



## ENERGY WEEK GEORGIA 2020 – TIMED PROGRAMME

### DAY 1. 28<sup>th</sup> JANUARY

**08:30 – 09:30** REGISTRATION AND WELCOME  
COFFEE

**08:15 – 09:25** BUSINESS BREAKFAST (by  
invitation)

#### **09:30 OFFICIAL OPENING AND WELCOME ADDRESSES**

09:30 – 09:35 Organizer's opening remarks

#### WELCOME ADDRESSES

- Natia Turnava, **Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia**
- Ivane Matchavariani, **Minister of Finance of Georgia** (tbc)
- Kakha Kaladze, **Mayor of Tbilisi** (tbc)
- Catarina Bjorlin Hansen, *Regional Director, Caucasus*, **European Bank for Reconstruction and Development**
- Maciej Czura, *Head of the Regional Representation for the South Caucasus*, **European Investment Bank**

**10:30 – 11:00** COFFEE AND NETWORKING BREAK

#### **11:00 – 12:30 SESSION 1. GOVERNMENT INCENTIVES AND SUPPORT OF INVESTMENT PROJECTS IN ENERGY SECTOR**

11:00 – 11:15 David Tvalabeishvili, *Deputy Minister*, **Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia**

11:15 – 11:30 Davit Narmania, *Chairman*, **GNERC** Growing Role of GNERC in Regulation of Energy and Water Supply Sectors

11:30 – 11:45 Mikheil Tavberidze, *Deputy General Director*, **ESCO**

11:45 – 12:00 Ucha Uchaneishvili, *Chairman of the Management Board/Rehabilitation Manager*, **GSE**

12:00 – 12:15 Mikheil Khidureli, *CEO*, **Enterprise Georgia**

12:15 – 12:30 Q&A

**12:30 – 13:30** LUNCH



## 13:30 SESSION 2. THE FUTURE GROWTH OF HYDROPOWER

13:30 – 13:45 Giorgi Danelia, *Deputy CEO, Partnership Fund*

13:45 – 14:00 Prashant Joshi, *CEO, Adjaristsqali Georgia*

14:00 – 14:15 Burak Cangan, *General Manager, Georgian Urban Enerji, Anadolu Group*

14:15 – 14:30 Representative, **Georgia Global Utilities**

14:30 – 14:45 Mogeli Tkebuchava, *Director, Phazisi Energy*

14:45 – 15:00 Waldemar Kwiatkowski, *Construction Director*; Aleksandr Korpach, *Chief Project Engineer, Keller Central Asia* *Geotechnical Solutions for Green Energy*

15:00 – 15:15 Q&A

**15:15 – 15:45** COFFEE AND NETWORKING BREAK

## 15:45 SESSION 3. ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES OF GEORGIA

15:45 – 16:00 Giorgi Chikovani, *CEO, Georgian Energy Development Fund*

16:00 – 16:15 Aida Sitdikova, *Director, Energy Eurasia, EBRD*

16:15 – 16:30 Margalita Arabidze, *Deputy Head of Energy Policy Department, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia*

16:30 – 16:45 Giorgi Abramishvili, *Executive Director, Georgian Renewable Energy Development Association* *Challenges of renewable energy in Georgia*

16:45 – 17:00 Jacopo Licheri, *Business Development Manager, Pöyry Switzerland* *The potential of Wind and Solar in Georgia and the need to combine it with CCGT – a technical consultant's view*

17:00 – 17:15 Stephan Ciniselli, *Global Director Power&Utilities, Bureau Veritas* *Best Practice approaches to ensure Quality and Safety of Power Generating Assets*

17:15 – 17:30 Q&A

**19:30** GALA DINNER



## DAY 2. 29<sup>th</sup> JANUARY

**09:00 – 09:30** MORNING COFFEE AND NETWORKING

### **09:30 SESSION 1. FINANCING ENERGY PROJECTS**

09:30 – 09:45 David Tvalabeishvili, *Deputy Minister, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia*

09:45 – 10:00 Natalia Motsonelidze, *Deputy Chairman, LEPL-Public Private Partnership Agency* The establishment of the Public Private Partnership (PPP) instrument in Georgia

10:00 – 10:15 Ton Nijenstein, *Senior Investment Officer, Renewable Energy Dept. Asia and Eastern Europe Team, FMO* Financing Renewables: why Insurance is so important

10:15 – 10:30 David Managadze, *Associate Director, Senior Banker, Energy Eurasia, Sustainable Infrastructure Group, EBRD*

10:30 – 10:45 David Urbaneja-Furelos, *Infrastructure Finance Division, Private Sector Operations Dept., Georgia Resident Mission, ADB*

10:45 – 11:00 Nikolay Ilyin, *Country Coordinator in Azerbaijan & Georgia, PFAN* Helping developers in their search of financing

11:00 – 11:15 Q&A

**11:15 – 11:45** COFFEE AND NETWORKING BREAK

### **11:45 SESSION 2. TRANSMISSION PROJECTS, DISTRIBUTION MARKETS AND ENERGY STORAGE**

11:45 – 12:00 Zviad Gachechiladze, *Deputy Director of Electricity Department, GNERC* Liberalization of Electricity Sector and A New Regulatory Framework

12:00 – 12:15 Zakaria Avaliani, *Member of the Management Board, GSE* / Archil Kokhtashvili, *Head of Electrical Regimes and Development Service, GSE*

12:15 – 12:30 Daniel Potash, *Chief of Party, USAID Energy Program* Grid Integration of Variable Renewable Energy

12:30 – 12:45 Mikheil Botsvadze, *Director General, ENERGO-PRO GEORGIA* (tbc)

12:45 – 13:00 Giorgi Khurodze, *General Director of Ai Car, AiGROUP* (tbc)

13:00 – 13:15 Q&A

**13:15 – 14:15** LUNCH



### 14:15 SESSION 3. ENERGY EFFICIENCY

14:15 – 14:30 Natalia Jamburia, *Head of Energy Efficiency Policy Division, Energy Policy Department, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia*

14:30 – 14:45 George Abulashvili, *Director, EEC Georgia*

14:45 – 15:00 Nino Lazashvili, *National Project Manager, Reducing Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions through Improved Energy Efficiency in the Industrial Sector in Georgia, Energy Systems and Infrastructure Division, Energy Dept., UNIDO*

15:00 – 15:15 Andrey Bartoshevich, *Program Officer, EU Delegation to Georgia* (tbc)

15:15 – 15:30 Katazina Andrukonyte, *Project Director, Elomatic Modern Low Carbon Heating Technologies, Best Available Practice*

15:30 – 15:45 Q&A

**15:45 – 16:15 COFFEE AND NETWORKING BREAK**

### 16:15 – 17:30 PANEL DISCUSSION

- ✓ Which macro trends are affecting energy investment in emerging markets today?
- ✓ Renewables' contribution to serving Georgia's electricity demand. The European experience with setting the framework for RES projects. What lessons can be learnt for Georgia's renewable energy sector development?
- ✓ What are the business models for banks and financial institutions? Deep dive into the decision process for financing energy projects. Which financing models reduce risks to the private sector developer?
- ✓ Are (long term) PPA-tariffs for renewables important from an economic, regulatory, environmental, social and sustainability perspective?
- ✓ Renewable energy auctions: expectations vs. reality.

#### Panelists:

- Representative, Georgian Energy Development Fund (tbc)
- Andreas Cremer, *Head of Energy and Infrastructure Europe and Asia department, DEG*
- Alexey Loza, *Partner, Assurance, CESA, Energy Sector Leader, EY*
- Ton Nijenstein, *Senior Investment Officer, Renewable Energy Dept. Asia and Eastern Europe Team, FMO*
- Alex Blomfield, *Partner, Energy, Natural Resources and Infrastructure Projects, Simmons & Simmons*

**17:30 CONGRESS CLOSING**



## TECHNICAL VISITS. 30<sup>th</sup> JANUARY

**08:45 – 09:00** Participants' gathering (Sheraton Grand Tbilisi Metechi Palace foyer)

**09:00 – 11:30** **Visit to Qartli Wind Farm**

**11:30 – 13:30** **Visit to Zhinvali HPP**

**13:30 – 14:30** LUNCH (Mtskheta)

**14:30 – 16:30** **Mtskheta city tour**

**17:30** Return to Sheraton Grand Tbilisi Metechi Palace