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Successful INOGATE Country Coordinators and Working Groups Meeting in Brussels, May 18-19



A successful meeting of the INOGATE Country Coordinators and Working Groups was held in Brussels on 18-19 May 2010. 80 participants attended the meeting including Country Coordinators and Working Group members from INOGATE Partner Countries, representatives of the European Commission (including Mr. Jean-Louis Ville, Head of Unit, DG EuropeAid and

Ms. Paula Abreu Marques, Head of Unit, International Relations and Enlargement), representatives of IFIs and Team Leaders of INOGATE projects. Amongst the principal issues covered were: monitoring the [Astana Energy Road Map](#), with presentations from INOGATE partner countries; the INOGATE Work Programme 2010-2011; and discussions on INOGATE Projects on their progress and next steps. The meeting was also addressed by Mr. Slavtcho Neykov, Director of the [Energy Community Secretariat](#), who encouraged further cooperation between INOGATE and the Energy Community. Presentations given at the meeting can be viewed and downloaded [here](#) from the INOGATE web portal.

Moldovan Sustainable Energy Financing Facility Commences



The [Moldovan Sustainable Energy Financing Facility \(MoSEFF\)](#), an EBRD initiative supported by technical assistance under INOGATE, was successfully launched in Chisinau on 11th February in the presence of 140 representatives of the Moldovan business, financial and science communities. To support sustainable energy initiatives, the EBRD has made €20m. available to local banks via MoSEFF. Details of eligibility, case studies, and further information are available on the [MoSEFF website](#).

INOGATE Information Event in Tajikistan, April 13

The Ministry of Industry and Energy of Tajikistan, together with INOGATE, organized an INOGATE information event in Dushanbe at which a wide range of local stakeholders were addressed by Mr. Pulod Muhidinnov, First Deputy Minister for Industry and Energy (l. in picture), and Mr. Eduard Auer, Head of the European Union Delegation to Tajikistan (r. in picture). Presentations were made by the [SEMISE](#) project and by the [INOGATE Technical Secretariat](#). An important element of the Event was the discussion session following the presentations, which enabled participants to ask for details about INOGATE activities and to contribute ideas for further developments. The event was covered by Tajikistan press and radio.



Final Conference of 'Safety and Security of Main Gas Transit Infrastructure' Project, Kiev, April 28

The outcome of the INOGATE '[Safety and Security of Main Gas Transit Infrastructure](#)' project was presented to 20 representatives from the main gas companies of the project's counterpart countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine) at its final conference in Kiev on April 28. The project conducted review and analysis of gas losses on main gas transit lines in the region. It introduced the best EU practice in gas losses management to the main gas transit companies. It undertook specific interventions on a number of gas transit infrastructures in the region. It assessed the different pipeline safety and security systems which gas transit companies could use. It finally supported the delivery of a pilot Pipeline Integrity Management System (PIMS) in Ukraine, on a sample of its main gas pipeline. Such system offers computerized processing of construction, operation and maintenance data for pipelines, enables optimization of the repair and maintenance functions, extends the lifetime of pipelines and offers significant cost savings and the targeting of high-risk sectors. A [presentation of the project's achievements](#) can be downloaded from the INOGATE web portal

Forthcoming INOGATE events:

- [EPMOGI Seminar on Environmental Protection and EU Energy Legislation, Ashgabat 2 June](#)
- [Harmonisation of Gas and Oil Technical Standards and Practices in Eastern Europe and Caucasus – Seminar: Inter-regional training seminar on Gas and Oil Metrology, Tbilisi, Georgia, 8-10 June](#)
- [Capacity-building for Energy Regulators: Introduction to the Regulation of Electricity Markets, Istanbul 14-16 June](#)
- [SEMISE First Training Course on Energy Market Convergence, Baku 28 June-1 July.](#)
- [Harmonisation of Electricity Standards' - Seminar: International and European Methodologies for Harmonisation of Low and High Voltage Standards - Yerevan 23-25 June and Tashkent 28 –30 June.](#)

NB: A new INOGATE project, [Capacity building for sustainable energy regulation in Eastern Europe and Central Asia](#), was launched in March 2010.

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