

PRESS RELEASE

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On 22nd October 2013, in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, the EU funded INOGATE project in cooperation with the Ministry of Energy and Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic will implement a **Local Information Event devoted to the 50th Anniversary of the Kyrgyz Scientific Technical Centre of the Ministry of Energy and Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic (KSTC “ENERGIA”): “Path to sustainable economic development through providing secure, clean, sustainable energy”**.

The event aims to communicate the INOGATE work programme for 2013-2014, in order to encourage the involvement of Kyrgyz institutions in the co-operation with the EU; to provide information on all ongoing and upcoming INOGATE technical assistance projects relevant to Kyrgyzstan; to increase the understanding and co-ownership of the INOGATE Programme encouraging commitment for further cooperation; to discuss the progress made towards the Energy Road Map objectives and facilitate a better understanding of the support Kyrgyzstan requires to achieving these objectives.

The INOGATE Technical Secretariat identified the following targeted groups and encouraged their participation:

- Government representatives in charge of energy-related matters
- Representatives of the European Union Delegation
- Representatives of Parliament
- Representatives of National Coordinating Unit
- Permanent INOGATE representative of energy regulatory authorities
- Representatives of the energy industry
- Representatives of International Financial Institutions, local banks and financial institutions
- Energy-related NGOs, energy efficiency centers, ESCOs and environmental agencies
- Other energy institutions and academia.

Following the event, on 23rd October, 2013 technical meetings will be held with participation of the key stakeholders of the energy sector of Kyrgyzstan and EU experts. The main topics of discussions will include:

- Development of infrastructure, normative and legal basis of fuel and energy complex;
- International cooperation in the energy sector;
- Integration and development of energy markets;
- Innovative technologies of increasing security and effectiveness of production, distribution and consumption of energy;
- Small hydro power plants and alternative sources of energy.

If you wish to participate in the event, please contact the INOGATE Technical Secretariat at:

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INOGATE is an EU-funded programme promoting international energy co-operation between the European Union and the Partner Countries of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan. It works to support the EU policy frameworks of the Baku Initiative, the Eastern Partnership – Energy Security Platform, the Energy Community and the Central Asia Development Cooperation.

INOGATE works in four key areas: convergence of energy markets on the basis of the EU principles, enhancing energy security, supporting sustainable energy development, and attracting investment towards energy projects of common and regional interest. INOGATE is one of the longest running EU programmes since 1996.

More information about the Event is [here](#)