

PRESS RELEASE

Dalkia signs strategic partnership with Hungarian government

Paris, Budapest, 5th April 2013. _ Dalkia today announced it had signed a strategic partnership with the Hungarian government. This agreement is part of a program implemented by Hungary to improve the competitiveness of the country's economy by leveraging the expertise and knowledge of international corporations. For Dalkia, sixteenth company entering this program, it stress its expertise in energy efficiency and biomass.

Present in Hungary since 1992, Dalkia produces and distributes heat and electricity to public entities and industry clients. It is a recognized expert in supporting programs to reduce energy consumption.

Through this partnership, Dalkia will be regularly consulted by the government as its expert on energy issues.

For Péter Szijjártó, Secretary of State in charge of Foreign Affairs and External Economic Relations in the Prime Minister's office, *"the agreement signed between Dalkia Energia and the Hungarian government is an illustration of the successful economic cooperation between France and Hungary, based on mutual trust. The agreement will be of benefit to both Dalkia and the Hungarian people"*.

"This strategic cooperation creates a new form of dialogue between the representatives of the Hungarian State and the private sector. That is the main significance of this agreement, which recognizes Dalkia's energy efficiency experience and expertise. It will also help drive innovation, training and job creation," added Gérard Bourland, Chief Executive Officer of Dalkia Energia.

Dalkia has been innovating and investing for many years in Hungary, in particular in Pecs, a city with a population of 160,000 in the country's south, where biomass will soon replace gas to fire the district heating network, and in Tata, population of 25,000, where Dalkia recently took over management of the city's district heating network under a 25-year concession contract.

"One of Dalkia's strengths is the experience and high level of expertise of our employees who have access to ongoing professional training. Our employees' average length of service with the company exceeds 16 years; this strategic agreement is also, and above all, recognition of our teams' expertise," added Gérard Bourland.

About Dalkia Energia

Present for more than 20 years in Hungary, Dalkia Energia has invested more than 200 million euros in energy services, helping to improve energy efficiency across the entire country. The company is active in more than 250 establishments (50 municipal entities, 85 public or State buildings, 46 health facilities and 15 industry clients). It produces energy for 67,000 household customers and institutional clients through district heating networks around the country. Its energy efficiency and heat distribution activities, and other energy services mainly concern the public sector and industry clients, such as Richter Gedeon, SáGa, Hungerit and Bonduelle. Dalkia Energia develops and implements the latest technological solutions, such as in Pecs where the new biomass-fired cogeneration plant currently coming on stream will be one of the most efficient in Central and Eastern Europe.

**About Dalkia**

Dalkia is a subsidiary of Veolia Environnement and EDF. It is world leader in energy services, supplying innovative solutions to enable municipalities and businesses to grow sustainably. In a context of climate change, energy price volatility and scarce resources, clients can benefit from Dalkia's experience to develop, build and operate more environmentally friendly and more economical energy systems. With more than 50,000 employees in 35 countries, Dalkia reported revenue of €8.9 billion in 2012. Website: www.dalkia.com

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