



ROYAL NORWEGIAN EMBASSY

Norway – Western Balkans Business Conference *Investment opportunities in renewable energy in the Western Balkans*

Regional conference organised by the Norwegian Embassies in Belgrade and Sarajevo and the Office of the President in Serbia in cooperation with the Governments of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Albania and North Macedonia; Nordic Business Alliance and Norway-BiH Business Association and NORWEP.

Palace of Serbia, New Belgrade
17 November 2022

Program

- 08:30 - **Registration**
09:30 *All participants must be registered by 09:30 (ID necessary) and be seated by 09:50.*
- 10:00 **Welcome**
Mr Jørn Gjelstad, Ambassador of Norway to Serbia, Montenegro and North Macedonia and
Mr Olav Reinertsen, Ambassador of Norway to Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 10:00 - **High-level opening segment**
11:00 *moderated by Mr Marko Cadež, President, Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Serbia*
- H.E. Aleksandar Vucic, President of the Republic of Serbia**
H.E. Zoran Tegeltija, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Dritan Abazovic, Prime Minister of Montenegro
H.E. Dimitar Kovachevski, Prime Minister of the Republic of North Macedonia (TBC)
H.E. Edi Rama, Prime Minister of Albania (TBC)/Belinda Balluku, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Infrastructure and Energy
Mr Andreas Bjelland Eriksen, Deputy Minister of Energy and Special Energy Advisor to the Prime Minister, Norway (TBC)
- 11:00 - **Regional energy perspective and Norwegian energy investments in the Balkans**
12:30 *moderated by Mr Olav Reinertsen, Ambassador of Norway to BiH*
- Mr Tim Bjerkelund, Partner, Rystad Energy** (*supporting energy sector reform in Serbia*)
Ms Gunn Vik, Director Hydropower and Solar Energy, Norwegian Energy Partners (NORWEP)
Mr Simen Bræin, SVP Int'l Power, Statkraft (*investments in hydro power and solar power in Albania*)
Mr Inge Forseth, CEO, NTE (*investments in hydro power in Montenegro*)
Mr Magnus Johansen, EVP Offtake, Emergy (*investments in wind and solar power in Serbia and BiH*)
Ms Ingrid Welde, Project Development Manager, Tinfos (*developing hydropower in North Macedonia*)
Mr Børge Bjørneklett, CEO, Ocean Sun (*construction of floating solar power system in Albania*)
Mr Knut Linnerud, Senior Project Development, Greenstat (*investment in solar power/hydrogen in BiH*)
- 12:30 - **Lunch**
14:00 **High-level lunch hosted by President Aleksandar Vucic** (*by invitation only*)
Standing lunch for all participants



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- 14:00 - **Opportunities in the renewable energy sector**
14:45 *moderated by Mr Dirk Buschle, Deputy Director, Energy Community Secretariat*
- Ms Dubravka Djedovic, Minister of Mining and Energy, Serbia (TBC)
- Ms Belinda Balluku, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Infrastructure and Energy, Albania**
- Mr Fatmir Bytyqi, Deputy Prime Minister in charge of Economic Affairs, North Macedonia (TBC)
- Mr Ervin Ibrahimovic, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Capital Investment, Montenegro (TBC)
- Mr Nermin Džindić, Minister of Energy, Mining and Industry, Government of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bosnia and Herzegovina**
- Mr Petar Djokic, Minister of Industry, Energy and Mining, Government of Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina**
- 14:45 - **Implementing and financing the renewable energy agenda**
15:30 *moderated by Mr Siniša Mali, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance*
- Mr Siniša Mali, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Serbia**
- Ms Yulia Ustyugova, Resident Representative, IMF**
- Mr Matteo Colangeli, Director, Regional Head of Western Balkans, EBRD**
- Mr Nicola Pontara, Country Manager for Serbia, Europe and Central Asia, World Bank**
- Mr Ary Naïm, Regional Manager for Central & Southeast Europe, IFC**
- Mr Alessandro Bragonzi, Head of the Regional Representation for the Western Balkans, EIB (TBC)
- Mr Sakellaris Hourdas, Head of Operations, Delegation of the European Union**
- 15:30 - **Norwegian Energy Sector development and experiences, role of business associations**
16:00 *moderated by Mr Jørn Gjelstad, Ambassador of Norway to Serbia, Montenegro and North Macedonia*
- Mr Øivind Johansen, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Petroleum and Energy of Norway**
- Mr Rune Flatby, Senior Advisor/form. Head of Licensing, Norwegian Water Resources & Energy Directorate**
- Ms Isidora Micic, Senior Market Coupling Advisor, Nord Pool**
- Ms Iva Petrovic, Director, Nordic Business Alliance**
- Mr Jan Morritz Olsson, Director, Norway-BiH Business Association**
- 16:00 **Closing remarks**
- Mr Jørn Gjelstad, Ambassador of Norway to Serbia, Montenegro and North Macedonia**
- Mr Olav Reinertsen, Ambassador of Norway to Bosnia and Herzegovina**
- 16:00 **Cocktail reception**