

## Minutes of the EU4Energy Action Management Group Meeting

10/12/2019

Chaired by [REDACTED] (NEAR), the EU4Energy Action Management Group Meeting brought all the implementing partners of EU4Energy.

From the IEA: [REDACTED] (Head of Division [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
 from the EnCS: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] from the ECS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and from Ecorys: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
 From the EU side, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (NEAR), [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (NEAR), [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (NEAR) [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] (ENER).

The focus of the meeting was a) to take stock of progress achieved under the project (at its 4th year) and b) to have an overview of the next activities. (See attached slideshows for possible further reading.)

In the introduction, [REDACTED] underlined amongst several issues the need for implementing partners to cooperate closely with the EUDs on the ground.

We had rich and fruitful discussions on progress achieved all across the EU4Energy components.

### **EU4Energy Data & Policy (International Energy Agency):**

At present, the project is in the middle of its fourth year. The first three years saw a strong inception phase, followed by two years of events and capacity building designed to inform their current “deliverables phase”. The IEA held 13 policy fora, covering 14 topics, three training weeks, and had strong levels of participation at each event, averaging about 80 participants per fora, with strong participation from the statisticians. The IEA also noted that their statistics capacity building has an impact, with significant improvement in terms of harmonization with international standards, particularly in the 6 EaP countries. Energy Efficiency indicators work has also seen improvement, with countries making marked progress in using the IEA template and expanding available sector-level data sets. The fourth year marked a transition to the two main deliverables: country roadmaps and in-depth reviews (IDRs), both of which are directly informed by the three previous years of inception missions, policy fora, and statistics capacity building.

As year four has gotten underway, the IEA held their first IDR mission to Georgia in October. It went very well and the IEA [REDACTED]  
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 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. Work on the rest of the roadmaps will continue through 2020-2021. Meanwhile, data continues to play a significant role in both deliverables, and will continue to do through the end of the Programme. [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. This has also proven to be a strong peer-learning method – something that the focus countries have been asking for. Additionally, the data component aims to maximise the sustainability of the Progress achieved by the countries via an additional energy statistics training to strengthen the capacity of the junior staff.

The ongoing discussions with the EU4Energy Statistics Network help identifying the main work areas still requiring support in the future. In the future, the countries will need a strong focus on honing energy efficiency indicators, in addition to continuing to improve evidence-based energy policymaking, further strengthening ties between statisticians and policymakers.

**EU4Energy Governance project in Armenia, Azerbaijan and Belarus (Energy Charter Secretariat):**

Armenia

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Azerbaijan

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Belarus

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**EU4Energy Governance project in Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine (Energy Community Secretariat):**

For Georgia [redacted]  
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For Moldova [redacted]  
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For Ukraine [redacted]  
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Within implementation of the project, EnCS also organised a number of High Level Policy Talks and capacity building activities.

Next major activities :

Ukraine:

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[redacted]  
[redacted];

Georgia:

- [redacted]  
[redacted]

Moldova:

- [redacted]  
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Possible ideas for the future:

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Georgia and Moldova [redacted]  
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## **EU4Energy Communication project (Ecorys):**

### **Activities (April to November 2019)**

- **EU Sustainable Energy Awards** for Eastern Partnership (EUSEW 2019): A new award category was created and opened to the six Eastern partner countries;
- **EUSEW photo contest** - "The future of energy": 124 eligible photographs received, and 30 best photos selected for public vote;
- **Press tour**: A regional press tour to Ukraine for 11 journalists from the region from 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> June;
- **Energy efficiency stand**: Built and managed EE stand and piloted four events: Europe Days in Chisinau and Cahul in May, EUSEW 2019 launch in Mykolaiv and Energy Day in Sumy in June;
- **Editorial production**: News alerts (155), Feature stories (9), photo albums (13), and animated photo stories (5), radio broadcasts (5), factsheets (21);
- **Social media challenges**. Babushka energy efficiency competition from 9th to 24th September garnering 625 entries to the competition were received from 431 individuals;
- **Press breakfast**: Yerevan: with Energy Charter on 17th October;

### **Activities (2020)**

- **Editorial content**: news alerts, social media posts, feature stories, photo albums, radio broadcasts (Babushka in the studio);
- **Press breakfasts** with implementing partners;
- Stand-alone energy efficiency game;
- Babushka **social media challenge** (April 2020), and second round of **sustainable energy award** 2020 (June);
- **EaP treasure hunt**;

### **Areas of cooperation within EU4Energy**

- **Repackaging** news and social media content;
- **Reposting** of events, publications, etc.;
- **Press breakfasts**;
- **Feature stories**.

ANNEXES

**EU4Energy Data (International Energy Agency):**

**Table 1. National energy balance format in relation to European & International Standards**

<b>A) By country</b>					
Status	Country	2012 baseline (INOGATE) <sup>1</sup>	Current status (EU4ENERGY) <sup>2</sup>		
EaP	Armenia				
EaP	Azerbaijan				
EaP	Belarus				
EaP	Georgia				
CA	Kazakhstan				
CA	Kyrgyzstan				
EaP	Moldova				
CA	Tajikistan				
CA	Turkmenistan				
EaP	Ukraine				
CA	Uzbekistan				
<b>B) By country groups <sup>3</sup></b>					
<b>Eastern Partnership (EaP)</b>					
	Not harmonised				
	Partly harmonised				
	Harmonised				
<b>Central Asia (CA)</b>					
	Not harmonised				
	Partly harmonised				
	Harmonised				
<b>EU4Energy countries</b>					
	Not harmonised				
	Partly harmonised				
	Harmonised				

**Notes:**

1) Based on INOGATE-project documents

2) Based on the latest annual EU4Energy data assessment (also included in the Progress report of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year)

3) n=10, i.e. Turkmenistan excluded from the evaluation as information not available



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**Kyrgyzstan**

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**Moldova**

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**Tajikistan**

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**Turkmenistan**

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**Ukraine**

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**Uzbekistan**

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