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Organization



The Energy Community is an international organisation which brings together the EU and its neighbours to create an integrated pan-European energy market. It unites 9 Contracting Parties from the Western Balkans and Eastern Europe.

Background

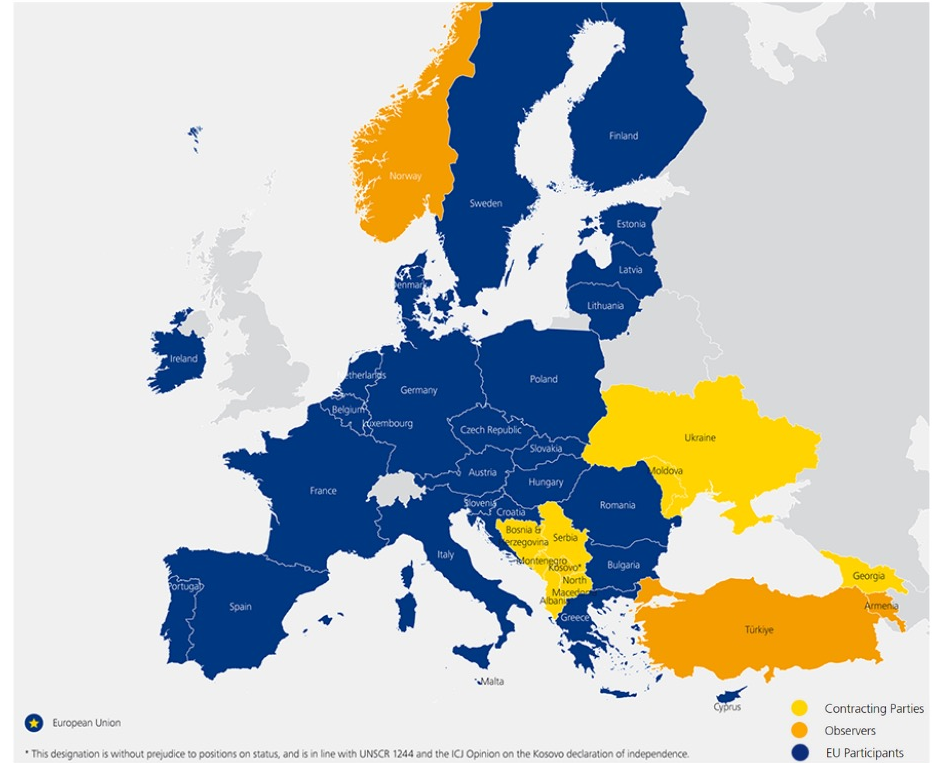


The organisation was founded by the Treaty establishing the Energy Community signed in October 2005 in Athens, Greece, in force since July 2006.

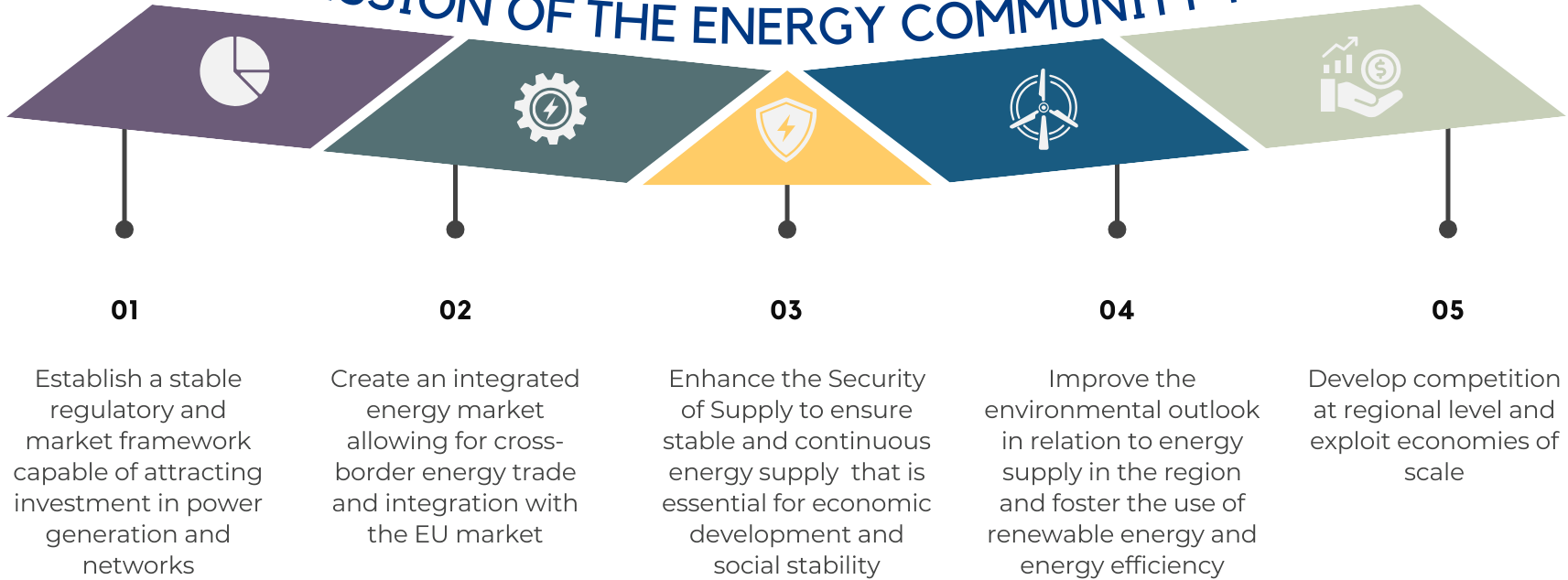
Key Objective



Key objective is to extend the EU internal energy market rules and principles to countries in South East Europe, the Black Sea region and beyond on the basis of a legally binding framework.



THE MISSION OF THE ENERGY COMMUNITY TREATY





1. Establish a national electricity GO registry in each domain:

- GOs internationally transferrable among the Energy Community domains.
- Fulfills EECS, RED I&II, CEN requirements now and in the future.
- System extendable to all energy sources and energy carriers (RED II).



2. Training and knowledge transfer:

- Train all competent bodies as proficient registry users before go-live
- Familiarize other users of the system (future Account Holders)
- System extendable to all energy sources and energy carriers (RED II).
- Knowledge transfer beyond what is strictly in the scope of the project.
 - GOs, residual mix, disclosure, markets, EECS DP



3. Continuation framework after project:

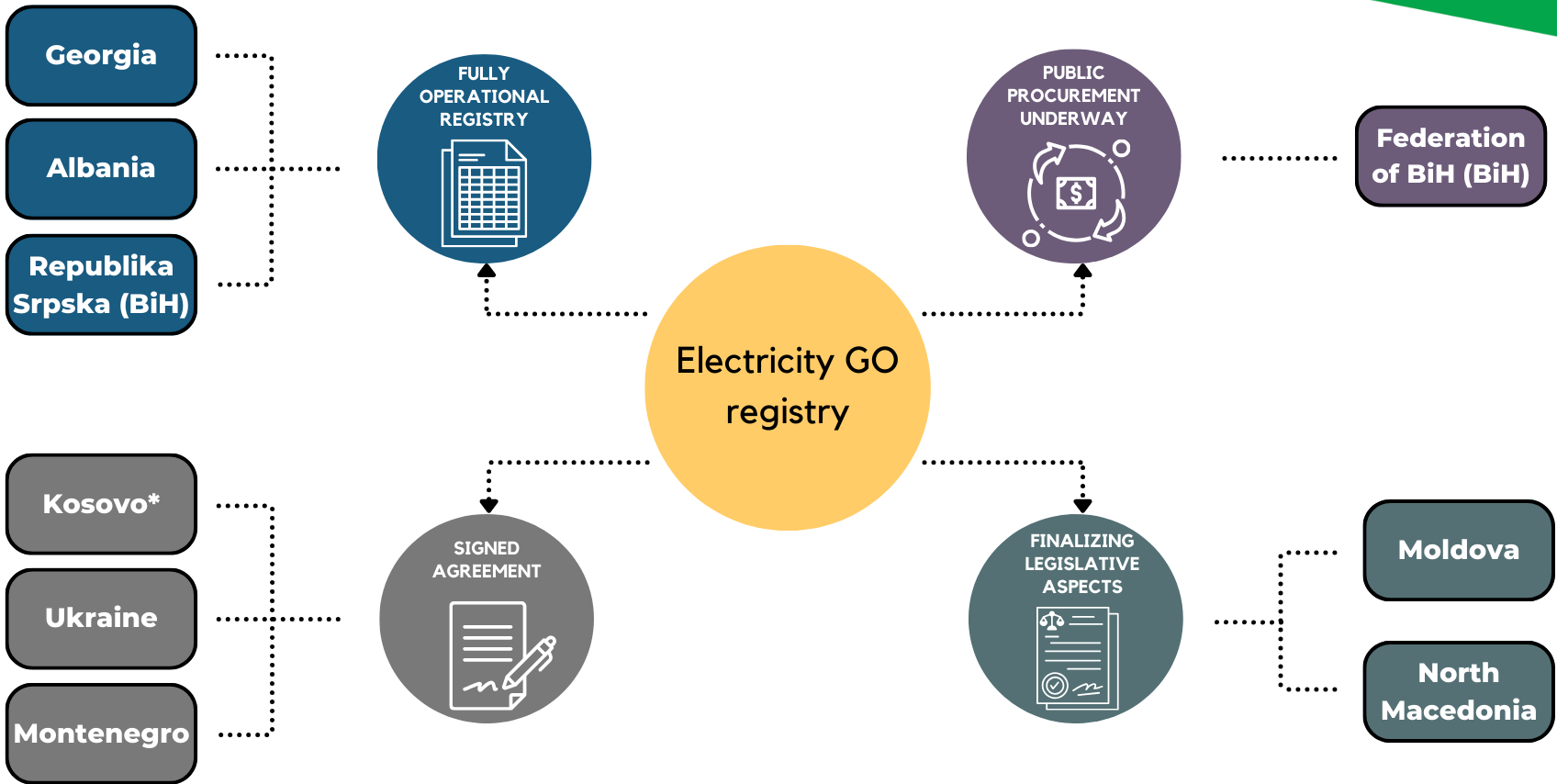
- Developed national registries will be kept ready until June 2023
- Direct agreement made available for competent bodies and ready for signing



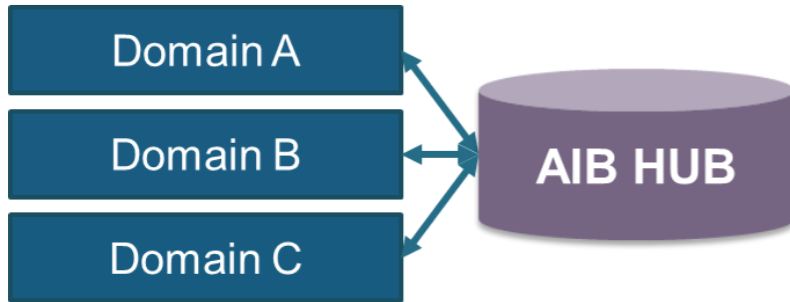
4. Prepare for AIB Membership:

- Compatibility and hub connection maintenance guarantee
- Enables a stepwise approach for international transfers

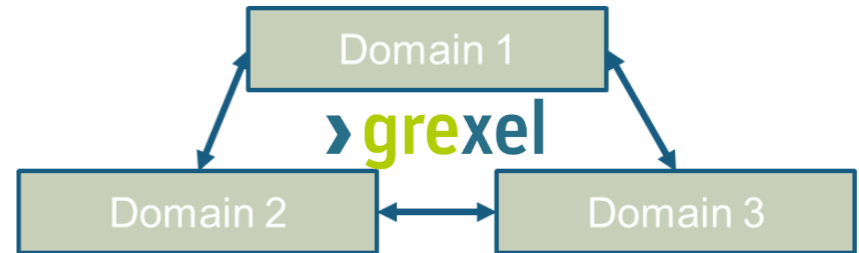
REGIONAL PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION STATUS



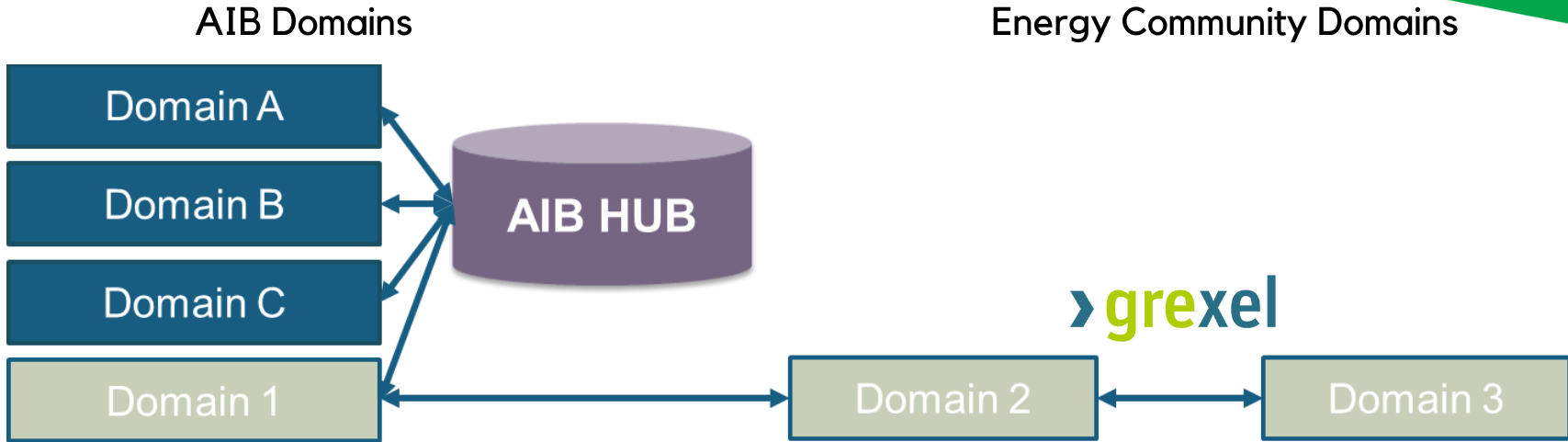
AIB Domains



Energy Community Domains



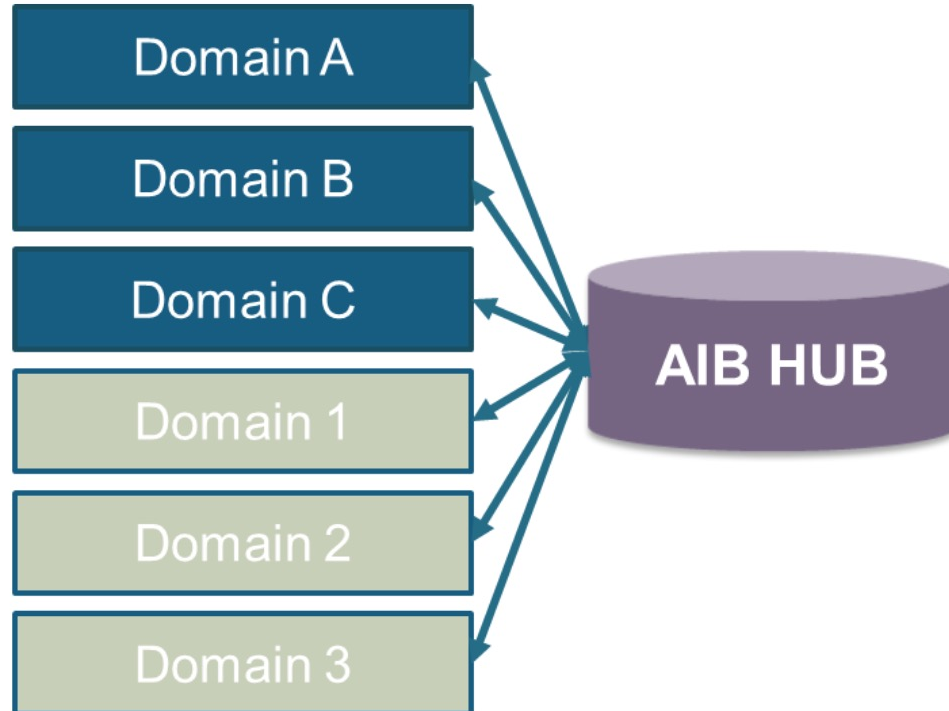
- EnC GOs technically compatible with EECS GOs, but the legal environment and the procedural quality of EnC domains has not been audited.
- EnC domains take EECS Rules as basis of the quality standard of the system, but it is not a requirement for Scheme membership.
- EnC GOs freely transferrable across EnC domains.
- Possible transfer restrictions applied bilaterally.



- GOs can be issued in Domain 1 for either EECS or EnC according to rules in EECS Domain Protocol.
- Choice of Scheme may be made at Account Holder or even at Production Device level.
- Account Holders, which are participants of both schemes, may transfer both types of GOs.

ENERGY COMMUNITY REGIONAL SYSTEM

**STAGE 3: ALL ENERGY COMMUNITY HAVE JOINED
THE EECS ELECTRICITY SCHEME GROUP**



Article 19

Guarantees of origin for energy from renewable sources

11. Member States shall not recognise guarantees of origins issued by a third country except where the Union has concluded an agreement with that third country on mutual recognition of guarantees of origin issued in the Union and compatible guarantees of origin systems established in that third country, and only where there is direct import or export of energy.

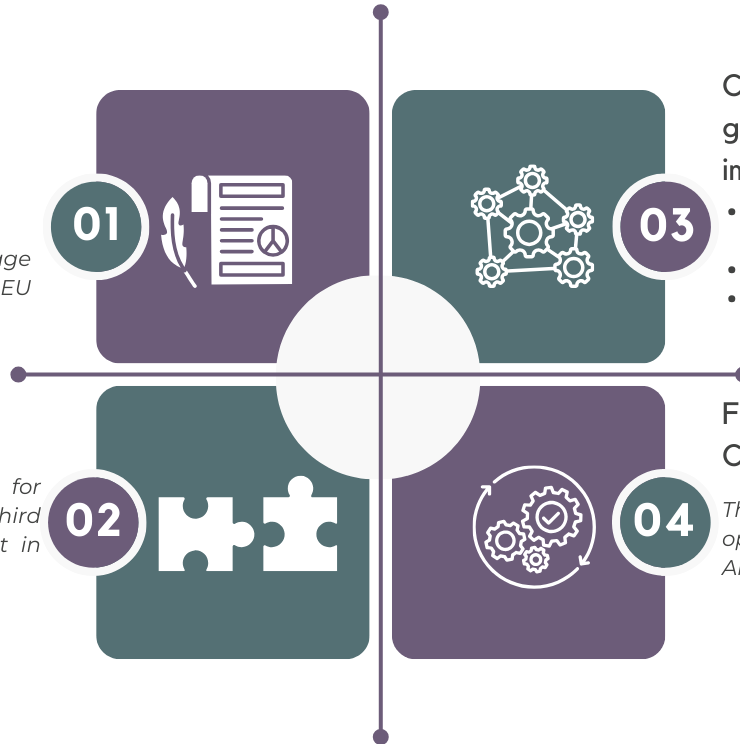
”ROADMAP FOR RECOGNIZING GOs ISSUED BY ENERGY COMMUNITY CONTRACTING PARTIES WITHIN THE EU”

Criteria linked to the “Wider policy background”

- full implementation of REDII
- meeting 2030 climate and energy targets
- transposition of Electricity Integration Package
- progress towards market coupling with the EU

Substantive Criteria

Regulatory and institutional parameters for compatibility of the system of GOs in third countries with that of the Union as set out in Article 19 of RED II



Criteria related to systems’ governance and its effective implementation in practice:

- governance, market monitoring and enforcement criteria
- legal/administrative criteria
- system management

Functioning of the Energy Community regional system

The regional system should be fully operational and enforceable, as set out in Article 19(11) of RED II

POSSIBLE NEXT STEPS

1

- Decision adoption by EnC - MC 2024/2025
 - The Energy Community Ministerial Council officially adopts the Decision on the Roadmap

2

- Fulfilment of the criteria set out in the Roadmap
 - CP meets all the criteria outlined in the Roadmap
 - The European Commission evaluates the fulfillment of criteria through an individualized approach

3

- Official Recognition of GOs
 - CP is added to the Annex of the EnC-MC Decision enabling recognition of GOs in the EU

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- Systematic monitoring on the status of compliance
 - The European Commission monitors on a regular basis the compliance status of the CP with all the required criteria and standards
 - Should a CP no longer adhere to EU rules and standards, it will be excluded from the Annex and prohibited from trading GOs within the EU