

Dušan Živković, General Director of EPS at the conference "South East Europe Energy Outlook 2025/2026 – Study Presentation and Energy Markers Challenges"

Energy security and diversification are key for the future of Serbia faced with global changes, growing energy demand and challenges decarbonization, "Electric Power Industry of Serbia" is intensively working to ensure the long-term energy stability and sovereignty of the Republic of Serbia, said Dušan Živković, general director of "EPS".

He said at the conference "Energy of Southeast Europe 2025/2026" that they are in favor the future of Serbia's energy system is key to stability of supply, development of new ones production capacity and diversification of energy sources.

Pointing to major geopolitical, technological and energy changes in the world, which impose more and more challenges on energy companies, Živković pointed out that EPS u under all these circumstances, it must simultaneously ensure security of supply, sufficient electricity for the needs of Serbia and the resilience of the system, with the continuation decarbonization process.

EPS is going in the right direction when it comes to the development of production portfolio, but also the improvement of the company's operations and development, which also has a large significance.

We have identified key investment projects that are a response to the current and future challenges. It is, first of all, the reversible hydroelectric power plant "Bistrica" which will together with the revitalized RHE "Bajina Bašta" enable a better balancing of the system and creating conditions for greater use of renewable energy sources in Serbia power system.

Diversification like building a gas power plant through cooperation with Azerbaijan is also needed, as it turned out to be exactly that diversification of the system is what gives us energy security and stability.

Of course, there is also a large solar project, with the already announced public call for the purchase of renewable energy projects which we want to see at this moment in the market available from projects in order to EPS also took part of that market, thereby further diversifying the portfolio - said Zivkovic.

He also said that EPS will continue to strengthen its regional position and cooperation with energy companies in the region, but also the digitization segment with the responsible application of artificial intelligence.

Speaking about long-term projects for the further development of Serbian energy, the first man of EPS mentioned the reversible hydropower plant "Đerdap 3", which with its power and role has considerably wider regional importance, as well as the strategic idea that

Serbia will gain in about 15 years the first nuclear power plant, reminding that the analyzes have already started through the first phase development of the nuclear program.