



## Eastern Europe Energy Update – 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2018

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### Armenia

#### Renewable Energy

Armenia negotiates with Elon Musk's Tesla for energy storage battery project 5 Apr

#### Energy policy, economic and business news

Armenian parliament ratifies agreement with EU and European Atomic Energy Community 11 Apr

Armenia's 2008-2018 energy leap continues 10 Apr

Yerevan Thermal Power Plant's substation under reconstruction now 9 Apr

#### Electricity

Armenia intends to consume only cheap electricity from nuclear power plants and from renewable energy sources already by 2030 4 Apr (in Russian)

#### Nuclear Energy

Deputy minister says there is alternative to shutting down Armenian nuclear power plant 10 Apr

Official: Armenia-EU contains no word about closure of Metsamor NPP 10 Apr

### Azerbaijan

#### Renewable Energy

Azerbaijan to lure private investments to wind plants construction 8 Apr

New solar power plants may appear in Azerbaijan 4 Apr

#### Energy policy, economic and business news

SOCAR: Number of Greenhouse Gas Emissions Decreased by 45% 9 Apr

SOCAR International Forum to Be Held in Late April 6 Apr

SOCAR intends to invest in Bulgaria's gas sector 6 Apr

IADC conducts workshop at Baku Higher Oil School 4 Apr

#### Electricity

Iran could help Azerbaijan export electricity to other countries – envoy 7 Apr

#### Oil & Gas

BP to extend work on providing long-term oil & gas production in Azerbaijan 11 Apr

Azerbaijani oil rises in price 10 Apr

Azerbaijan cuts oil production within OPEC oil deal 10 Apr

SOCAR names volume of gas export to Georgia 10 Apr

SOCAR Expects Gas Production from New Fields in 2020-2021 9 Apr

Natural Gas Europe: efficient oil strategy of Azerbaijan 7 Apr

SOCAR President: SGC to create significant common gas-main pipeline 6 Apr

Azerbaijan Supplied Oil to Ukraine for \$ 107 Million in Q1 6 Apr

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### Belarus

#### **Renewable Energy**

Minsk waste-to-energy plant construction project estimated at €300m 4 Apr

#### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

Ministry of Energy started preparations for the Belarusian Energy and Environmental Forum 11 Apr (in Russian)

Secretariat issues Policy Recommendations to help Belarus reform its energy sector 10 Apr

Minsk to host Belarusian Energy and Ecology Forum, expo, congress on 9-12 October 8 Apr

About the meeting of the Commission on the operational and technological coordination of the joint operation of energy systems of the CIS and Baltic countries 6 Apr (in Russian)

#### **Oil & Gas**

Belarus' plans to process 18m tonnes of oil in 2018 remain intact 9 Apr

Gasification of consumers of the Republic of Belarus at the present stage - based on the materials of the press conference on April 5, 2018 5 Apr (in Russian)

#### **Nuclear Energy**

Opinion: BelNPP project criticized mainly by Lithuanian politicians, not specialists 11 Apr

Credit line for BelNPP construction opened until 2035 11 Apr

Mikhail Mikhadyuk: We realize our responsibility to the international community - interview of the Deputy Minister of Energy of the Lithuanian television and radio company LRT 10 Apr (in Russian)

### Georgia

#### **Energy efficiency**

Giorgi Chikovani Participated at Working Group Workshop on Energy Efficiency Legislation Plan 3 Apr

#### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

Romeo Mikautadze at Second Asia and Pacific Energy Ministerial Forum 6 Apr

#### **Oil & Gas**

17,517 families in 80 Georgian villages to be supplied with natural gas 4 Apr

### Moldova

#### **Energy efficiency**

Moldova: EU supports energy-efficient street lighting and safe drinking water 9 Apr

Drivers urged to use most energy-efficient tires 4 Apr

#### **Renewable Energy**

The Moldovan-Czech Forum dedicated to the development of the biomass energy sector will be held in Chisinau 11 Apr (in Romanian)

New financing programme for initiatives on promotion of green energy launched in Moldova 10 Apr

Moldova: Carpineni village switches to green energy thanks to EU support 9 Apr

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Renewable Energy Law Gets into Force 8 Apr

### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

Period provided to investors for power plants' construction extended in Moldova 5 Apr

Republic of Moldova will develop cooperation relationship with the UAE 4 Apr



## **Russian Federation**

### **Renewable Energy**

Hevel to equip mining site in Russia's Far East with 1-MW solar plant 10 Apr

### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

Statement following contacts between Vice President Šefčovič and Russian Energy Minister Novak 10 Apr

Cooperation with Northwest Russia to raise environmental and climate awareness 9 Apr

Russian investments in Turkey's Akkuyu nuclear power plant reach 3 billion dollars 6 Apr

Anastasia Bondarenko: "We will improve Electricity Law to prevent unscrupulous consumers abuse" 4 Apr (in Russian)

### **Oil & Gas**

Anton Inyutsyn "Russian fuel and energy balance is today one of the cleanest in the world" 11 Apr (in Russian)

Russian Foreign Ministry: Europe doesn't understand US position on Nord Stream-2 project 8 Apr

Russia freezes gas production 6 Apr

Russia mulls settlements for oil in national currencies with Turkey, Iran 6 Apr

Gazprom and Italian Snam Discuss How to Continue TurkStream in Europe 6 Apr



## **Ukraine**

### **Energy efficiency**

Energy and industry objects will not be the subject to mandatory energy efficiency certification 11 Apr (in Russian)

Germany may issue additional EUR 10 mln for projects of the Energy Efficiency Fund 10 Apr (in Russian)

### **Renewable Energy**

Transition from the "green" tariff for auctions will not prevent the development of renewable energy in Ukraine - DTEK CEO 10 Apr (in Russian)

Instead of a spent quarry will appear a 200 MW solar power plant in the Dnepropetrovsk region 10 Apr (in Russian)

DTEK intends to increase the capacity of "green" generation by 5 times by 2020 10 Apr (in Russian)

40 solar collectors for heating water installed on the roof of the polyclinic in the Poltava region 7 Apr (in Russian)

China Machinery Engineering Corporation invests €230 mln in construction of solar power plant in Ukraine 7 Apr

Chinese company to invest EUR 230 mln in the largest solar power plant in Ukraine 6 Apr (in Russian)

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Boiler plant on biomass will allow Vinnitsa to save UAH 2.8 mln per year 6 Apr (in Russian)

Ukrhydroenergo cannot start overhaul of bridge to Dnipro HPP for two year over absence of alternative routes 6 Apr

Khmelnitsky NPP to build solar power plant with capacity up to 15 MW 5 Apr (in Russian)

Ukrhydroenergo plans to start construction of a solar power plant on 80 MW and of a pilot wind power plant in Kanev in 2018 5 Apr (in Russian)

Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine plans to simplify the construction of wind farms 5 Apr (in Russian)

Share of Ukrhydroenergo in the energy balance of Ukraine will exceed 10% in 2018 5 Apr (in Russian)

Odessa Regional State Administration approved plan for the construction of a 12 MW solar station in the Berezovsky District 5 Apr (in Russian)

Ukraine increased production of electricity from alternative energy sources by 25% 5 Apr (in Russian)

### **Energy policy, economic and business news**

Merkel on Nord Stream 2: Some gas should be still supplied via Ukraine 10 Apr

Poroshenko calls on European partners to modernize transit pipeline via Ukraine instead of participating in Nord Stream 2 9 Apr

Poroshenko proposes Germany modernize Ukrainian GTS instead of participating in Nord Stream 2 9 Apr

Ukrainian government simultaneously implements three reforms in energy sector 6 Apr

Energy Ministry next year to represent program of Ukraine's energy forecast balance 6 Apr

Cooperation between Ukraine and the EU in energy sector is the most intense nowadays - a meeting of Prime Minister of Ukraine and Director-General of DG for Energy of the European Commission 6 Apr

### **Energy tariffs**

Ukrhydroenergo initiated an increase in the tariff for electricity of the hydroelectric power station by 38% 6 Apr (in Russian)

### **Electricity**

Ukraine exports electricity for \$80.5 mln in Jan-March 6 Apr

Integration of Ukrainian power grid with ENTSO-E is strategic direction of cooperation 6 Apr

### **Oil & Gas**

Gas transit via Ukraine should be retained 10 Apr

EC to help work out terms of tender to attract partner to manage Ukraine's GTS – govt 9 Apr

We are working out a formula for fair gas price for future periods, claims Prime Minister 9 Apr

European Union intends to preserve gas transit via Ukraine 7 Apr

Groysman: Ukraine to increase natural gas production by 1 bcm every year 6 Apr

Finland greenlights construction of gas pipeline bypassing Ukraine 5 Apr

### **Coal**

Ukraine sees almost 1.6-fold rise in coal imports in Jan-March 6 Apr

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