

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

The International District Energy Association (IDEA) is pleased to offer the Call for Presentations for our 2021 Annual Conference & Trade Show — *Powering the Future: District Energy/CHP/Microgrids*

Cities, communities and campuses are seeking smarter and more sustainable solutions to improve energy resiliency, reduce emissions and stimulate local economic growth. Investments in district energy, combined heat and power and microgrids can help to achieve all three of these objectives concurrently, while preparing for a cleaner energy future.

By aggregating the thermal and electricity needs of dozens or even hundreds of buildings, district energy systems create economies of scale that enable integration of highly-efficient, sustainable and resilient energy infrastructure, including opportunities to de-carbonize and leverage local resources.

Since 1909, IDEA conferences have earned a reputation for excellent technical content, valuable peer exchange and open dialogue, fostering an environment for new business opportunities while advancing the interests of the industry.

We are pleased to welcome abstracts and submissions of interest from public and private sector participants, domestic and global, on a range of topics around the theme of *Powering the Future: District Energy/CHP/Microgrids*.

We anticipate IDEA2021 will be a hybrid conference with both in-person and online content so attendees can either travel to Austin to participate or participate remotely through our virtual conference platforms.

SUGGESTED PRESENTATION TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Pathways for Migrating to Low Carbon District Energy
- Opportunities to Integrate Electricity and Thermal Networks
- Geothermal and Geo-Exchange District Energy Systems
- Microgrids for Reliability, Redundancy, and Resiliency
- Data Centers and District Energy
- Net Zero and Near Zero Communities and Climate Action Plans
- Greenfield and Brownfield District Energy Developments
- Smart Growth and Transit-Oriented District Energy and Microgrids
- Extending District Energy Systems – Connecting with Neighbors
- De-Carbonizing Communities with District Energy
- Emerging Business Models
- Energy Procurement Strategies and Public/Private Partnerships
- District Energy and CHP Case Studies
- System Optimization, Expansion, Modernization and Renewal
- District Cooling, Thermal Energy Storage and Turbine Inlet Air Cooling
- Future Fuels: Biomass, Biofuels and Recycled/Recovered Heat
- Integrating Renewables with District Energy/CHP
- District Energy and LEED for Campuses and Communities
- Energy/Water Nexus, Water Resource Conservation and Optimization Strategies

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION AND DEADLINE

Visit www.districtenergy.org/conferences for a link to submit your abstract and bio by Friday, December 18, 2020.

Questions? Please contact abstracts.idea@districtenergy.org or call +1-508-366-9339.

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