

KEY NOTE ABSTRACT

DISTRICT ENERGY AND THE EUROPEAN ENERGY TRANSITION: WHAT'S THE PLAN?

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Abstract

The image and visibility of DHC at EU level has increased significantly in recent years. There is much greater understanding of the potential of thermal grids to help meet key societal challenges such as decarbonisation, ensuring the supply of secure and affordable energy and others. The translation of these principles are translated into practice at local level around Europe should create major opportunities for growth and development in our sector. However, it will only be possible to seize these opportunities if operators are willing to embrace change and progress in all aspects of their business, from network conception to customer relations. This presentation will provide an overview of future prospects for DHC in Europe and some reflections on what the DHC industry can do to help ensure the best possible outcome.

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