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Major Challenges in promoting Cross Border Electricity Connectivity

- * Political discrepancies among some countries of the region*
- * Dependence of importing countries on external power supply*
- * The necessity to accord national energy and power strategies and plans with other countries*
- * Different technical standards, energy\power legislation and market structures in power industries of the countries*
- * Long distances, difficult routes and high cost for Interstate transmission lines*
- * Financing and justification of costly and multi-stakeholder Interstate transmission lines projects*

Concrete Examples and Good practices in addressing the challenges

- * Russia-Mongolia electric power trading (since 1979)*
- * Russia-China electric power trading (since 1996)*

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Role of regional cooperation in addressing the challenges.

*SAARC (1985) → Technical committee on energy (2000) → Intergovernmental framework agreement on Energy Cooperation (2014)

*ASEAN (1967) → HAPUA (Heads of ASEAN Power Utilities/Authorities) (1981)

*ECOWAS (1975) → WAPP (2000) → Regional Electricity Regulatory Authority (2008)

What should be the main building blocks in developing the regional roadmap.

*Bilateral projects supported by

*intergovernmental commissions on economic and energy cooperation

*non-governmental stakeholders (power companies, etc.)

*Multilateral projects supported by

*governments

*non-governmental stakeholders (power companies, etc.)

THANK YOU!

