

The flue gas desulphurisation system for four 350-megawatt TENT A (thermal power plant Nikola Tesla) units will reduce sulfur dioxide emissions below 200 mg / m<sup>3</sup>, which is in line with EU requirements. The value of the project is 202.6 million euros and it is being realized in cooperation with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). The contractor is a consortium led by the Japanese company Mitsubishi Power. The consortium of contractors also includes ITOCHU Corporation from Japan and MPP Jedinstvo Sevojno.

The public company "Electric Power Industry of Serbia" will invest hundreds of millions of euros in projects such as the flue gas desulphurization system of TPP "Nikola Tesla A" in the coming period, because it is a question of health of citizens, as well as a question of economic development, said prof. Dr. Zorana Mihajlović, Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of Serbia and Minister of Mining and Energy at TENT A.

She is with Janez Kopač, Director of the Energy Community Secretariat, and Takahik Katsumat, Ambassador of Japan to Serbia, and Milorad Grčić, senior. d. Director of PE EPS visited the works on the construction of a flue gas desulphurization plant in the largest EPS thermal power plant.

- We invest half a billion euros together only in desulphurization projects. The number one condition is that we are energy safe, that we have enough gas and electricity, but an equally important condition is the protection of the environment. Serbia is making great strides in everything it can do with modern laws and strategies, we want a space where new investments will come, to invest in both renewable energy sources and energy efficiency. I sincerely believe that we will have a national plan for climate and energy by the end of this year, and that we will be more energy green next year. We will work hard on the energy transition, which is a condition for the economic development of our country - said Mihajlović.

V.d. Director of "Electric Power Industry of Serbia" Milorad Grčić pointed out that every day in which something is done for EPS, in terms of production capacities and transmission systems, is a big day.

- The construction of the desulphurization system in TENT A is one of the most important and largest projects in EPS and one in a series that is implemented in order to protect the environment and ensure the longevity and longevity of each installed production capacity. The desulphurization system we are building is for blocks A3, A4, A5 and A6. Blocks A1 and A2 will be put in order after a major overhaul, and a system for TENT B is being built. In the previous period, we reduced emissions of powdery substances from eight to 10 times. About 500 million euros have been invested in environmental protection projects so far, and the plans for the next period are an investment of 1.2 billion euros - said Grčić and added that

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he expects that the desulphurization system in TENT A could be completed a little earlier. May 2022, when planned.

Janez Kopac said that he was happy to attend the small celebration of progress that is happening in the largest thermal power plant in Serbia.

- The Energy Community is a pan-European organization, which unites the electricity and gas market. In 2013, we adopted the directive on large furnaces, in order to burden the harmful emissions of thermal power plants with additional prices. Energy (in Serbia) has not paid for that so far. Now that is changing due to the legal framework of the European Community - said Kopač.

The Ambassador of Japan to Serbia, Takahiko Katsumata, pointed out that the desulphurization plant in TENT A is the first environmental protection project being implemented within the agreement between the governments of Serbia and Japan, which includes support for Serbia on its path to the EU.

- The purpose of our cooperation is further progress. It is important that all thermal power plants reduce sulfur dioxide emissions, due to human health and harmonization with EU standards. Under the initiative of Minister Mihajlović, I am sure that such green projects will be the basis for our further cooperation - said Katsumata.

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