



Bulgaria-Serbia IPA Cross-Border Programme
CCI Number 2007CB16IPO006

Project number: 2007CB16IPO006-2011-2-27
Project name: PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE ENERGY UTILIZATION OF BIOMASS IN THE CROSS BORDER REGION

Project partners:
▪ **Lead partner:** Black Sea Energy Research Centre, Bulgaria
▪ **Project partner 2:** Faculty of Occupational Safety, University of Nis, Serbia

Budget: 118 107,56 €
Project duration: 12 months

Project description:

The project envisioned and achieved the following results:

- Conducted assessment of the biomass energy potential in two municipalities – Tran (Bulgaria) and Pirot (Serbia);
- Development of 4 feasibility studies of biomass energy projects – pelleting, briquetting, and fuel switch in two buildings;
- Developed municipal strategies for biomass utilization for Tran and Pirot municipalities;
- Organization of training courses on the biomass energy utilization – one for private market actors and one for public authorities;
- Organization of study visits to the pellet factory in Gadzhin Han and the biomass-fuelled heating station in Ihtiman;
- Organization of an Investment Forum and Final Conference;
- Development and broadcasting of a promotional documentary film.
- Development of a project web site: <http://biomass-to-energy.eu>

The project was successfully completed in January 2014.

The screenshot shows the ProBioCBR website. At the top, there are logos for the European Union, ProBioCBR (Promoting Sustainable Energy Utilization of Biomass in the Cross Border Region), and the Bulgaria-Serbia IPA Cross-border Programme. Below the logos is a navigation menu with links: Home, About the project, Results, Events, Contact Us. The main content area is titled "Home" and contains the following text: "The project 'Promoting Sustainable Energy Utilization of Biomass in the Cross Border Region' (ProBioCBR) runs from January 2013 till January 2014. It aims to increase the cohesion and integration in Bulgaria-Serbia cross-border region by promoting sustainable use of locally available forest and agro biomass as a renewable energy source, based on exchange of know-how, best practices, and wider stakeholder involvement. The project activities include:"

- Biomass energy potential assessment
- Two training courses on the biomass energy utilization
- Study visits to good practice
- Feasibility studies of biomass energy projects
- Biomass to Energy Investment Forum
- Municipal strategies for biomass utilization
- Promotional documentary film
- Final project conference.

The project beneficiaries are all market actors in the biomass-to-energy supply chain and decision makers at local and regional authorities and forestry directorates.

On the right side of the page, there are two images: one showing a stack of logs and another showing wood chips. Below these images is a "Useful Links" section with a link to "Bulgaria - Serbia, IPA Cross-border Programme".



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