EU4Energy Governance: High-level Policy Talks on the Electricity Market of Georgia

Venue: Radisson Blu Iveria Hotel, Rose Revolution Square 1, 0108 Tbilisi
Date: 9 - 10 November 2017

DAY 1, 9 November 2017

Registration and welcoming coffee 09:00 – 09:30

Opening

Welcome remarks:
Ministry of Energy of Georgia
Energy Community Secretariat
EU Delegation to Georgia
09:30 – 10:00
Mr. Ilia Eloshvili
Minister of Energy of Georgia
Mr. Janez Kopac
Director, Energy Community Secretariat
Amb. Janos Herman
Ambassador of the European Union to Georgia

Session 1: Dawn of the energy reforms in Georgia – Third Energy Package

Challenges and perspectives of the energy sector in Georgia
10:00 – 10:40
Mr. Giorgi Chikovani
Deputy Minister of Energy
Mr. Revaz Arveladze
Deputy Chair of the Sector Economy and Economic Policy Committee, Parliament of Georgia
Mr. Janez Kopac
Director, Energy Community Secretariat
Ms. Irina Milorava
GNERC Chairman

Panel discussion 10:40 – 11:20

Press Briefing 11:20 – 11:30

Break for the parallel meeting organised by WEG 11:30 – 13:00
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DAY 2, 10 November 2017

Registration and welcoming coffee 09:30 – 10:00

Session 1: Retail supply of electricity following the unbundling

Core design of the electricity retail market and its practical implications to Georgian reality 10:00 – 10:45
- Organisation of the retail supply of electricity
- Market entrance & supplier switching right
- Supplier & customer relations
- Universal supply & supply of last resort
- Necessity of transitory measures for Georgia

Mr. Andrius Simkus, Expert, Energy Community Secretariat

Panel discussion 10.45 – 11.45
Ministry of Energy, GNERC, Energo-Pro Georgia, Telasi

11:45 – 12:00 Coffee Break

Session 2: Market relations and management of electricity retail prices

Relations in regulated and non-regulated market segments and their impacts on retail prices 12:00 – 12:30
- Regulated & non-regulated contractual relations
- Market-based principles for retail price management
- Power exchange & OTC trading
- Monitoring of electricity market performance

Ms. Katerina Karali, Expert, Energy Community Secretariat

Panel discussion 12.30 – 13.30
Ministry of Energy, GNERC, ESCO, Generators

13:30 Networking Lunch

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