

**8th Georgian International Oil, Gas, Energy and Infrastructure
Conference & Showcase**



**2nd & 3rd April 2009
Sheraton Metechi Palace Hotel
Tbilisi, Georgia**

Conference Programme

Wednesday 1st April 2009

15.00-18.00 Conference pre-registration, Sheraton Metechi Palace Hotel

Day One: Thursday 2nd April 2009

- 08:30 Registration and coffee
- 09:00 Start of conference: Chairman's opening welcome: *John F. Hansen, Director of Energy and Environment Office, USAID, Georgia*
- 09:10 Keynote Address: *Nika Gilauri, Prime Minister of Georgia*
Opening remarks: *Per Eklund, Head of Delegation, Delegation of the European Commission to Georgia*
- 09:20 Session 1:
Recent developments in Georgia's oil, gas, and energy sectors
- Georgian Energy Sector overview
 - Main projects overview in Oil, Gas & Power sector of Georgia
 - Upcoming new hydro Greenfield Projects
 - Review of New High Voltage interconnection to Turkey
 - Small Hydropower in Georgia's Energy Balance
 - The role of Georgia as a reliable transit partner
 - Ensuring energy security
 - SOCAR Boosts Georgia- Azerbaijan Energy Cooperation
 - Georgia success story: maintaining safe, reliable oil & gas transportation
- Mariam Valishvili, First Deputy Minister of Energy, Ministry of Energy, Georgia*
John F. Hansen, Director of Energy and Environment Office, USAID, Georgia
Zurab Janjgava, General Director, Georgian Oil & Gas Corporation
Zaur Guliyev, General Director, SOCAR Gas Supply
Neil Dunn, General Manager, BP Georgia
- 11:00 Morning Coffee

11:30 Session 2:

The White Stream gas transportation project

- Can White Stream deliver Caspian gas to the EU via Georgia and the Black Sea?
 - White Stream from Georgian shore to Constanta – an EU Priority Project
 - PEGP: a project parallel to PEOP to offtake gas at Constanta for transport across the Energy Community countries to Italy
 - Technical features
- Creating the ‘Effective Corridor Concept’ to reduce perceived transportation risks and encourage upstream development and the pipeline across the Caspian Region
 - For governments
 - For investors
- Connecting Pan-European Gas Pipeline (PEGP) with White Stream – status of the project and further steps for 2009

Roberto Pirani, Chairman, White Stream Consortium

Giorgi Vashakmadze, Director, Corporate Development, White Stream Consortium

Bratislav Ceperkovic, Chairman and CEO, Transnafta, Serbia

12:30 Lunch

14:00 British Georgia Chamber of Commerce: *Mako Abashidze, Director, BGCC*
Doing business with Georgia: a recipe for success

14:10 Session 3:

Diversifying the supply of Oil & Natural Gas to Western and Eastern Europe

- Developments with Ukrainian transportation system; Odessa Brody and White Stream prospects in the Ukraine
- Diversifying the supply of natural gas to Europe
- Development of the Trans-Caspian Gas Pipeline and connecting to Nabucco

Olav Skalmaraas, Vice President Natural Gas, StatoilHydro ASA, Azerbaijan

Naila Mehrabova, General Director, Cross Caspian Oil and Gas Logistics LLC

Power Generation, Transmission and Distribution

- What are HVDC Interconnectors

Rafael Bonchang, Senior Business Development Manager, AREVA T&D

15:20 Afternoon Tea

15:50 Session 4:

Encouraging Western investment in the development of additional transport routes

- Perspectives on the distribution of Caspian oil flows and energy corridors
- Georgian Transport Corridor
- MCG’s Energy Project for Energy Security and Reliable Energy Supply to Georgia

Gogita Gvenetadze, Chief Specialist, Transport Department, Ministry of Economic Development, Georgia

Paata Tsagareishvili, Deputy Head, Transport Department, Ministry of Economic Development, Georgia

Abay N.Turikpenbaev, Chairman, Batumi Oil Terminal Ltd & Batumi Sea Port Ltd

George Abdushelishvili, Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Georgia Fund

17:20 Chairman’s closing remarks

17:30 End of day one

19:30 Evening reception

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Day Two: Friday 3rd April 2009

08:30 Registration and coffee
09:00 Chairman's opening remarks: *John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Platts*

09:05 Session 5:

Exploiting Georgian oil and gas reserves

- Prospect for Oil & Gas Exploration/Production in Georgia
 - Review of current production and exploration
 - Planned operations
 - Future prognoses and plans
- Self sufficiency and the regional energy balance
 - Georgia's energy balance
 - Georgia's role as a customer for Azerbaijani gas and as an offtaker from the South Caucasus Pipeline
- Building resilience a partnership between Government and commerce

George Tatishvili, Deputy Head, National Agency of Oil & Gas, Georgia

John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Platts

David John Evans, Managing Director, Link Associates International (A SEACOR Company)

10:30 Morning Coffee

11:00 Session 6:

Roundtable debate: Developing the Georgian energy sector

- Government initiatives to stimulate the sector
- Increasing investment in Georgia's energy infrastructure
- Energy security
- Sustainability of energy sources and routes

John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Platts

Mikheil Nibladze, Representative, Ninotsminda Oil company Ltd

Abay N.Turikpenbaev, Chairman, Batumi Oil Terminal Ltd & Batumi Sea Port Ltd

12:15 Chairman's closing remarks

12:30 End of conference

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