THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA



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Greets all participants of "POWER ENERGY(B)" training program and wishes fruitful and effective work!

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1. Armenia in Brief

Country at a Glance:

Official Name: Capital: Major Cities:

Head of State: Head of Government:

National Legislative body: Area: Population: Currency: Republic of Armenia Yerevan Gyumri, Hrazdan, Abovyan, Edjmiatsin President Serzh Sargsyan

Prime Minister Tigran Sargsyan

National Assembly 29,800 sq. kilometers 3,3 mln Dram



Republic of Armenia

The Republic of Armenia is situated in the southern part of the Caucasus between watersheds of middle streams of the Araks and Kura Rivers. The territory of the Republic is 29.8 thousand sq. kilometers. It occupies the southeastern part of a vast highland area known as the Armenian Upland, which is located within the Alpine-Himalayan mountain system. The Armenian landscape is very picturesque and rich in numerous cultural monuments, such as rock drawings, cave towns, excavations of ancient cities and Paleolithic settlements, remnants of the most ancient observatories and metallurgical centers, creations of old and Medieval Armenian masters (temples, cloisters and fortresses) and modern architectural ensembles. This is all reflected in various guidebooks for the numerous tourists who visit Armenia. Armenia has every reason to be considered a museum in the open air.



The Republic of Armenia

Population: 3.3 mln.

Land: 29 thousand square km

GDP - real growth rate: more than 10% in average for last 7 years

GDP - per capita (PPP): \$5,700



The Armenian Nation was formed on the Armenian Upland, which reached the Caspian, Black and Mediterranean Seas and was situated on the crossroads of trade ways between Asia and Europe. Over centuries the Armenian People had defended their Motherland from the conquerors invading into their territory. But in spite of all ordeals Armenians retained their individuality and national heritage. Against the background of impetuous historical events, in parallel with the national culture, an original, social, intellectual and religious image of the Nation was formed.

Christianity was declared official national religion in 301A.D. The Church Grigor Lusavorich was built in 2001, devoted to 1700 anniversary of Christianity and is the fifth largest Church in the World.

The Armenian alphabet was created by Mesrop Mashtots, the great Armenian scientist, in 405 A.D.



On September 21, 1991 Armenian Nation voted for its Independence. In December 1991 after the Collapse of USSR, International Community was accepted Armenian Independence.



Armenia is the smallest of the Caucasus countries, which is bordered by Georgia in north, Azerbaijan in west and southwest, Turkey and Iran in east and south consequently.



2. POWER SECTOR OVERVIEW













Functional Structure of Armenian Energy system



POWER SECTOR OF RA

1.	Installed Capacities			
	ANPP		408 MW (2nd unit)	
	Thermal Power Plants		1756 MW	
	Hydro Power Plants		956 MW	
	Small HPPs		102 MW	
	Wind Farm		2,6 MW	
2.	Transmission system			
	220 kV	1323 km	14 substations	
	110 kV	3169 km	119 substations	
3.	Distribution system			
	35 kV	2675 km	278 substations	
	6(10) kV	9740 km overhead and 4955 km cable lines		
	0.4 kV	13570 km overhead and 2160 km cable lines		

Currently the energy sector of Armenia is one of the full operational and cost-effective branches of the country's economy. Armenia fully covers energy demand in the internal market and exports electricity to Georgia, as well as successfully performs an electricity exchange with Iran on mutually beneficial basis. The installed capacity of the power system of Armenia is with surplus and is equal to 3107,6 MW, from which the 2420 MW is utilized. During the recent years the maximal load of power system crossed the frontier of 1200MW

Basic Capac	ity, Generation a	and		
Consumption Data				
	2007	2008		
Installed capacity of power plants, MW				
Thermal	1756	1756		
Nuclear	408	408		
Hydro	1058	1074		
Total	3222	3238		
Yearly generation, billion kWh				
Thermal	1,5	1,8		
Nuclear	2,5	2,5		
Hydro	1,8	1,8		
Total	5,8	6,1		
Annual consumption, billion kWh				
	5,5	5,73		
Imports, billion kWh				
		0.34		
Exports, billion kWh				
		0.48		

Main actors ;

<u>Transmission system operator</u> "The Electric Power System Operator" CJSC plays the role of a transmission system operator.

Other actors:

CSC "Armenian electric networks" CJSC – distribution company, generating entities including "Armenian NPP" CJSC, "Hrazdan TPP" CJSC, "Yerevan TPP" CJSC, "Vorotan Cascade of HPPs" CJSC, "International energy corporation" CJSC, "HV electric network" CJSC –

"HV electric network" CJSC – transmission company, "The Settlement Center" CJSC.

Main generators					
No.	Electric power plants	Installed capacity (MW)			
Thermal power plants					
1	Hrazdan TPP	1110			
2	Yerevan TPP	550			
3	Vanadzor TPP	96			
Nuclear power plants					
1	Armenian NPP	408			
Hydro power plants					
1	Spandarian HPP	76			
2	Shamb HPP	171			
3	Tatev HPP	158			
4	Sevan HPP	34			
5	Hrazdan HPP	82			
6	Argel HPP	224			
7	Arzni HPP	70			
8	Kanaker HPP	102			
9	Yerevan HPP	44			
10	Dzora HPP	26.4			

Transmission network and system issues Status of international interconnections <u>Existing international transmission lines</u>

Country	Name of substation	Voltage (kV)	Length (km)	Transmission capacity (MVA)
Azerbaijan	Hrazdan HPP – Akstafa	330	108	400
	Ararat-2 – Babek	220	99.6	250
Azerbaijan (Nakhicheyan)	Ararat-2 – Norashen	110	98	85
(i vakinene van)	Agarak – Ordubad	110	30	85
	Alaverdi – Tbilisi TPP	220	63.4	245
Georgia	Alaverdi 2/Lalvar – Sadakhlo	110	26.88	80
	Ashotsk – Ninotsminda	110	35,8	80
	NKR Goris – Shushi	110	58	85
Iran I	Shinuair – Agarak	220	189.2	250
Iran II	Shinuair – Agarak	220	166,92	250
Turkev	Gumri – Kars	220	9.5	340

<u>The following four Pillars are</u> <u>identified in National Energy</u> <u>Strategy:</u>

development of nuclear energy

• full and sound utilization of renewable energy sources, improving of energy efficiency

 diversification of primary energy resources and import/export routs

regional integration and cooperation.

The strategic issues for development of nuclear energy in Armenia have been clearly formulated since that moment of adoption of National Security Strategy of RA and in this way on November 2007 the GoA approved the Decommissioning Strategy of ANPP. Presentation of Feasibility Study for the construction of new nuclear unit and Study on assessment of environmental impact conducted by the assistance of USAID was made on 24 September 2008. Within the framework of the mentioned works the study is carrying out by IAEA assistance on the required training for personnel that will be involved in construction and operation of new unit. TOR for seismic exploration of the site was elaborated and submitted to IAEA's approval and international tender for implementation of the mentioned works will be announced soon.

According to "Action Plan for the Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Armenia Stipulated by the Provisions of the National Security Strategies of the Republic of Armenia" it's foreseen to construct:

- 271 MW combined cycle energy unit of Yerevan TPP by loan of JBIC in 2011;
- 440 MW Hrazdan-5 unit of Hrazdan TPP by means of "Gasprom" in 2010;
- small HPPs with nominal total capacity of 260 MW and with total annual production - 600 mln kWh till 2025;
- 140 MW Meghri HPP with annual production about 800 mln kWh till 2014;
- 60 MW Loriberd HPP with annual production about 200 mln kWh till 2015;
- 75 MW Shnogh HPP with annual production about 300 mln kWh till 2015;
- 1200 MW new unit of nuclear plant with annual production about 7,5 bln kWh till 2016
- Armenia-Georgia 400 kV overhead line by loan of KfW in 2009,
- Iran-Armenia 400 kV overhead line in 2011.

Renewable energy resources in Armenia under the current developments



Hydro energy
Wind Energy
Solar Energy
Geothermal Energy
Biomass Energy

4. Renewable Energy

Armenia has significant renewable energy resources, utilization of which will make available to cover 35% of electricity demand in 2025 (not including the potential of geothermal energy, solar energy direct transformations and production of electricity from biogas).

HPP	Information about course of affairs
On Araks River Meghri HPP /about 140 MW capacity and around 800 million kWh annual electricity generation/	 The project on construction of hydro power plant is being realized together with Islamic Republic of Iran /IRI/. The Feasibility Study for Meghri HPP is completed. Negotiations are carrying out for clarification of financial schemes for construction of Meghri HPP.
On Debet River Shnogh HPP /about 75 MW capacity and 300 million kWh annual electricity generation/	Technical design, which was done by Armhydroenergyproject Institute in 1966, was updated in 1993. The Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources of the RA is conducted negotiations to arrange elaboration of the Feasibility Study for construction of Shnogh HPP by the assistance of World Bank.
On Dzoraget River Loriberd HPP / about 66 MW capacity – and around 200 million kWh annual electricity generation /	 The Feasibility Study was elaborated by Fichtner company within the framework of European Union /TACIS/ 2003-2004 programme. In February 2007 Fichtner company updated the FS. In the result of implemented cost estimation the increase of prices on 15% was registered compared with 2004. In general increase of prices resulted from increase of prices on equipment. The Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources of the RA is conducted negotiations for construction of Loriberd HPP by the assistance of World Bank

Hydro energy

 Existing HPPs in Armenia
 Sevan-Hrazdan HPPs Cascade: 556MW / 2320 million kWh
 Vorotan HPPs Cascade: 404MW / 1157 million kWh
 Dzora HPP:

25MW / 90 million kWh

Small HPPs in Armenia

There are: • 70 Existing SHPPs 81 MW / 278 million kWh 64 SHPPs under the construction 152 MW / 548 million kWh 115 foreseen SHPPs 147 MW / 540 million kWh

Wind Energy

 The first wind power plant in Armenia and in Caucasus

 • Lori-1 Wind Power Plant

 2,6 MW /

 5 million kWh





 The average annual amount of solar energy flow per square meter of horizontal surface is about 1720 kWh/m2 (the average European is 1000 kWh/m2)

• One fourth of the country's territory is endowed with solar energy resources of 1850 kWh/m2.

Geothermal Energy

<u>Geothermal energy sources</u>

- Projects under the development:
- Jermaghbyur: 20-25 atmosphere pressure 250oC/2500-3000 meter in depth/25 MW
- Gridzor and Qarqar: geological and geophysical explorations
- Investigation of other perspective sites

Biomass Energy

<u>Biogas</u>

Solid Waste Landfill Gas Capture and Power Generation CDM Project in Yerevan- 56000 t CO2 emissions/1,4 MW

<u>Bioethanol</u>

Project development at the national level: Bioethanol Production, Potential Utilization and Perspectives in Armenia-7000-14000 t/annually





Utilization of some of the above mentioned measures will allow to maintain 30% of renewable electricity production in Armenia, from the total, before 2025.Even more ambitious goal than famous EU 20% before 2020!



