V.I. Lenin and the GOELRO Plan
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In the presented report, the author shows that the development and adoption of the GOELRO Plan was carried out by V.I. Lenin's understanding of the paramount importance of the country's energy development.
The historical evaluation of the GOELRO Plan has formed an essential part of Lenin’s legacy. The analysis of realities of the GOELRO Plan highlights the controversy of the pivotal thesis of Marxism, i.e. that of people being the main creator of history.
The leading role in the development and implementation of the first programme of Soviet Russia’s socioeconomic development belongs, first and foremost, to the concrete political and research-and-technology leaders, V.I. Lenin and G.M. Krzhizhanovskii, who had formulated the plan’s objectives and purposes, developed the methods to address these objectives and purposes, and mobilised all available resources to implement the plan.
The GOELRO Plan, approved by the Eighth AllRussian Congress of Soviets in December 1920, defined the directions, mechanisms, and parameters for national economic development of Soviet Russia for the decade to follow, and laid the foundations for national planning and industrial economic construction strategy for a longer-term future.
One of the main reasons behind the Plan’s success was the active involvement of the leader of Soviet Russia, V.I. Lenin, in its implementation. His status of the main political figure in the country had, undoubtedly, facilitated his efforts to promote the programme for electrification.
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