Workshop “Strengthening national capacity in applying sustainable energy policies and practices based on the recommendations of the Environmental Performance Reviews”

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The Government should finalize a national energy strategy in accordance with national priorities and carry out a strategic environmental assessment of the strategy.

- Ongoing
  - The National Energy Policy Concept
  - National Integrated Energy and Climate Plan (NECP)
The Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development (The Ministry of Energy) should apply hydropower plant site selection criteria based on international best practices.

- **Ongoing**
  - The annual Ten-Year Network Development Plan (TYNDP).
Environmental protection and agriculture of Georgia (The Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection) should consider application of the principles of the Hydropower Sustainability Assessment Protocol developed by the International Hydropower Association.

- **Implemented**
  - SEA requirement for strategic documents, among others for energy sector
The Government should:
(a) Develop national rules on the methodology for determining environmental flows;
(b) Develop a resettlement policy framework.

- **Ongoing**
  - National rules on the methodology for determining an acceptable minimal water flow (“environmental flow”) have been developed and equals 10 per cent.
  - The Methodology has been prepared with support of the USAID project “Governance for Growth” (G4G).
The Government should consider the promotion of renewable sources of energy.

**Ongoing**

- The Law of Georgia On Promotion of Production and Utilization of Energy from Renewable
- the normative acts are being prepared
- “Establishing support schemes for promoting the Generation and use of Energy from renewable sources (HPPs)”, adopted on July 2nd 2020,
- established support schemes for Hydro Power Plants with installed capacity greater than 5 MW.
- Virtual Net-metering is available for all RE Generators up to 500 KW since 2020.
Thank You!

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