

# 8<sup>th</sup> BI-ANNUAL CONFERENCE - DBDH & TOPS

May 26-28, 2021

VRDNIK, SERBIA



## Will you join us at the 8<sup>th</sup> bi-annual district heating event in Serbia - addressing the green agenda through district heating?

The bi-annual event is arranged in cooperation with the Serbian District Heating Association (TOPS) and the Danish Embassy in Belgrade.

DBDH has built up a valuable relation with TOPS through an Agreement of Cooperation, which opens access to the political level and important decision makers in the Serbian sector for district heating.

## Why Participate?

In Denmark we take for granted good air quality and energy efficient operation of district heating networks. We have accumulated both knowledge and business expertise on the importance of those two topics and have become rightful leaders in these fields. Serbia - in its

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aspirations to advance own green agenda and commitments made to the EU - is a growing market with increasing understanding of importance of both energy efficiency and air pollution.

Therefore this year's event will address the green agenda through district heating – by focusing on air pollution and energy efficiency.

This year Serbia has made several major headlines. Some were related to good results in terms of vaccinations against covid19, where country is leading the Europe-wide statistics. On another front concerning the air quality index, Serbia is among the worst performing in Europe. Air quality deteriorates further with colder days and in urban environments, and in some cities it has been linked to underdeveloped district heating infrastructure or individual heating locations which still utilize coal, oil and other heavy carbon sources. Energy efficiency is yet another area that is continuously improved, and Danish companies have continued to play a role and find the market for its goods and services in Serbia.

In Serbia some 48% of urban population is connected to district heating networks. There is more than 5821MW of installed capacity for district heating spread over 255 locations throughout the country. Development of district heating networks and district heating systems is the way to further advance energy delivery to consumers as well as industry in Serbia.

### **Who will you meet?**

The two-day event in Serbia is a top-level meeting with decision makers and technical staff of all relevant district heating companies in Serbia. Among the confirmed participants are also government officials underlining the importance of topics and international financial institutions capable of financing promising projects and initiatives.

The district heating sector in Serbia wish to benefit from cooperation with Danish companies concerning Danish know-how and technologies, and the bi-annual event brings together the Serbian and Danish district heating sectors and create new possibilities for all.

### **Participation includes**

- Meeting more than 70 participants representing managers of Serbian Heating plants as well as leaders and decision makers in Serbian municipalities.
- Meeting members of Serbian Ministry of Energy (will be invited).
- Getting complete access to the district heating and utility sector and the regions that are members of TOPS.
- Presenting your technology and solutions during the seminar
- Participation in a workshop between Danish companies and Serbian district heating sector
- unique possibilities for networking during both professional and social parts of the District Heating Days.
- Networking social event at monastery Mala Remata with Gala Diner at the Wine Cellar arranged by TOPS
- List with contact details of all participants of the event

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- Transfer from Belgrade to Vrdnik

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**Price**

Due to COVID19 we have been granted substantial co-financing from the Danish Export Council which means we can offer participation in the above event at only DKK 7,900 (EUR 1,060) ex. VAT, per company.

**Deadline and conditions:**

If you wish to reserve your place in the event, please sign up by emailing to pz@dbdh.dk - latest 15 April 2021.

Please note that all restrictions that may apply regarding Covid-19 will be strictly followed.

Please also note that because of the present restrictions caused by Covid-19 there is a risk of postponement of the event. In case of postponement, your participation is transferable to the rescheduled event.

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