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The first Energy Efficiency Project is completed in Kasakgh Community, Kotayk Region 28 Dec

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Russian Government Approves Price of Gas for Armenia in 2018 8 Jan

Iranian official: Agreement with Armenia needed to send gas to Georgia 6 Jan

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Does Armenia give up on its nuclear power plant? 28 Dec

Azerbaijan

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Azerbaijani, Bulgarian presidents talk gas supplies, direct flights 9 Jan

US energy envoy to visit Azerbaijan 9 Jan

Transit of energy resources to step up Kazakhstan-Azerbaijan cooperation 2 Jan

Azerbaijani-based company Global Energy Solutions expands its business to Kazakhstan 28 Dec

TANAP: New energy bridge between Europe and Middle East? 27 Dec

Ilham Shaban: 2017 marked by surge of interest in Azerbaijan's energy sector 27 Dec

Ilham Aliyev approves 2018 budget of Azerbaijani State Oil Fund 29 Dec

Electricity

Electricity generation down in Azerbaijan 5 Jan

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Azerbaijan fulfills commitments under OPEC+ deal 9 Jan

Azerbaijan accounts for over 85% of Ukraine's oil imports 9 Jan

Georgia Completely Refuses Russian Gas in 2018 and Increases Imports from Azerbaijan 5 Jan

OPEC agreement may not extend to oil exports 4 Jan

500 million tons of oil to be extracted from ACG by 2050 4 Jan

Azerbaijan to meet almost 100 percent of Georgia's natural gas demand 3 Jan

TANAP to contribute to bringing Azerbaijan's gas resources to Europe – general manager 1 Jan

SOCAR may open network of filling stations in Belarus 29 Dec

Installation of above-ground pipes at Star refinery 98% complete 28 Dec

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Polotsk State University switching to alternative energy sources 9 Jan

Belarusian State University is switching to alternative energy sources 9 Jan (in Russian)

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Work to create common energy markets in Eurasian Economic Union to continue in 2018 3 Jan

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Changes in the payment for electricity terms for industrial and equivalent consumers 10 Jan

Oil & Gas

Belarus raises export duties on oil, petroleum products on 1 January 3 Jan

Two oil deposits discovered in Belarus 28 Dec

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Contract on Russian fuel for Belarusian nuclear power plant signed 28 Dec

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EBRD finances modernisation of Enguri power plant 10 Jan

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ECRB elects new President and sets priorities for 2018 9 Jan

Energy tariffs

Georgia to See Increased Electricity Tariffs From 2018 28 Dec

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Electricity Market Watch 8 Jan

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Energy market liberalization scheme is detailed in Association Agreement, expert 5 Jan

The purchase of petroleum products for resale will be allowed for all market participants of Moldova 4 Jan

Almost 28 thousand Capital residents benefit of compensations for heat 2 Jan

How the Government and ANRE Cheated the IMF and the Energy Community 2 Jan

Import of energy resources to Moldova increased over 10 months of 2017 by 25.4% - to \$603.4 million 28 Dec

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Moldovan agency for energy regulation decides merging two electricity providing companies resulting into lower tariff 30 Dec

Romanian company EuroTransgaz filed request for participation in privatization of Vestmoldtransgaz 29 Dec

Electricity

Moldelectrica and Ukrenergo agreed on plans to synchronize the energy systems of Moldova and Ukraine with the ENTSO-E (European Network of Transmission System Operators) 3 Jan

Cheaper electricity in north of country 30 Dec

Take caution! Gas Natural Fenosa urges citizens not to buy economizers 29 Dec

Electricity production in Moldova (excluding Transnistria) for 10 months 2017 amounted to 633 million kW, an increase of 0.8%, compared with the same period in 2016 27 Dec

Oil & Gas

Moldovan fuel prices increase following petrol rise at international markets 9 Jan

Romanian Transgaz submits bid to buy Moldovan operator of future Iași-Ungheni-Chișinău gas pipeline 29 Dec

Russian Federation

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Putin introduces exclusive right for Russian vessels to carry oil and gas over NSR 31 Dec

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Russia starts exporting gas to US 9 Jan

Russian Government Approves Price of Gas for Armenia in 2018 8 Jan

Georgia Completely Refuses Russian Gas in 2018 and Increases Imports from Azerbaijan 5 Jan

Gazprom Increased Gas Exports to Non-CIS Countries by 8% in 2017 5 Jan

Russian daily oil output edges up in 2017 to 30-year high 3 Jan

Gazprom gas exports rise to new record 3 Jan

What does 2017 bring for oil market? 31 Dec

Russia to keep its grip on Europe's gas market in 2018 29 Dec

Nuclear Energy

Russian nuclear power generation reached record levels in 2017 10 Jan

Ukraine

Energy efficiency

"Green" records of the regions of Ukraine: energy efficiency, solar stations, and electric cars 9 Jan (in Russian)

150 thousand Ukrainian families used a program of "warm" loans in 2017 9 Jan (in Russian)

PM Groyzman: More than 150,000 Ukrainian families took advantage of energy efficiency program last year 5 Jan

Ukraine, EU close to signing agreement on EUR 100 mln for Energy Efficiency Fund – Zubko 5 Jan

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Negotiations of Ukraine and the EU on the € 100 million co-financing of the Energy Efficiency Fund have reached the final stage 5 Jan (in Russian)

Local authorities increase the additional co-financing of "warm loans" for the Association of co-owners of the apartment building 3 Jan (in Russian)

Energy Efficiency Fund begins its work in Ukraine 2 Jan

Energy Efficiency Fund began its work in Ukraine – Cabinet of Ministers 1 Jan (in Russian)

Prime Minister: Energy Efficiency Fund is a new tool for implementing energy modernization projects in Ukraine 1 Jan

EBRD has issued 9 million euros for increasing of energy efficiency in Kremenchuk 29 Dec (in Russian)

Head of the SAEE presented the achievements of Ukraine in the field of energy efficiency and renewable energy for 2017 28 Dec (in Russian)

About 2,000 ESCO projects can be implemented in Ukraine in 2018 – Savchuk 28 Dec

EBRD improves energy efficiency of public buildings in Ukraine 28 Dec

Renewable Energy

Odessa Regional State Administration expects that the production of solar energy in the region will grow 3 times by 2021 5 Jan (in Russian)

A biofuel exchange to be created in Ukraine 3 Jan (in Russian)

Lithuanians will build a solar station on the territory of a creamery in the Kherson region 2 Jan (in Russian)

In 2017 there were opened 5 solar and one wind station with a total capacity of 48.8 MW in the Lviv region 31 Dec (in Russian)

Ukraine's MHP gets EBRD loan for 10-MW biogas plant 29 Dec

For 10 months of 2017 in Ukraine there was put into operation 2 times more renewable energy capacities comparing to the whole 2016 28 Dec (in Russian)

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ECRB elects new President and sets priorities for 2018 9 Jan

The Government has approved a draft law on cogeneration 5 Jan (in Russian)

National Commission for State Regulation of Energy and Public Utilities signed a package of key documents for the implementation of a new electricity market 28 Dec (in Russian)

First stage of data audit at the Ministry of Energy completed 8 Jan

Energy ministry announces tender to select independent members of Ukrenergo's supervisory board 3 Jan

EBRD supports electrification of Ukrainian railways 2 Jan

Ukrenergo will implement ERP system based on Microsoft platform 2 Jan

Energy tariffs

Retail tariffs for electricity rose since January 2018 In Ukraine 9 Jan (in Russian)

Price of electricity sale to wholesale energy market 0.2% down in Dec 4 Jan

NCER will increase Energoatom tariff by 15.9% from Jan 2018 2 Jan

National Commission for State Regulation of Energy and Public Utilities adopted an updated "green tariff" for households 29 Dec (in Russian)

National Commission for State Regulation of Energy and Public Utilities reduced price for heating for residents of Kiev 29 Dec (in Russian)

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Tariff for electricity for the population will grow by 16% in 2018 28 Dec (in Russian)

NCER will raise wholesale electricity price by 9.5% for Q1, 2018, another 6.1% for Q2-4, 2018 28 Dec

Electricity

Energy Ministry forecasts 15-20% rise in electricity exports in 2018 4 Jan

Ukraine raises electricity production by 1.1% in 11 months 29 Dec

Ukraine raises export of electricity by 34.4% in 11 months 29 Dec

Kievenergo created a web-based platform for connection to the electricity grid 27 Dec (in Russian)

Oil & Gas

Ukrainian enterprises import gas at \$253 in Dec 2017 – Economy ministry 5 Jan

Ukraine posts 26.8% rise in imports of gas in 2017 2 Jan

Ukraine sees 13.7% rise in gas transit in 2017 2 Jan

Ukraine ready to resume purchases of Russian gas if it is cheap 28 Dec

Ukraine reduces gas consumption by over 7 billion cubic meters 28 Dec

Call for expression of interest in relation to the engagement of a partner of the Main Gas Pipelines of

Ukraine for the operation and management of the gas transmission system of Ukraine 28 Dec

Nuclear Energy

Ukrenergo, Moldelectrica discuss plans to resume Yuzhnoukrainsk NPP-Isaccea power line 2 Jan

Zaporizhia NPP puts into trial operation complex for processing radioactive waste 29 Dec

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