

# **Armenia's new energy supporting energy storage policy**



## Overview

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What is the energy security ensuring concept of Armenia?

On 23 October 2013, the President adopted the Energy Security Ensuring Concept of the Republic of Armenia, according to which Armenia would continue use of the existing nuclear unit until commissioning of a new one. On 31 July 2014, the Government Decree No. 836-N, Measures of the Concept of the Energy Security Schedule for 2014–2020, was adopted.

What is the law on energy in Armenia?

On 7 March 2001, the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia adopted the Law on Energy of the Republic of Armenia. According to this law, the main principle of the Government's policy on the energy sector is the separation of economic activity, state management and regulation functions.

What are the options for development of the energy sector in Armenia?

During the study, two options for the development of the energy sector of Armenia were considered: The use of both TPPs and NPPs. It was decided that the second option for development of the energy sector was preferable, taking into account the criteria of energy safety and energy independence, as well as environmental and social considerations.

When was the energy security schedule adopted in Armenia?

On 31 July 2014, the Government Decree No. 836-N, Measures of the Concept of the Energy Security Schedule for 2014–2020, was adopted. On 10 December 2015, the Government Session No. 54 Protocol Decision, Point 13, Long term (up to 2036) Development Pathways for the Armenian Energy Sector, was adopted.

What is the new law on nuclear energy in Armenia?

The new Law on Energy of the Republic of Armenia, which entered into force on 7 March 2001, and replaced the previous law. The Law on Safe Use of

Nuclear Energy for Peaceful Purposes, which entered into force on 1 February 1999. Some amendments and additions were implemented in this law.

What percentage of Armenia's Energy is renewable?

Renewable energy resources, including hydro, represented 7.1% of Armenia's energy mix in 2020. Almost one-third of the country's electricity generation (30% in 2021) came from renewable sources. Forming the foundation of Armenia's renewable energy system as of 6 January 2022 were 189 small, private HPPs (under 30 MW), mostly constructed since 2007.

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