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# **USAID Support for Strategic Energy Planning and Low Emissions Strategies**

Presentation to Energy Community PHLG

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## Background and Purpose

- Strategic Energy Planning Project (under Synenergy)
- Copenhagen and Cancun Emphasis on Low Emissions Strategies and MRV – all Energy Community countries (except Kosovo) are parties to UNFCCC
- USG Enhancing Capacity for Low Emissions Development Strategies (EC-LEDS) Initiative to work with Key Countries and Regions
- Energy Community region is priority for USG
- Regional Prospectus and EC-LEDS Fact Sheet Provided
- USAID/IRG have provided information to country teams on updating national energy planning models/analysis and adding transportation sector



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## Current Status and Potential Approach

- Build on Synenergy Strategic Planning modeling work by national teams as well as Energy Community Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Action Plans
- Provide Input into and Support for new Energy Community Regional Energy Strategy Task Force
- Conduct Visits and Workshops with Interested Contracting Parties on EC-LEDS (Visits to Albania and Macedonia have been proposed to Ministries)
- Develop Coordinated Approach with Interested Donors
- Hold Regional Workshop in Early 2012 to consider regional approach



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## **Request from Contracting Parties**

- Review Prospectus and discuss with Relevant Ministries (e.g., Economy, Environment, Development, etc.) in your Government
- Provide written note to USAID with copy to Energy Community Secretariat expressing interest in discussing participation in the EC-LEDS Activity
- Provide comments to USAID and IRG team on draft Energy Policy Briefs from Synenergy Strategic Planning
- Indicate if interested in National Workshops to review results of Energy Policy Briefs from the Strategic Planning Work
- Also, provide information on any Inter-Ministerial Working Groups on Climate Change and Emissions Issues