









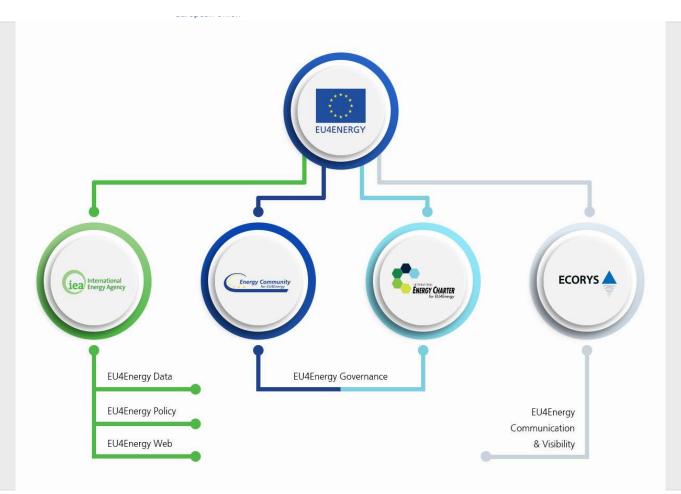


Support for Improvement of Methodology for Gas Distribution Grid Tariffs in Ukraine





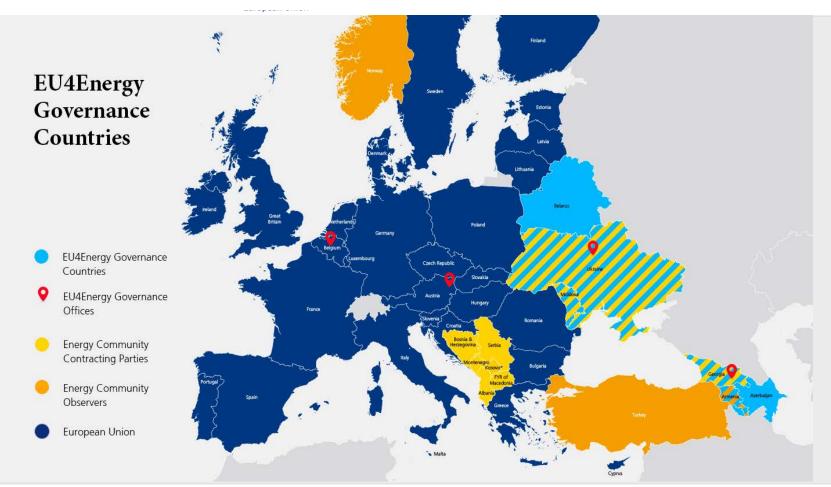
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Greater technical, institutional and administrative **capacity** in beneficiary institutions

Working Groups to follow up on reforms

Improvement of the institutional framework of the entire policy cycle and increase in the pace of adoption

High Level Policy Talks





#### The current methodology

- Currently in force: NEURC Resolution No. 236 (25.02.2016.)
- NEURC Resolution No. 389 (14.06.2018) temporary until 31.12.2019 BUT!
   not yet in force
- ECS comments on the temporary methodology:
  - ✓ Users should have separate information on the distribution and gas costs on their bills;
  - ✓ Cost elements to be flexible enough to cover all core activities;
  - ✓ Clearer provisions for the determination of profit in the AR are needed (based on value of RAB and using WACC?);
  - ✓ Combination of booked/used capacity + energy based element recommended.





## **Project objectives**

- Improved methodology for the determination of tariffs for natural gas
  distribution → technical assistance to NEURC in developing an improved
  methodology compliant with provisions of Directive 2009/73/EC and aligned
  with national legislation;
- 2. Excel based model illustrating its application i.e. the model shall allow for calculation of final distribution tariffs in line with the methodology;
- 3. Identify legal and technical obstacles for implementation of proposed draft methodology and recommend actions towards their removal.







### Main elements of the future methodology

- 1. Rules for calculation of the **allowed revenue** for distribution service;
- 2. Definition of **tariff elements** for which the tariffs shall be calculated;
- 3. Rules for allocation of allowed revenue to tariff elements;
- 4. Rules for **calculation and application** of final distribution tariffs and distribution charges;
- 5. Rules for data collection by NEURC and data submission by DSOs;
- 6. Rules for **reconciliation / adjustment of revenue** across the regulatory periods.





#### Issues to consider in the future methodology

- Technical characteristics of the distribution networks in Ukraine (e.g. length, pressure, age) and metering opportunities for DSOs;
- Typical distribution **network use** i.e. behavior of network users (continuity, peaks, categories of users etc.);
- Status of accounting unbundling (eligible & non-eligible costs);
- Efficiency of costs for providing distribution service, including levels of distribution losses;
- Investment needs of DSOs in Ukraine
- Definition of key regulatory principles (regulatory period, tariff period, incentive mechanism, profit sharing)





### **Working method**



Screening the current legislations & methodology;



Examining financial data (costs, net book value of assets, amortization, depreciation, planned investments) and technical data (consumer categories, load profiles etc.);



Developing the proposed methodology, excel tool and action plan;



Finalization, approval and communication to NEURC (end 2018).















