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## **Press release**

### **ERO discusses the energy situation in the country with representatives of KfW**

Today, representatives of the Energy Regulatory Office (ERO) met with representatives of the German Development Bank (KfW), Mr. René Eschemann, head of the KfW office in Kosovo and his deputy Ms. Ganimete Huruglica, in view of informing on overall situation of the energy sector in the country, in particular with the recent developments in the sector.

Representatives of KfW were interested for the position of the Regulatory, especially regarding the financial situation of the Transmission System Operator (KOSTT), following the Court's decision not recognising losses caused by the supply in the north of the country.

The Acting Head of the ERO Board, Mr. Arsim Janova, explained to KfW representatives that after the court decision, for energy losses in the north of the country, ERO will not be able to recognise the losses caused in the north as reasonable losses. Regarding this decision, Mr. Janova stated that ERO is aware of the financial consequences and therefore has notified the highest institutions of the country in order to find a solution which would not damage the financial stability of the operators and energy system within the country.



Also KfW's representatives have expressed their concern on financial sustainability of the operators, since, besides being the main factor for sustainable electricity supplying for citizens, is also an indicator of the success of many projects supported by donors and international financial institutions such as KfW.

Mr. Janova stressed the big importance of the donor's support for the energy sector and in particular the KfW assistance provided to KOSTT, by expressing confidence that the country's institutions will find solutions to address the issue of losses and overcome the difficulties that the sector is encountering.