Building up on the success of the training programmes held at the Energy Charter Secretariat in 2013 and early 2014, this training will explore the inter-related topics of investment protection strategies, sustainability and energy security in a rapidly changing world. With a special focus on Kazakhstan and Central Asia, this event takes place within the framework of cooperation between the Energy Charter Secretariat and KAZENERGY. The programme aims to explore approaches towards energy security on the one hand, and sustainability & efficiency on the other, in relation to Kazakhstan and the wider-Central Asian region. Consideration of appropriate long term energy policy objectives for Kazakhstan will also be taken into account as a backdrop to the discussions on energy security and sustainability. Further, investment protection strategies and scope for Kazakh energy investments in third countries will likewise feature prominently during this training programme.

The programme has been designed specifically to help the younger generation of energy practitioners better understand how processes of energy security and investment protection work in practice, as applied in real world experience. In this context, participants will receive in-depth exposure as to how ‘good governance practices’ can help address the prevailing challenges facing Kazakhstan and the region today. The programme also seeks to build awareness of regional energy challenges in the context of common rules for global energy governance underscored by the Energy Charter Treaty. Upon completion of the programme, participants will benefit from a much more complete picture of how the rules framework for international energy cooperation continues to adjust to new, highly fluid developments. Completion of the programme will allow participants to strengthen their capacity in dealing with many of the present day energy challenges at the policy level and improve energy strategy. Ultimately, participation in the course will help the decision makers of tomorrow develop the relevant know-how in order to promote an innovative, secure and sustainable future for global energy.

Programme Features

- A sequence of core "knowledge streaming" learning modules offered over three days
- Half-day-long, pre-training workshop/information session on the Energy Charter and its activities (on June 10)
- Simulation exercise modelling real-life negotiations on the development of a national energy strategy within the context of a ‘stakeholders dialogue’.
- Special focus on investment protection, energy security, governance and sustainability in Kazakhstan and the wider-Central Asian region
- Instruction and top level expertise from up to a dozen international energy specialists
- International participants from Kazakhstan and the wider Energy Charter constituency
- Dynamic and interactive professional learning environment based on the same methodologies of the Energy Charter Brussels training programmes
- Strong networking opportunities with energy specialists from Kazakhstan and the neighbouring countries, as well as international organisations, government, industry, energy experts, NGOs etc.

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Programme Highlights

Wednesday, 11 June 2014
- Knowledge Stream I: Turning the energy challenge into sustainability: the marriage of innovation, technology and finance in global energy
- Knowledge Stream II: Coordinating environmental and energy policies in order to create an integrated vision of state, energy and environment
- Group seminar: Model negotiation exercise
- Gala dinner: With guest speaker

Thursday, 12 June 2014
- Knowledge Stream III: The challenge of achieving energy security in a rapidly changing global energy landscape
- Knowledge Stream IV: Mapping global governance in a multi-objective and multi-institutional energy context
- Group seminar: Full negotiation simulation
- Team-building dinner: With live music

Friday, 13 June 2014
- Knowledge Stream V: Investment protection in energy – Between private and public enforcement
- Knowledge Stream VI: What scope for expansion of Kazakh energy investments in third countries within the context of prevailing regulatory environments
- Awards ceremony: Cocktail reception

Who Should Attend
- Participants are invited from the spheres of government and the wider energy industry
- Participants should have some relevant background in professional fields such as, but not exclusively, energy, law, economics, international government relations, investment, strategy, finance, etc.
- The programme caters to a small group of participants, most of whom will come from Central Asia, so please register your interest early. Participants with (at least a working level of) Russian language skills will be in an advantageous position
- The programme is offered to nationals of Energy Charter members and observers. Non-Energy Charter nationals are welcome to submit an expression of interest in participation

Registration and payment
Applications to participate in this programme should be received prior to 2 June 2014. In order to apply, please complete a registration form, including payment details, which can be downloaded here: http://www.encharter.org/index.php?id=662&L=0

Completed registrations forms, or requests for further information, should be sent by email to training.course@encharter.org or by fax: +32-2-775-98-01

The training programme fee is 2 850 EUR per participant, which covers the cost of all deliverable learning modules during the three days, including all course materials, orientation sessions, receptions, lunches, coffee breaks and evening receptions. It is envisaged that participants will cover the cost of their accommodation and travel to Kazakhstan. Participants nominated for the programme by KAZENERGY will be exempt from the payment.