and Market Design
Liana Jervalidze, Analyst, Senior Research Fellow, GFSIS, University of Georgia
South Caucasus Energy Corridor, Prospects in Low Price Conditions and Changing Geopolitical Environment

11:00 – 11:30 Networking Coffee Break

**11:30 PANEL 4 LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT FOR FUTURE INVESTMENT
IN THE ENERGY SECTOR**

- Towards the integration of Georgia's energy market with that of the European Union, and strengthening the country's energy security and regulatory convergence through the implementation of relevant EU legislation applicable to Georgia
- Are the changes in the market rules consistent with GEMM 2015?
- Review of tariff methodologies in-line with EU practices
- Development of the required regulations for retail market liberalisation
- Further elaboration of the existing regulatory-legal base to promote investments in RES-E development
- Investment opportunities in Georgia's energy sector

Chairman: **Giorgi Batlidze**, Partner, BLC Law Office

Speakers:

Şükrü Boğut, Senior Energy Infrastructure Advisor, USAID
Update on Realization of GEMM 2015 and Electricity Trading Mechanism
Zviad Gachechiladze, Deputy Director of Electricity Department, Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission (GNERC)
Development of regulatory framework in Georgia
Giorgi Batlidze, Partner, BLC Law Office
New Regulations under Transmission Grid Rules
Giorgi Bezhuashvili, Director/CEO, JSC Georgian Energy Development Fund
Irakli Menabde, Managing Director, Georgian Co-Investment Fund
GCF and Georgian Hydro Outlook
Mikheil Nibladze – Managing Director, Schulze Global Investments SGI LLC, Commercial Perspective on Georgia's Hydropower Sector

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14:30 End of Conference

14:30 Closing Coffee Break

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