STATUS OF TRANSPOSITION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY LEGISLATION

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TRANPOSITION OF THE EED IN THE NEW DRAFT LAW ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY

- For the purposes of transposition of the Energy Efficiency Directive, the Ministry used technical assistance from the following donors: UNIDO-GEF, REC for the transposition of Articles 7, 8 and 16, IME - Swiss Cooperation Agency for Article 18 and USAID - for transposition from other members and the adoption of by-laws and the EBRD - on the draft text of the Law on Energy Efficiency, as well as the rationale and comparative examples with the countries of the region in relation to public policy in relation to Article 7 of the Energy Efficiency Directive, Impact Assessment Regulation prepared by Economic Consulting Associates (consultant).

- The last, third draft version of the new Law on EE was attached to the ENER (National Regulatory Portal) on December 7, 2018 and was additionally sent for opinion of the parties concerned.

- Public debate on the draft text of the law conducted on 20th February 2019

- EE Law adoption in 2nd quarter of the 2019.
The new EE Law stipulates the obligation to adopt regulations that will determine the energy saving targets for 2020 and by 2030, and accordingly three-year Action Plans for the implementation of the EE measures will be prepared.


In order to ensure efficient monitoring and verification of the implementation of the EE measures, it is envisaged that the Energy Agency is to manage, maintain and upgrade the Monitoring and Verification Platform (MVP) available online.

The Minister should adopt Rulebook on the MVP tool that will prescribe the procedures and technical parameters for establishing, as well as the rules for using and updating. Rulebook to be adopted no later than 6 months after the entry into force of the Law on Energy Efficiency.
Several meetings were held with the EBRD Consultant, on which was discussed the selection of measures to be decided in order to achieve the target of Article 7 of the Energy Efficiency Directive, which represents energy savings of 0.7% of the total final energy consumption. At the last meeting, it was decided that the description and the manner of implementing the measures that will be selected for achieving the target of Article 7 of the Directive should be detailed in the bylaws (regulation) to be adopted no later than 6 months after the entry into force of the Law on Energy Efficiency.
The Law introduces obligation to reconstruct at least 1% of the total area of the buildings (with useful floor area of at least 250 m²) annually, which are used and owned by the central government bodies (Article 5 of the DEE). In order to enable the fulfillment of this obligation, the Ministry, in cooperation with the General Affairs and Common Affairs Office, should prepare and publish list (inventory) of the buildings used by the state level authorities (TA CONNECTA Feb.2020).
In order to encourage the implementation of the measures envisaged in the EE Action Plans, it is encouraged creation of ESCO companies that need to fund the project and guarantee that they will realize the savings by applying the EE measures. Rulebook to be adopted no later than 6 months after the entry into force of the Law on Energy Efficiency (EBRD TA).

For the purpose of achieving the goals and support of the energy efficiency policies prescribed in accordance with the new EE Law, it is envisaged the establishment of Energy Efficiency Fund as independent legal entity. The rules and manner of founding and operating the Fund will be stipulated by separate Law.
The Energy Performance of Buildings Directive is partially transposed in the existing Energy Law, the Rulebook on Energy Performance of Buildings and the Rulebook on Energy Audits. The Ministry of Economy plans to request additional technical assistance through the EBRD for the preparation of the bylaws deriving from the Building Directive, which can be realized after the adoption of the Law on EE by the Government.

In addition the Ministry of Economy is currently undertaking activities for dimensioning technical assistance from HABITAT and GIZ for the preparation of the Building Typology with another donor (TA needed).
EED – Industry/Labelling

- UNIDO TA for the drafting of the bylaws in the section on energy audits in the industry,
- and USAID TA for the drafting of the bylaws in the part for Labelling the Energy and Other Resources Consumption of Products.
Thank you for your attention!

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