

## President of Turkmenistan receives Director General of Belgian ENEX Process Engineering

President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov received Koen Minne, Director General of Belgian ENEX process engineering

Thanking for the opportunity of a personal meeting the businessman congratulated the Turkmen leader on brilliant success of the international high level conference on global energy security. Noting that he considered it great honour to participate in such a large-scale forum Mr. Koen Minne said that this forum vividly evidenced the exceptional urgency of the Turkmen leader's initiative in under modern circumstances when reliable transit and export of energy was an essential factor of sustainable development.

Noting that the key goal of the Ashgabat conference was to promote the international dialogue to build the principal, universal model of the relations on global energy market the President reaffirmed Turkmenistan's adherence to constructive collaboration in this strategic sector with the European partners in particular. In this regard the Turkmen leader highly appreciated the significance of the trade agreement between Turkmenistan and the European Union approved by the European Parliament and providing the new opportunities to intensify effective business contacts.

During the meeting Mr. Koen Minne reported on the progress in implementing the projects, presented the ENEX's proposals on further fuel and energy cooperation and application of energy saving technologies in industry. The President and his guest were unanimous that the natural and climatic conditions of Turkmenistan conducive to the wide use of the renewable energy sources – the solar and wind energy promote developing these activities. The very promising fields of cooperation included processing industry, telecommunications, etc.

Commenting on the report Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov said implementing the policy of diversifying the national economy including technology modernization of production infrastructure Turkmenistan was interested in attracting technical advances and innovative technologies and stood ready to consider the Belgian partners' proposals.

In conclusion the businessman expressed sincere gratitude to the Turkmen leader for the opportunity to discuss the aspects of cooperation during the personal meeting and emphasize that the ENEX Company would spare no efforts to justify the trust granted.