

Albania: Report on Devoll hydropower project

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Devoll hydropower project hit a major milestone on 15 April, as the filling of Banja accumulation started. Speaking at the ceremony held to celebrate the completion of the accumulation filling, Albanian Minister of Energy and Industry Damian Gjicknuri said that this project will guarantee the future of Albanian electricity production.

Minister Gjicknuri reminded that after the completion of Banja dam and filling of the reservoir, this project envisages the construction of another dam and accumulation, adding that he believes that Norwegian Statkraft will complete the project on time. Banja accumulation should be 16 kilometers long and should hold about 391 billion liters of water. HPP Banja will be ready for commercial operation as soon as the filling of the reservoir is completed and trial operation is successfully performed.

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