

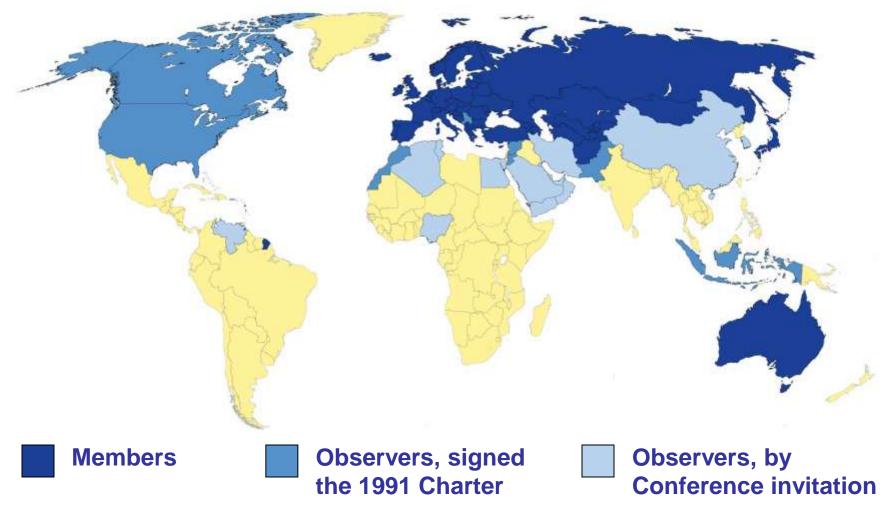
# Energy Charter activities in CAREC region

19<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Energy Sector Coordinating Committee 30-31 March 2015 Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

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#### **Energy Charter Constituency**

Common rules for global energy security



#### What Does the ECT Do?



**Energy Security Open and Efficient Energy Markets** 

**Dispute Resolution** 

Investment Promotion & Protection

Trade and Transit

Freedom of Transit

Energy Efficiency

Non-Discrimination among Participants

National Sovereignty over Natural Resources



### **ECT – Main Focus**

- Promotion of foreign investments
- Non-discriminatory conditions for energy trade
- Reliable cross-border energy transit
- Resolution of disputes
- Promotion of energy efficiency



# **Energy Charter process**

Dec. 1991

**European Energy Charter** 

Political commitment - not legally binding

Dec. 1994

**Energy Charter Treaty (ECT)** 

52 states + EU and Euratom – legally binding entered into force April 1998

Open for accessions for states and REIOs which have signed the European Energy Charter

#### **Energy Charter Conference**

Based on the ECT – decision making body

Main task to review and facilitate the implementation of the principles of the Charter and the ECT

Members: signatories of the ECT

Observers: signatories of the European Energy Charter, invited states and international organisations



- Confirm, reinforce and enhance established principles of energy cooperation
- Create a governmental platform to address contemporary energy challenges
- Support the modernisation of the Energy Charter Process
- Contribute to solid global energy governance by facilitating new accessions to the ECT
- IEC will be signed in The Hague on 20-21 May 2015.



# Regional Initiatives

- Promoting political dialogue for the development of sustainable energy resources and energy trade;
- Facilitating construction of cross-border energy infrastructure;
- Enhancing cooperation through systematic channel for knowledge and information sharing.

# Regional Cooperation in Central and South Asia (RECA):

10 regional meetings have been organized:

- Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan (26 April 2007),
- Kabul, Afghanistan (18 November 2007),
- Dushanbe, Tajikistan (23 April 2008),
- Almaty, Kazakhstan (21 April 2009),
- Ashgabat, Turkmenistan (18 November 2009),
- Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia (9 July 2010),
- Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyzstan (23 June 2011),
- Dushanbe, Tajikistan (20 July 2012),
- Astana, Kazakhstan (7 October 2013),
- Ashgabat, Turkmenistan (9 December 2014),
- Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan (22 September 2015).



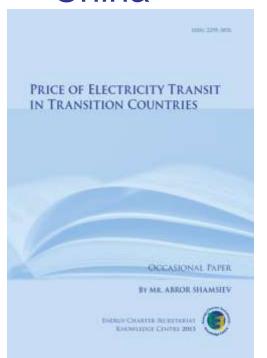


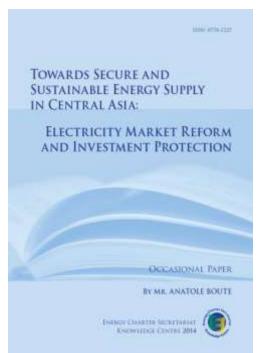
- Energy Charter Forum on reliable and stable transit of energy;
- Followed by International meeting of experts under UNGA resolution 67/263;
- Next meeting will be organised in Brussels on 22 April 2015 in cooperation with the government of Turkmenistan;
- Expected outcome: international legal mechanism on energy transit.

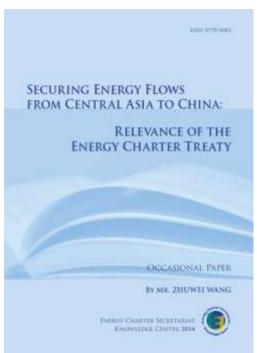


### Relevant studies

- Electricity transit pricing study in cooperation with CDC "Energiya"
- Power sector reform in transition countries
- Securing energy flows from Central Asia to China

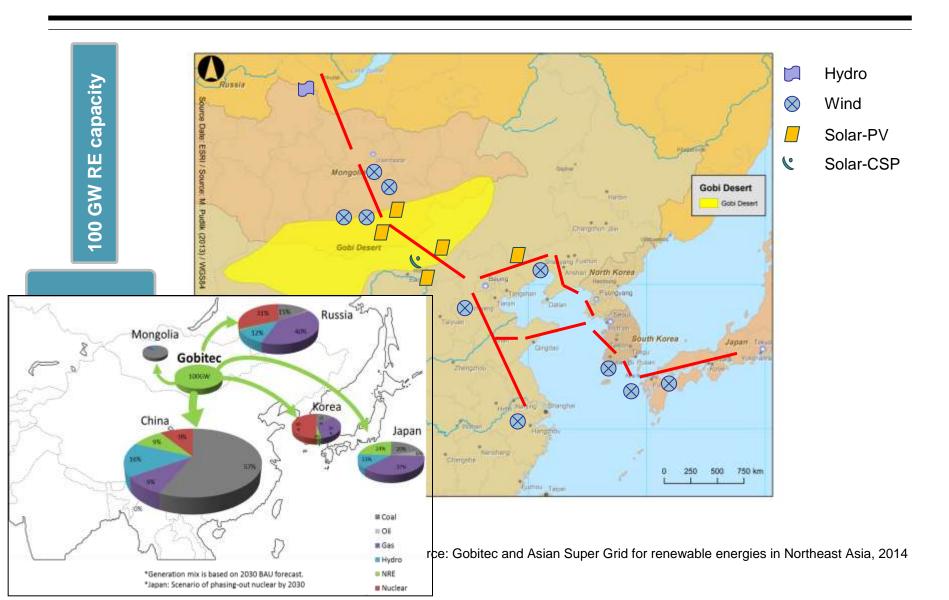






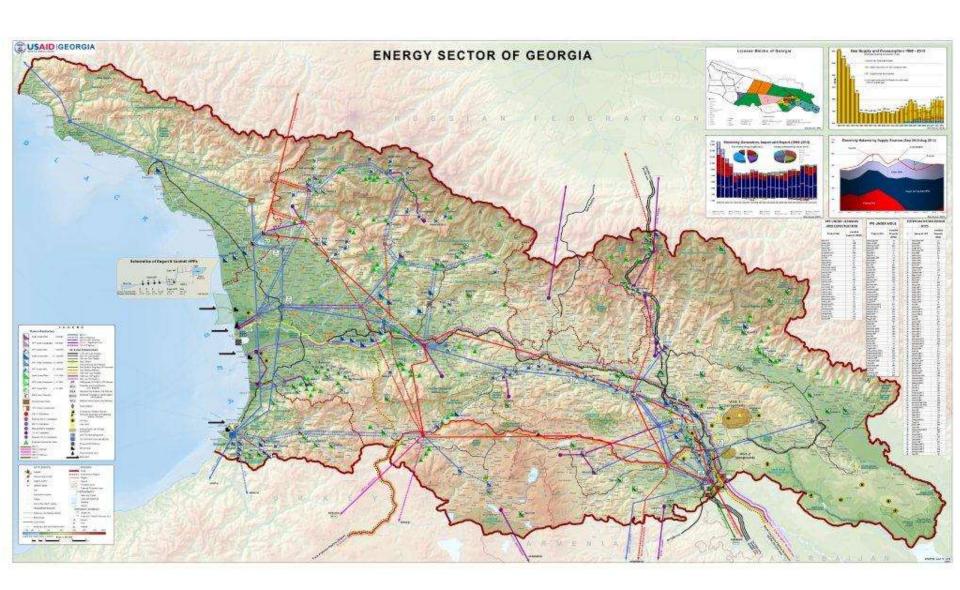


## **Northeast Asia**





## **South Caucasus**





### "One Belt, One Road" Initiative





# Role of the Energy Charter

- Energy trade is an important element of regional cooperation contributing to the energy security.
- The promotion and protection of energy investment as well as stable and reliable transportation routes are core to achieving such security.
- The Energy Charter as a multilateral instrument for international cooperation with its legal components and broad geographic scope could provide the necessary institutional platform for global energy governance.





## Thank you for your attention!

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