UNITED NATIONS Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific 53 member States

9 associate members

South and **South-West Asia**

Afghanistan Bangladesh

Bhutan India

Iran

Maldives

Nepal

Pakistan

Sri Lanka

Turkey

North and **Central Asia**

Armenia

Kazakhstan

Tajikistan

Azerbaijan Georgia

Kyrgyzstan

Turkmenistan Uzbekistan

East and North-East Asia

China Japan **DPRK**

Republic of Korea

Mongolia

Russian Federation

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Thailand

Timor-Leste

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Australia

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Micronesia

Nauru

New Zealand

Palau

Papua New

Guinea

Samoa

Solomon Island

Tonga

Tuvalu

Vanuatu



ESCAP energy activities in the CAREC region

- UN Sustainable Energy For All initiative
- UNECE/UNESCAP/UNEP: International Forum: Energy for Sustainable Development
- The UN Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (SPECA): Project Working Group on Water and Energy
- Asian and Pacific Energy Forum 2013:
 Ministerial Declaration and Plan of Action 2014-2018
- Asian Energy Highway Concept
- Online Database on Energy Sector Legal Frameworks in Central Asia (<u>www.asiapacificenergy.org</u>)
- Water-Food-Energy Nexus



The UN Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (SPECA)

Project Working Group on Water and Energy Recourses

Afghanistan

Azerbaijan

Kazakhstan

Kyrgyzstan

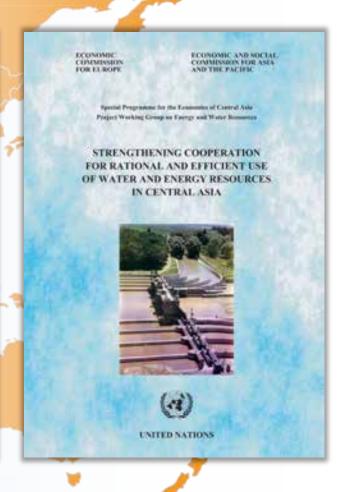
Tajikistan

Turkmenistan

Uzbekistan

SPECA was established in 1998 by the presidents of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. Azerbaijan joined it in 2002 and Afghanistan in 2005. It is supported jointly by the UNECE and UNESCAP.

The PWG on Water and Energy, among others, worked out the Cooperation Strategy for the Rational and Efficient use of Energy and Water Resources of Central Asia and prepared diagnostic reports on the energy and water resources of Central Asia. Presently it works on a number of project on energy and water cooperation incl. one on dam safety for Central Asia.





APEF: The first Asia-Pacific ministeriallevel energy forum convened under the auspices of the United Nations









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APEF Ministerial Declaration and Plan of Action 2014-2018

"Establishment of a platform for facilitating continuous dialogue and cooperation among ESCAP member and associate member States on enhanced energy security and the sustainable use of energy"



The Plan of Action 2014 – 2018 comprises areas of collaboration for member countries in Asia and the Pacific, as well as more specific priorities for North and Central Asia:

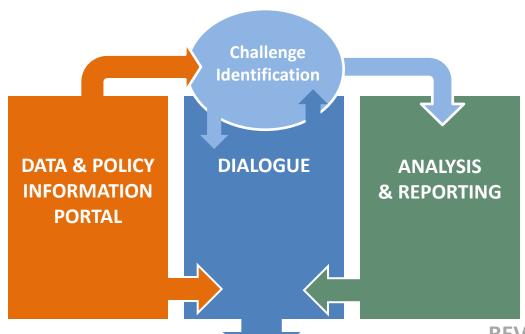
- Creation of joint information resources and knowledge sharing systems in the field of energy sector development.
- Strengthening existing cooperation mechanisms on energy among member
 States in North and Central Asia in order to better coordinate national energy policies and realize the full potential of subregional cooperation in the area of energy security and sustainable use of energy for the benefit of all participating member States.
- Encouraging the development and implementation of joint hydropower projects for electricity generation to facilitate grid connectivity and trade in energy.
- Strengthening subregional and inter-regional cooperation towards developing harmonized cross-border energy infrastructure, and supporting the continuation of bilateral and regional consultations on this matter.











REVIEW & ASSESSMENT

POLICY FORMULATION
AND IMPLEMENTATION



Asian Energy Highway (AEH) Integrated Asian Power Grids and Electricity Markets

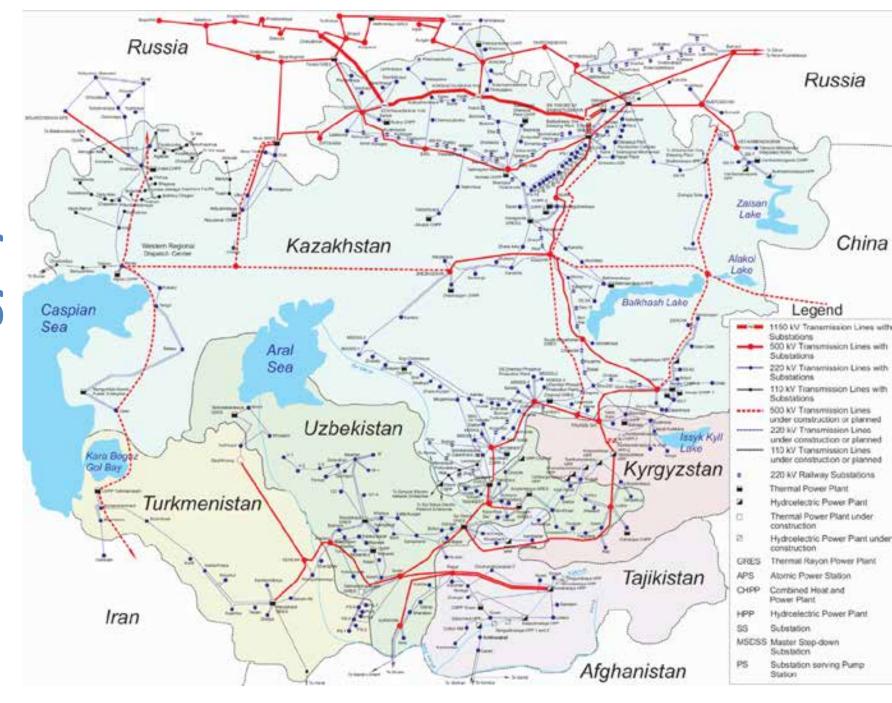
Game Changer – Power Transmission

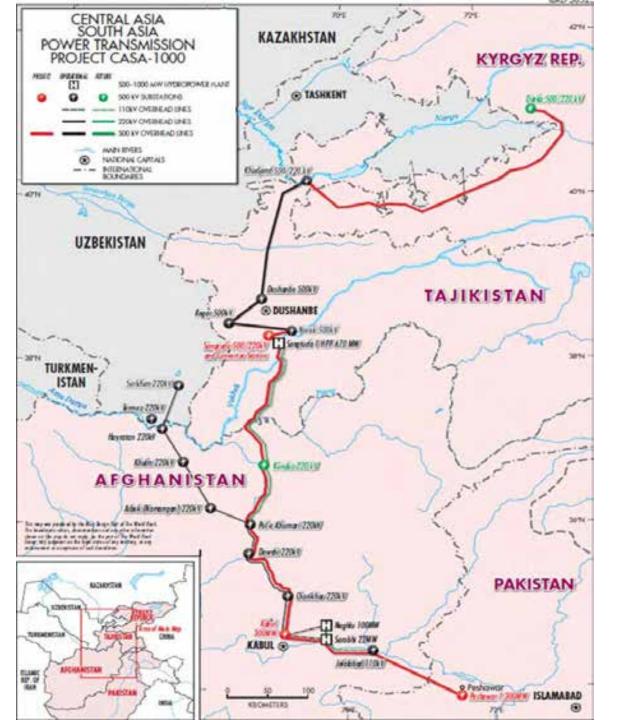
Advancements in electricity transmission technology are increasing the capacity for long-distance transportation of power, improving both access to energy resources and opportunities for trade

Concept

- Promote regional power planning to enable efficient allocation of resources
- Promote interconnections of electricity infrastructure and harmonization between institutions to enhance trading opportunities
- Enhance resource security through diversification of power supply and a dynamic capacity to adjust to developments in generation sourcing
- Enable a capacity for regional load balancing and smart metering, thereby increasing efficiencies in resource consumption
- Promote competitive trading power trading and pooling policies
- regional electricity marketplace

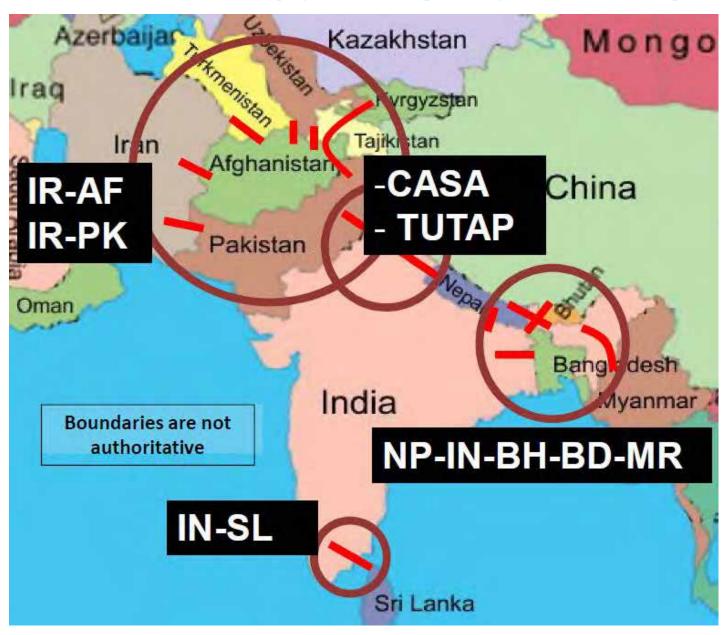






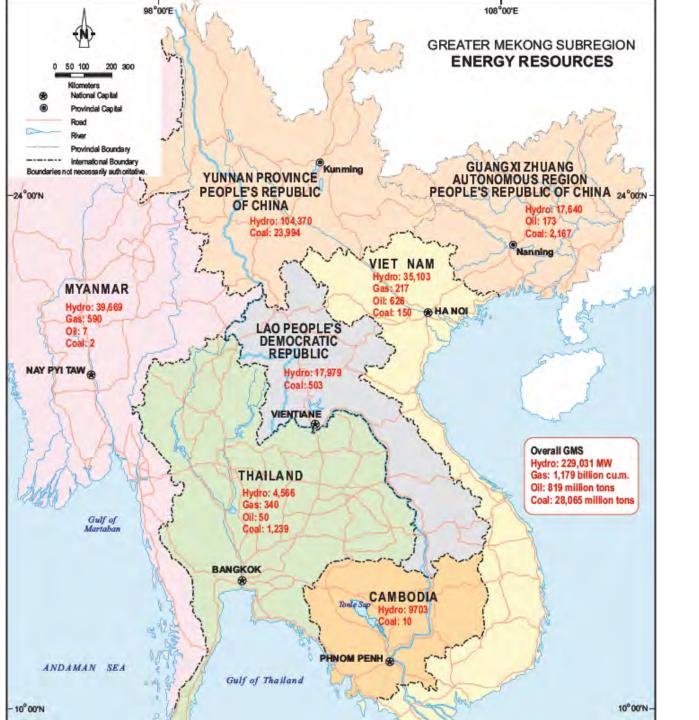
CASA 1000: Flagship Project of Central Asia-South Asia Regional **Electricity Market** (CASAREM)

SAARC Energy Ring's power grid



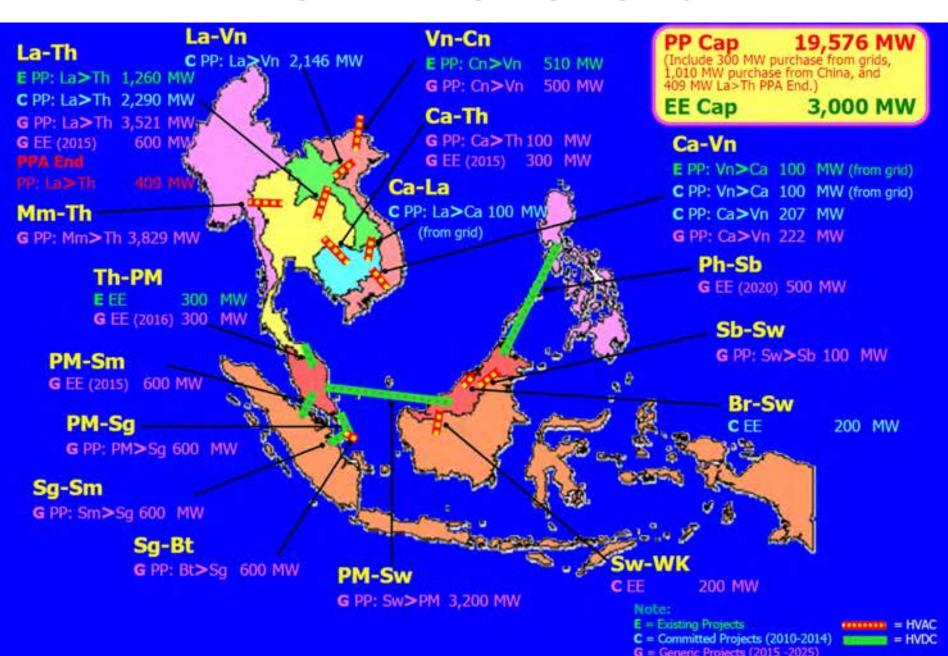
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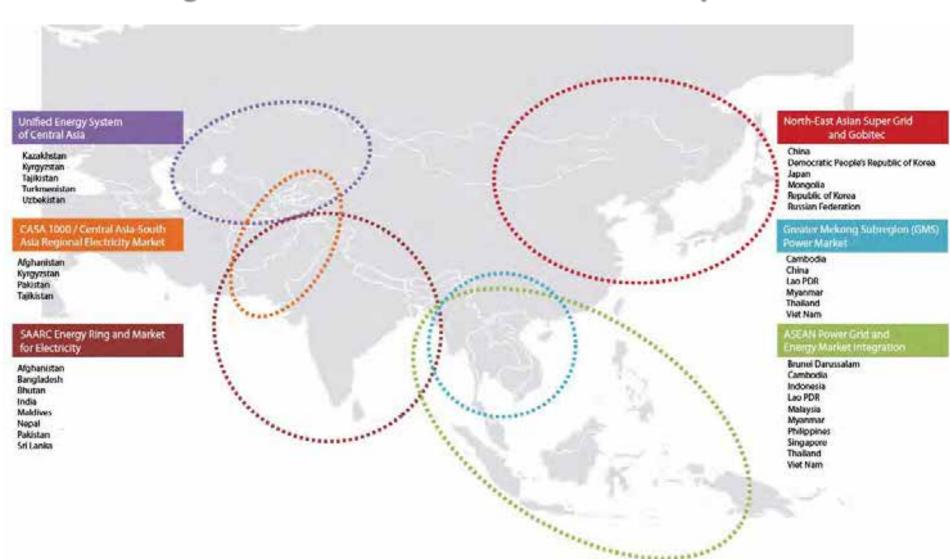
Greater Mekong Subregion Power Market

ASEAN Power Grid



Asian Energy Highway

Integrated Asian Power Grids and Electricity Markets



AEH Benefits

Economic

- Improved energy efficiencies in power production and trade through enhanced levels of regional integration.
- Optimisation of resource allocation between supply and demand centres, opening up trading opportunities and resource security alternatives.

Social

- Improved energy access through broader coverage and trading
- Enhanced security through diversification of sourcing

Environmental

- Integrated energy planning improves the capacity to reduce generation excesses and losses by supporting through enhanced regional load management capabilities.
- Improved prospects for injection of renewable energy technologies.



AEH - Moving Forward

- Promote intergovernmental energy cooperation and planning as a means to holistically deliver both near and long-term regional energy security objectives.
- Develop forums for greater harmonization between regional electricity industry operators (both institutional and technical) in order to enhance integration opportunities.
- Encourage and foster the development of a regional energy power pooling market in order to enhance competitive trading opportunities within the region, to deliver both affordable and efficient energy resource consumption.
- Develop studies that identifies the socio-economic and environmental benefits of the concept with a specific focus on quantifying the economic benefits to strengthen the incentives for political commitment.



WATER - ENERGY - FOOD Nexus

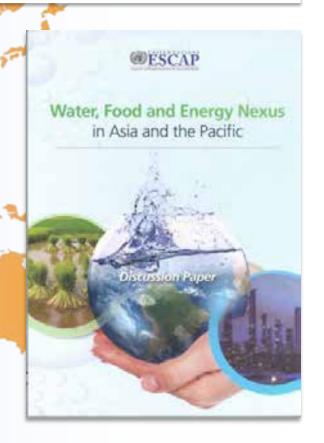
The NEXUS approach recognizes interconnectedness of water, energy, and food across space and time. Its objectives are:

- Improve energy, water, and food security
- Address externality across sectors, and decision-making at the nexus
- Support transition to sustainability

Projections for 2050 with 9.2 billion people:

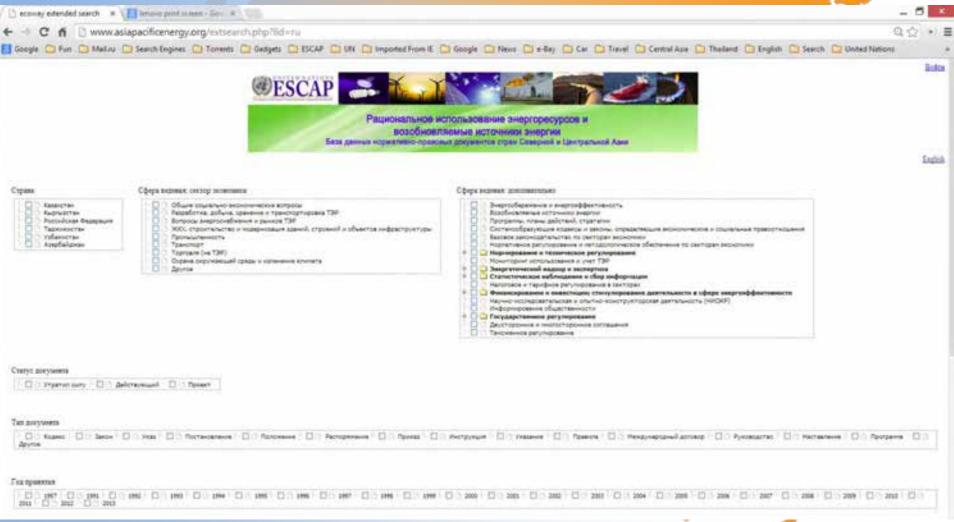
- 70% increase in agricultural demand for food by 2050
- 40% energy demand increase by 2050
- But by 2030: confronting water supply shortage of ~ 40%
- Asia Nexus Dialogue Workshop, 17-19 March 2014
 Bangkok, Thailand
- Workshop on Water Food Energy interconnections in Central Asia, November 2014, Almaty





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