

PRESS RELEASE

Ljubljana, 21.3.2013 – Borzen, Slovenian power market operator, hereby publishes basic information regarding the performance of the Feed-in Support System for electricity from Renewable energy sources (RES) and High-efficiency Cogeneration (CHP) in the year 2012. We summarize the key facts and figures.

Feed-in Support Schemes are state aid instruments, confirmed by the European Commission, that guarantee above-market prices to induce new investment in RES and CHP sources and thus facilitate the achievement of national RES targets set by the so-called Renewables Directive (2009/28/EC).

The Slovenian Feed-in scheme is managed by Borzen, the Slovenian power market operator. At the end of 2012 there were 2543 power plants included with a combined installed capacity of 375 MW. This represents close to 11% of all installed capacity in Slovenia. The number of included power plants has risen by almost 70%, compared to end of year 2011.

Year	2012	2011	2010	2009
Electricity produced (GWh)	654	943	996	934
Support payments (mio EUR, VAT excl.)	89,8	69,5	48,6	22,7

As shown in the table above, the trend of rising support payments continued in 2012, where in spite of markedly lower electricity production (2012 level only close to 70% of 2011 level), support payments have risen by close to 30%. The electricity produced by plant included in the Feed-in System accounts for approximately 5% of total yearly electricity consumption in Slovenia. We expect the trend of rising payments to continue in 2013, with total payments well over 100 million EUR.

Power plant type	Electricity production (GWh)	Support payments (mio EUR, VAT excl.)
Hydro	100,6	5,8
Solar PV	121,4	38,2
Wind	>0	>0
Biogas	150,6	18,3
Wood biomass (incl. CHP)	80,9	8,7
Fossil-fuel CHP	199	18,4
Other	1,5	0,4
TOTAL	654	89,8

Notes:

1. Biogas includes all types of biogas, e.g. landfill gas
2. Electricity production rounded to 0,1 GWh, payments to 0,1 mio EUR.

The table above details the electricity production and support payments in 2012 by plant type. Compared to 2011 there was a large increase in solar PV, that represent more than 40% of support payments. They are followed by fossil-fuel CHP and biogas plants, with close to 20% each. Wind is still marginal, with only a few micro units included in the system.

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ADDITIONAL INFO ON THE SLOVENIAN FEED-IN SUPPORT SCHEME:

Brochure:

http://www.borzen.si/en/CP/Shared%20Documents/brosura_v2012_english.pdf

Support levels:

http://www.borzen.si/si/cp/Shared%20Documents/Podpore_en.pdf

Other info:

http://www.borzen.si/en/CP/SitePages/3_1.aspx