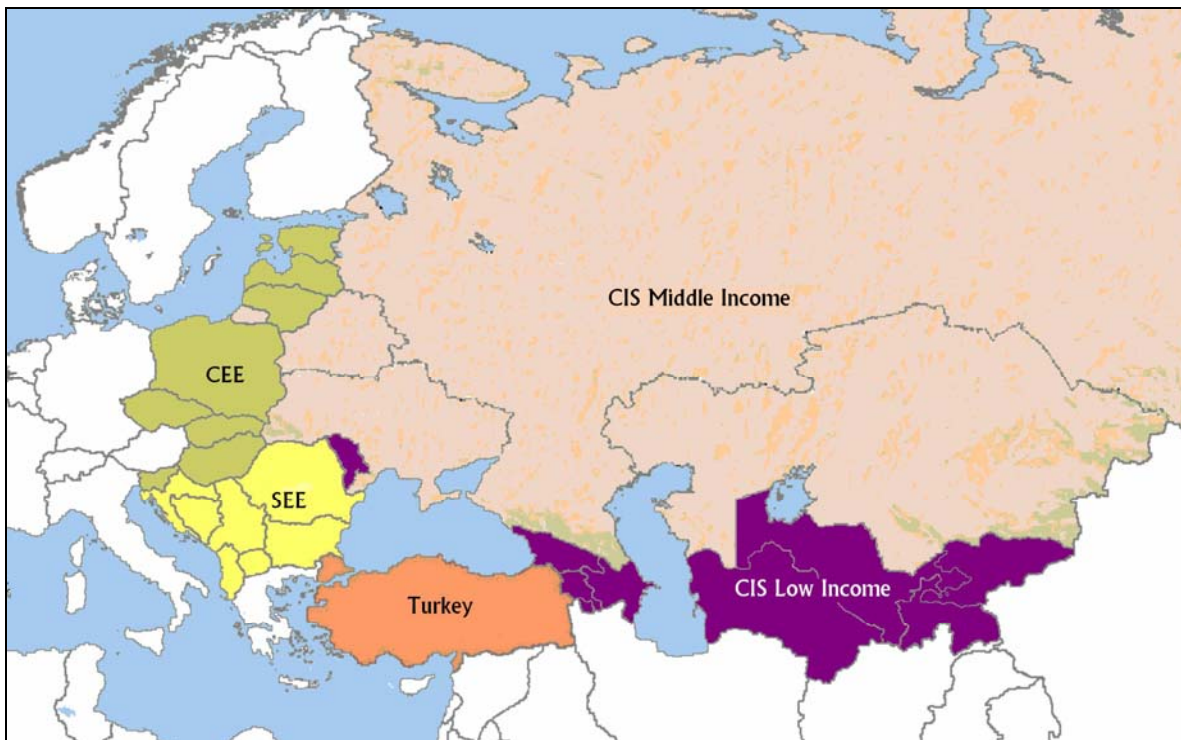


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Abbreviations

AIC	Average incremental cost
BOO / BOT	Build Operate and Own / Build Operate and Transfer
CARs	Central Asian Republics
CEE	Central and Eastern Europe
CHP	Combined Heat and Power Plant
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
CMEA	Council of Mutual Economic Assistance
DH	District Heating
EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
ECA	Europe and Central Asia
EU	European Union
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FSU	Former Soviet Union
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GWh	Million kWh
HBS	Household Budget Survey
HOB	Heat Only Boilers
IAS	International Accounting Standards
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standards
IFIs	International Financing Institutions
kWh	Kilo Watt Hour
LRMC	Long run marginal cost
LSMS	Living Standards Measurement Survey
mcm	1000 cubic meters
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
PPP	Public Private Partnerships
QFD	Quasi-Fiscal deficit
SEE	South Eastern Europe
TWh	Terra Watt Hour or Billion kWh
UCTE	Union for the Coordination of Transmission of Electricity
WTO	World Trade Organization

Note: In this report, Dollar and Cent denote US dollar and US cent.
In some of the figures, this document uses the two letter ISO code to identify the countries.

Foreword

This report presents an overview of the key developments in the energy and infrastructure sector of the countries in Europe and Central Asia region. It attempts to identify the critical factors for success in the provision of services of acceptable quality and reliability on a sustainable basis. It is being released as a departmental publication both in print and electronic versions for use as a reference material by the World Bank staff and others interested in the region.

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