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- Addresses the reshaping of interstate energy relations in terms of patterns of cooperation and conflict;
- Assesses opportunities in investment and changing patterns of resource trade;
- Formulates strategic recommendations and scenarios regarding climate and energy-related vulnerabilities and dependencies in the global energy transition.

ADDED VALUE

- Carries out geographically-based reviews on the multi-speed energy transition (country-by-country and/or region-by-region);
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  - Investment;
  - Trade surplus/deficit related to hydrocarbons, consumption, and reserves;
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