Appendix A Summary of the qualitative analysis*

Year of publication	List of documents	Mentioned normative values, instruments	Mentioned instruments of conditionality
2006	ENP Action Plan	Political document emphasizes the strategic objectives of the cooperation between sides. Among the normative values mentioned are strengthening democracy, including fair and transparent electoral process.	The document does not provide exact “sticks” but puts at the beginning that any breach of the norms set in the Action Plan will result in immediate suspension of its implementation.
2007	ENPI Country strategy Paper 2007-2013	The paper recalls Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (1999) which stated strengthening the stability and effectiveness of institutions guaranteeing democracy, the protection of human rights, the media and fundamental freedoms are mentioned as values to be supported by the EU.	This text does not explicitly focus on normative objectives/goals and do not contain signs of conditionality.
2007	National Indicative Program 2007-2010	It prioritizes the main areas of cooperation. The strongest emphasis is placed on human rights: "human rights and fundamental rights ... will remain a key priority, taking into account the objective of democratization in Azerbaijan".	The controversial principle of conditionality is completely absent from the text, as in previous documents.

* The full analysis is provided in the chapter 4 .7 of the thesis

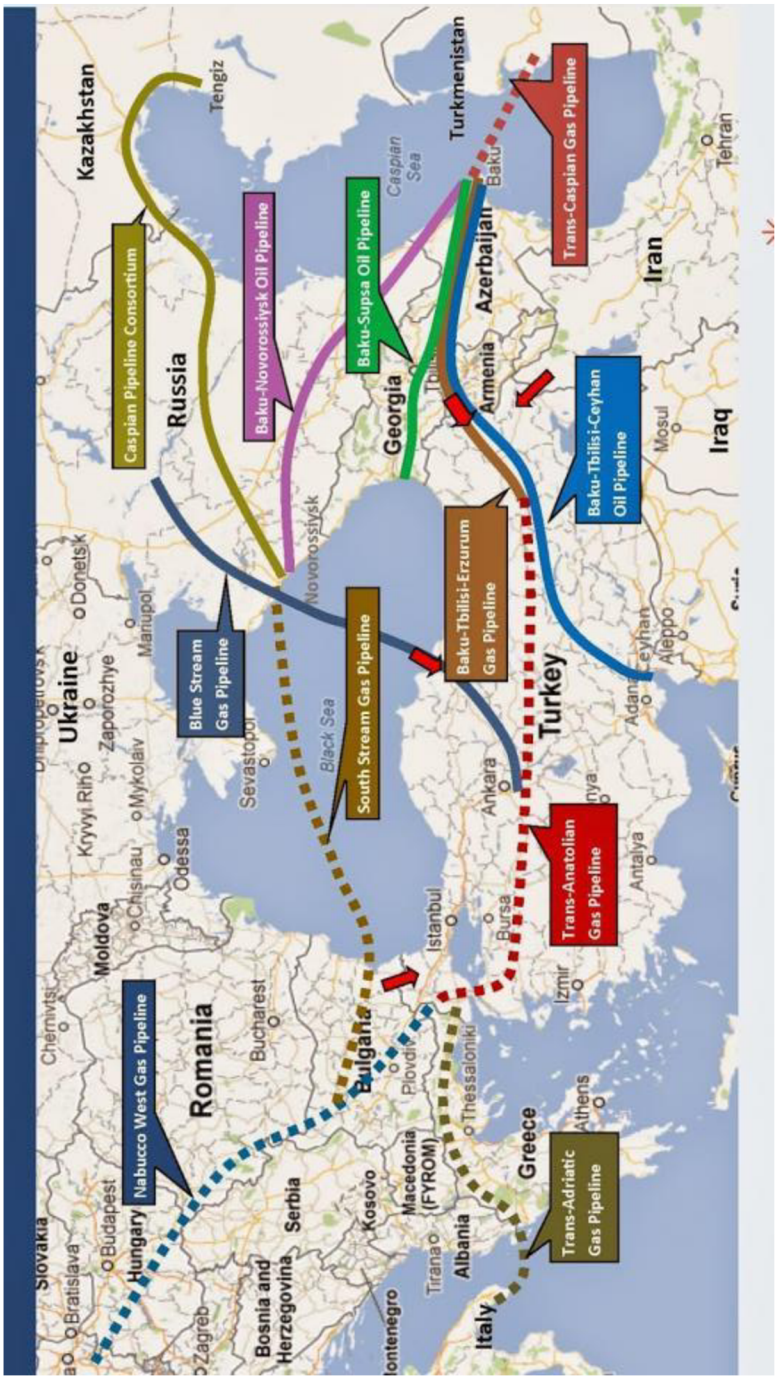
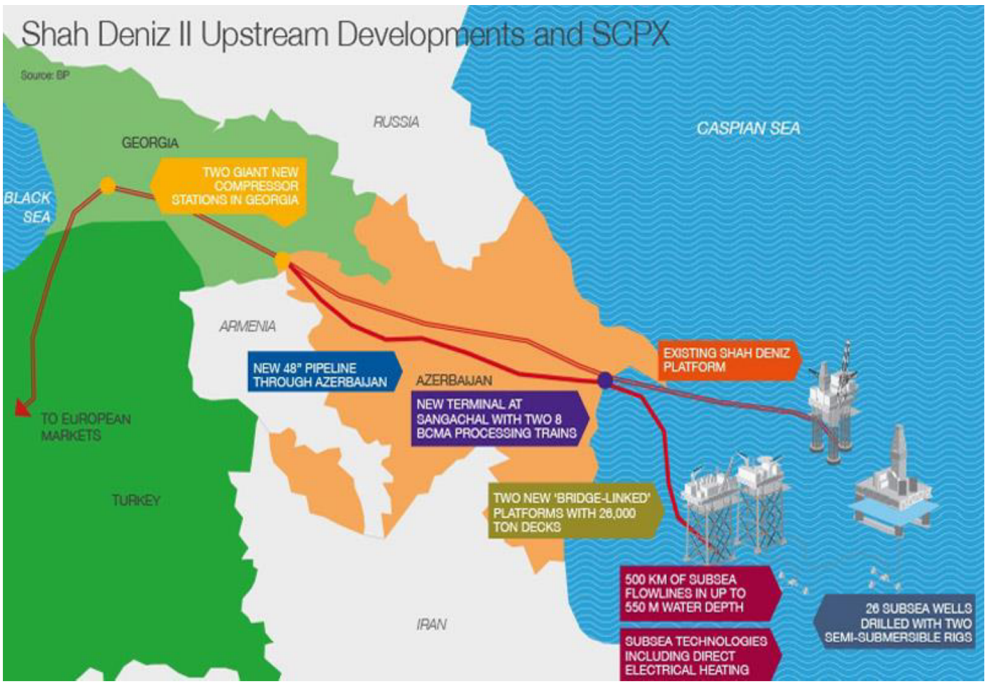
2009	Joint Declaration of the Prague Eastern Partnership Summit 2009	General document related to all EaP countries, stated that the cooperation is based on commitments to the principles of international law and to fundamental values, by means of democracy, the rule of law and the respect for human rights and their fundamental freedom.	The text did not include principle of conditionality as such, only general vision is provided.
2009	European Neighbourhood Policy - Azerbaijan	Normative values appear in the second paragraph of the text. In particular, democracies, the rule of law and respect for human rights appear together. These values are mentioned in the context of the EU-Azerbaijan Cooperation and Partnership Agreement, that was intended to promote these values.	The document clearly states that EU cooperation with Azerbaijan aims "to achieve democratic reforms and respect for human rights". Such a clear declaration is a new element in the texts.
2010	Implementation of the European Neighbourhood Policy in 2009: Progress Report Azerbaijan	The rule of law, together with democracy, is highlighted in a separate chapter devoted to political dialogue and reform. Similarly, attention is paid to human rights and fundamental freedoms, and a separate space is given to them in the document, which also mentions the positive aspects of the appointment of an ombudsman.	The text immediately mentions the value of the rule of law on the need for further reforms and the development of political dialogue. Democracy is also addressed in the very end of the document on financial cooperation. Democracy, together with good governance, is the first (out of three) priority for financial allocation. The EU places emphasis on this, because it mentions that "more efforts are needed in political dialogue and reforms"

2010	National Indicative Program 2011-2013	The document is dealing with the priority of "democratic structures, rule of law, respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms being the heart of EU-Azerbaijan relations".	The normative goal of implementing democratic standards is also mentioned in this text. Again, these objectives are highlighted in the context of the first priority area of cooperation, where the two sub-priorities highlight the objectives as key, the development of democratic institutions, the rule of law and, in a broader context, reform of the judiciary corruption in sub-priority two.
2011	Implementation of the European Neighbourhood Policy in 2010- Country Report Azerbaijan	This text is structured in such a way that a separate section in the text is devoted to Democracy and the Government of Law and Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.	The priority areas to be fulfilled for the implementation of the Action Plan are democratic standards and reforms. No exact signs of conditionality were referred.
2011	Joint Declaration of the Warsaw Eastern Partnership Summit 2011	The Declaration emphasized that the Eastern Partnership is based on values and principles of the rule of law, democracy, respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms.	The participants of Summit stated that only some of the member-states of EaP have committed progress and EU should apply different aspirations.
2012	Implementation of the European Neighbourhood Policy in Azerbaijan Progress in 2011 and recommendations for action	The text deals again with specific topics such as democratization and human rights, alongside emphasizing the freedom of religion, freedom of press and media freedom, the position of NGOs press.	In general, this text concludes by mentioning in Azerbaijan: "serious shortcomings in relation to democratic standards and respect for human rights ... to the extent that the international community is increasingly concerned." Exact tools of conditionality are missing.
2013	Implementation of the European Neighbourhood Policy in Azerbaijan Progress in 2012 and recommendations for action	The Report continues to criticize Azerbaijan for its efforts to fulfil the obligations of the Democracy Action Plan, including the electoral process and the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms.	The text did not include principle of conditionality as such, only general vision is provided.

2013	Joint Declaration of the Vilnius Eastern Partnership Summit 2013	The document recalls that much remains to be done to unravel the remaining challenges posed to democracy, the respect of human rights and fundamental freedoms.	For the first time, the Declaration launched goals to be achieved by the Eastern Partnership by 2015. The summit brought up for the first time the subject of conditionality through a positive incentive-based approach ("more for more") of the renewed European Neighbourhood Policy.
2014	Implementation of the European Neighbourhood Policy in Azerbaijan Progress in 2013 and recommendations for actions	The overall introduction concludes once more that Azerbaijan is predicted to be more active in achieving democracy, respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, with a key specialization in the rule of law.	Democracy additionally mentioned within the context of local democracy and the need to strengthen it, as well as in the context of democratic control of the military and armed forces.
2015	Implementation of the European Neighbourhood Policy in Azerbaijan Progress in 2014 and recommendations for actions	Generally, it was noted that Azerbaijan made again very little progress in implementing the ENP Action Plan.	The Report states that the state should focus its work on respecting and implementing its commitments on fundamental human rights and freedoms, improve democracy and electoral process.
2015	Joint Declaration of the Riga Eastern Partnership Summit 2015	Summit noted again that participants recommended to strengthen democracy, rule of law, and fundamental freedoms, as well as the principles and norms of international law.	The Declaration generally focuses the evolution of the relations without mentioning specific tools of conditionality.
2017	Report on EU – Azerbaijan relations in the framework of the revised ENP	The issues of democracy, human Rights and good governance are touched in the report.	The report noted that Partnership Priorities under discussion between the two sides also aimed at providing focus for the broad cooperation between the EU and Azerbaijan and would guide the programming of EU financial assistance.

2019	Report on EU - Azerbaijan relations in the framework of the revised European Neighbourhood Policy - 2019	The report states that the issues related to human rights, including the people who considered as political prisoners, longer-term stability, security and prosperity in Azerbaijan will remain as significant challenges	Report emphasized the ongoing negotiations on a new bilateral agreement between the EU and Azerbaijan and stated that the agreement would provide a good basis for further cooperation in view of socio-economic development.

Appendix B Map of the main pipelines



Appendix C South Caucasus Pipeline expansion