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The largest GEN-I solar power plant in North Macedonia has started production

GEN-I completed the construction of the largest solar power plant in North Macedonia and connected it to the grid in September, four months ahead of the government's deadline. The power plant, with a total capacity of 17 MW, will produce 25,000 MWh of green energy, which can supply more than 5,500 households.

Skopje, 10 October 2022 – The President of the Management Board of the GEN-I Group, Dr Igor Koprivnikar, together with Prime Minister Dimitro Kovačevski, and the Minister of Economy, Kreshnik Bekteši, publicly presented the start of the operation of the currently largest solar power plant in North Macedonia. The start of operation represents an important milestone for the expansion of GEN-I in the implementation of large solar power plants projects and the production of carbon-free electricity as well as a key contribution to the so-called Green Scenario of the Republic of North Macedonia under the Strategy for Energy Development of the Republic of North Macedonia. The Republic of North Macedonia is an important partner in the project's implementation and a key strategic stakeholder by leasing degraded land for a 50-year lease.

“Today, the new largest solar power plant to date, 17 MW, started its operation. With this investment, we are moving towards energy independence, strengthening the green economy and improving the standard of living. Today, when the world is facing an energy crisis, we provide clean energy obtained from our Macedonian sun, which will supply more than 5,500 Macedonian households. We have outlined the direction of the country in the future when we talk about energy production, the green industry and the economy we want to create. North Macedonia is a trusted partner that investors prefer because they see it as a partner with the best support and service. As a responsible government, we are fighting for every cent of new foreign investment in the country - step by step. Congratulations to the GEN-I Group! I wish you successful work and many more green investments,” said Prime Minister Dimitar Kovačevski.

Minister Bekteši added that the GEN-I investment is a true example that the policies and measures for energy transformation and increasing the production of green energy, which were implemented only three years ago, have already begun to produce good results.

“These days, the importance of investing in green energy and reducing dependence on fossil fuels is more evident than ever. I am happy to say that GEN-I is also becoming an increasingly important player in this energy market segment, not only in Slovenia but also in the international market. North Macedonia has always been an important market for us, and with this investment, we are even more connected. It is also an important milestone for GEN-I, demonstrating our willingness to lead the green transformation and our ability to deliver large-scale renewable energy projects. We are grateful to all the participants who helped make this project successful,” said Dr Igor Koprivnikar, the President of the Management Board of the GEN-I Group.

In 2019, the GEN-I Group won a 50-year lease of land and the right to build solar power plants with a total power of 17 MW in a degraded area in Amzabegov in the municipality of Sveti Nikole. Thus, in September, GEN-I completed the construction of a power plant comprising 31,772 solar panels on 300,000 square metres of surface area (30 football pitches) with a nominal power of 17 MW and a projected annual production of 25,000 MWh.

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