

# EKO-SUSTAV Ltd.

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## General information about EKO-SUSTAV Ltd.

- is founded in 2008 in Vukovar in Vukovar-Srijem County, Croatia and main task is managing waste management centre in Stari Jankovci (not yet built).
- Founder of four power plants on biogas (and biomass).
- Involved in mainly everything related to protection of environment and energy saving in our county, managing green office in City of Vukovar for the whole county. We have recognized that energetic efficiency is creating of preconditions for development of competitive and sustainable economy with protection of environment.
- Ongoing cooperation with the Environmental protection and energy efficiency Fund in Zagreb regarding projects for installing of solar systems for private objects, and installing photovoltaic systems on county owned buildings, adaptation of objects in Vukovar-Srijem County to reduce energy losses and in that way create better utilisation of energy, ongoing is also education of Vukovar-Srijem County residents in waste management, and cooperation with cities and municipalities regarding to above mentioned projects (RES and EE).

## Participation in national and international innovation and technology transfer projects

- Small experience in technology transfer projects, only cooperation with universities, institutes in work related purposes. Proposed DTC in Croatia will be placed in Vinkovci in location of Technology park Vinkovci with other companies and start-ups placed there, so link with technology transfer is existing.
- Project **CLUSTHERM**, implemented 2008-2009., partner: Vukovar-Srijem County, financed by 7th Framework Programme for research and development – FP7 with goal to establish new research cluster for geothermal waters usage and development of capacities of rural economy through exploitation of geothermal waters.
- **ABCDE Posavina** (Agricultural Biomass Cross-border Development of Energy in Posavina) partner: Vukovar-Srijem County, IPA CBC Croatia – BiH 2007, 2008 program - project exploring possibilities for agricultural biomass usage in our and our partner counties.
- **PROGRES** – Protection of Nature and Globalisation of Renewable Energy Sources, partner: EKO-SUSTAV Ltd, IPA II Cross-border programme Croatia-Bosnia and Herzegovina - *Overall objective*: By using renewable energy sources (RES) contribute to environment protection and enhancing the life conditions through cooperation of two cross-border areas.
- **REPRO** - Renewable Energy PROjects Cross-border Exchange, partner: EKO-SUSTAV Ltd, IPA Cross-border programme Croatia-Serbia - *Overall objective*: Improvement of knowledge's of local governments in districts Bačka and Srijem in managing systems of renewable energy sources.

## Priorities in innovation and technology transfer

- International visibility and making of good praxis in technology transfer and innovation.
- Organization of quality educations to produce personnel ready to tackle with market competitiveness.
- Support the competitiveness of companies with help and usage of knowledge from universities and education institutions, especially linking entrepreneurs with education institutions and development agencies.
- Enhancement of knowledge transfer which is low in Vukovar-Srijem County.
- Gaining new knowledge's through Danube transfer centres based on existing cooperation's is good basis for future developments in the area as Danube Region has huge economic and innovation potential. It is also a great opportunity to Launch concrete actions to promote smart specialization, technology transfer and innovative projects.