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During October, ERE Board held 6 meetings which resulted in 25 decision makings, among which:

- Licensing “PARISOL” company and Albanian Power Core company in electricity production activity in Fier Region, for a 25-year term, from the photovoltaic plant with an installed capacity of 2 MW for “PARISOL” company, the exercise of whose activity must begin no later than 28.09.2025 and from the photovoltaic plant with a production capacity of 40.56 MW for Albanian Power Core company, the exercise of whose activity must begin no later than 27.03.2027; as well as of “Erseka Solar Park 1” company in electricity trading activity, for a 5-year term.
- On opening the procedure to license the companies:
 - a. “SLR ALBANIA” company in electricity production activity from the photovoltaic power plant with an installed capacity of 2MW, located in Fier district, for a period of 25 years.
 - b. “SPV BLUE 2” company in electricity production activity from “Blue 2” photovoltaic park, with an installed capacity of 50MW, located in Fier district, for a period of 25 years.
 - c. “AXPO ALBANIA” company in electricity trading activity.
 - d. “DELTA PLAN STUDIO” company in electricity production activity from photovoltaic plants with an installed capacity of 2 MW each, in the Fier Region.
 - e. “ORHER” company in electricity production activity from photovoltaic plants with an installed capacity of 2 MW each, in the Fier District.

As well as:

- f. Not opening the procedure for licensing "TEODORI" company in electricity production activity from "Zalli i Bulqizës" HPP and "Ternovo" HPP.

In this newsletter you will be informed regarding:

Licensing in electricity production activity for the month

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Extending the term of ERE Board decision for reviewing the requests of the following companies:

- For licensing in electricity production activity of the companies:
 - i. "Samasol" company;
 - ii. "Rebesol" company;
 - iii. "Zenina" company;
 - iv. "DRIBEN" company

Authorizations:

- Obtaining authorization from ERE for the change of the partner who controls the interests of "AlbEsp Trading & Consulting" company.
- Opening the procedure to review the request of "HYDROPOWERPLANT CONSTRUCTION" company for obtaining authorization from ERE for the transfer (through mortgage) of its immovable assets to guarantee the repayment of obligations to the lending party "AMERICAN INVESTMENT BANK" company

Other decisions such as:

- Approval of the joint document of the three energy regulators, ERE, ARERA and RAAEY: "Approval of an amendment in TAP Network Code and the TAP Tariff Code, proposed by TAP AG on October 29, 2024.
- Opening the procedure for reviewing some amendments to the Electricity Market Rules, approved with ERE Board Decision No. 347, dated 27.12.2022, as amended.

Other decisions on licensees or subjects that have initiated an application for licensing:

- Suspension for 90 days of ERE Board decision on the review of the request of "KOKA & ERGI ENERGY STAVEC" company for license modification in electricity production activity.
- Some amendments in ERE Board decision no. 132, dated 02.07.2024, "On licensing "GreeNNat Solar Park Ballsh" company in electricity production activity", according to the provisions of which the company must begin the exercise of electricity production activity for the installed capacity of 25 MW upon the entry into force of these amendments, as well as the exercise of the licensed activity for the full capacity of 100 MW no later than 11.01.2028.
- License renewal of "DEVOLL HYDROPOWER" company in electricity trading activity, for a period of 5 years, starting from 06.03.2025.
- Some amendments in ERE Board decision no. 9, dated 21.01.2022, "On licensing "BREÇANI R.O.S.P" company in electricity production activity from "Drita" hydroelectric power plant, with an installed capacity of 1980 kW, as amended, imposing new binding conditions for the company.

In order to be informed in more detail regarding these and other decisions, please visit our official website www.ere.gov.al in the category Decisions.

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ERE is responsible for drafting tariff and prices methodologies for regulated activities in accordance with the legislation in force and based on its analysis, proposes improvements to existing methodologies.

Regarding this area of responsibility, during October decisions were made on:

a. Approval of the sale price of electricity supplied by the Supplier of Last Resort for September 2024 of about 16.86 ALL/kWh for customers connected at the 35 kV voltage level. For more information regarding the sale price of electricity supplied by the Supplier of Last Resort, approved by ERE during 2024, please refer to ERE website, www.ere.gov.al

During October, 6 hearing sessions were held, with customers and licensees, with the aim of clarifying the details necessary to resolve the respective complaints, or to continue the licensing process of the subject in question.

By browsing our official website www.ere.gov.al , you can be informed with the latest data on the registers of licensing of subjects, guarantees of origin and updated complaints, as well as tariffs and prices of approved by ERE.

ERE has initiated reviewing proposals for amendments in the electricity market rules. We also invite you to browse the latest data of the energy market in the country, where you shall find periodic reports on the monitoring of the energy market and the activity of licensees in the power sector for the first 9 months of 2024 as well as energy market data for the first 9 months of 2024.

Trilateral MEDREG - ECRB - CEER Workshop

On 9 October 2024, in Lisbon and online, the annual Trilateral Workshop of MEDREG - Association of Mediterranean Energy Regulators was organized, hosted by the Portuguese Energy Regulator - ERSE. This workshop, which is organized in cooperation with the Council of European Energy Regulators - CEER and the Energy Community Regulatory Board - ECRB, constitutes an important platform for member associations to discuss the latest dynamics in the energy market and their impact on the end-use customer. The main topic explored was the future of energy markets, customer empowerment and the role of effective communication in promoting the energy transition.

Mr. Hasan OZKOC, Secretariat Director at MEDREG, emphasized the importance of such meetings for the exchange of knowledge between neighboring regions.

In the second session, Ms. Erjola Sadushi, Member of ERE Board during her speech as part of the panel, emphasized the key role of customer empowerment in providing flexibility to the network, an important factor in advancing the energy transition.

The workshop was followed by case studies and perspectives from other countries in the region. To follow the full activity, please visit the official website of [#medreg](https://www.medreg.org).

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Forum “Gas Dynamics in the Evolving Energy Transition Landscape”

The Forum entitled “Gas Dynamics in the Evolving Energy Transition Landscape” co-organized by the East Mediterranean Gas Forum - EMGF and the International Gas Union, as well as the IGU Council 2024 seminar focused on "The Hydrogen Economy - Egypt and the Global Clean Energy Shift", took place on 14-18 October 2024. This annual event was hosted this time by the Egyptian Gas Association in Cairo, and offers a valuable opportunity to engage with industry leaders on the critical role of gas in the energy transition as well as exploring the future of hydrogen in the clean energy transition. Participants from the Energy Regulator Authority are ERE Board Member Mr. Maksim Shuli, as well as the Director of the Natural Gas Directory, Mr. Gerti Bitri. For more information, please browse the official #IGU website <https://www.igu.org/>



Signing the Memorandum of Cooperation with the National Cybersecurity Authority

The Energy Regulator Authority and the National Cybersecurity Authority signed on 29 October 2024, a cooperation agreement for the further development and improvement of cybersecurity, an important and necessary step for the sustainability and further development of the power sector. This agreement is the starting point of a joint work in the exchange of information in real time, the prevention of cyberattacks, but also the further development of trainings and seminars for the exchange of experiences in the field of cybersecurity. ERE and NCSA aim, through this cooperation, to ensure a protected and secure energy sector.



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Signing the Memorandum of Cooperation with RAAEY

Over the years, the cooperation between the Energy Regulator Authority and RAAEY - the Regulatory Authority for Energy, Waste and Water of the Hellenic Republic, has been fruitful in the exchange of experiences and the necessary coordination of actions regarding issues of interest to each party, especially within the international bodies of the Association of Mediterranean Energy Regulators (MEDREG), the Energy Community (EC) and the Balkan Energy School (BES). This cooperation was formalized on 29 October 2024 through a Memorandum of Cooperation signed by both parties, with the common goal of guaranteeing a competitive, secure and sustainable energy market, promoting an effective market that works for all

participants and ensuring appropriate conditions for the effective and reliable operation of networks, taking into account long-term national and European Union objectives.



ERRA Working Group on Natural Gas

On 28-29 October, ERRA Working Group on Natural Gas organized their meeting at the premises of the Energy Regulator Authority. During the meeting, member countries updated participants on gas news and infrastructure, discussed the quantification of methane emissions, the reuse of gas infrastructure and the risks to the security of gas supply. Participants were also introduced to several case studies and the results of the ERRA survey on Cybersecurity in this sector.

The electricity price comparison platform (PCT) is a tool that enables to compare electricity price offers from different suppliers in the free market.



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Meeting of the Presidents of ERRA member countries, held in Tirana under the hospitality of ERE

The Energy Regulator Authority welcomed on October 28 in Tirana, the 4 - the Energy Regulators Association. In his welcoming speech, ERE Chairman Mr. Petrit Ahmeti, recalled the establishment of ERRA 24 years ago, where ERE was one of the founders, and congratulated its growth today with 23 members and 13 observers, who exchange their experiences in various activities that serve to increase the training capacities of regulators.

Cooperation and exchange of experiences facilitate the path towards achieving common goals, emphasized among others Mr. Ahmeti, on the development of this important sector and the energy transition. The topics in focus during today's meeting were network infrastructure for the absorption of renewable energy and cybersecurity in the power sector, which are very important factors. This activity was followed by various meetings and trainings of the participants in the following days.

