

Webinar: TRANSITION AWAY FROM COAL IN BIH - WHAT DOES IT MEAN, HOW MIGHT IT BE DONE, WHAT CAN BE LEARNED FROM OTHER COUNTRIES?

June 10th, 2021 / 13:00 - 15:30 (Central European Time) / Agenda

13:00-13:10

Introduction

Introduction to the themes, speakers, and program of the day

Professor Azrudin Husika, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering of the University of

Saraievo and Nadira Berbić. CENER21

13:10-13:15

Opening remarks

Admir Softić, Assistant Minister for the Energy Sector and Senad Oprašić, Head of the Environmental Department - Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Economic Relations BiH

Part 1: Context and concepts

13:15-13:25

Coal production and use in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Overview of the coal sector in BiH and trends in energy

Damir Miljević, Member of Managing Board, RESET Sustainable Energy Transition Center

13:25-13:35

Principles of just transition and historical lessons

Introduction to the concept of just transition and key lessons learned from looking at historical transitions involving major industries and the mining sector.

Claudia Strambo, Research Fellow, Stockholm Environment Institute

Part 2: Just transition in practice

13:35-13:50

Initiative for coal regions in transition in the Western Balkans and Ukraine

Introduction to the Initiative and its work in the Balkans.

Dr Anna Sobczak, Policy Coordinator for coal regions in transition in the framework of EU Green Deal, European Commission (DG ENER)

13:50-14:05

Q&A

14:05 - 14:10

Break

14:10-14:25

Territorial transition planning in practice: Insights from Poland

Overview of Poland's experience with elaborating territorial just transition plans.

Aleksander Szpor, Head of the Just Transition Research Program, Instrat

14:25 - 14:40

The World Bank's activities on coal transitions in BiH and the Balkans

Overview of the World Bank's coal industry engagement with BiH and examples from the Balkan region.

Dr Rachel Perks, Senior Mining Specialist, World Bank

14:40-14:50

The EBRD just transition initiative and its engagement in the Balkans

Overview of the EBRD just transition initiative and the Bank's activities on energy transitions in the Balkan region.

Francesco Corbo, Associate Director, and Head of Energy for the Western Balkans, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

14:50-15:00

Power utility perspective

Reflections on the energy transition and challenges and opportunities in BiH.

Anes Kazagić, Head of Strategic Development Department - EPBiH power utility

15:00-15:25

Q&A discussion

Moderated discussion among presenters, and some further questions invited from the audience

15:25-15:30

Closing remarks