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Panel: II

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CONCLUSIONS

- **Positive tendencies**

- RES/EE are prioritized in all EaP countries irrespective of availability of mineral resources
- Adequate legal framework and agencies have been created
- In all countries RES/EE projects are ongoing/planned supported by international donor organizations
- Action plans are in place towards increasing RES in energy mix in near and far perspectives



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- **Problems observed**

- In spite of implemented measures energy intensity is still very high
- High losses in energy distribution systems, cross subsidizing
- Insufficient R&D funding
- Integrated approach in setting up RES/EE programs
- Additional policy measures to stimulate RES/EE (i.e. more attractive tariff setting, decentralization, “smart grid”, etc.)
- Human resources development and adequate education as important preconditions for increasing EE/RES
- Need for more active awareness raising of population on EE measures
- Additional incentives for industry/SMEs for EE measures





Thank you for attention!