

EXPERTS DISCUSSED POSSIBILITIES OF USING THE BIOGAS IN KAZAKHSTAN

Seminar was held with the support of the Global Methane Initiative, where possibilities of using biogas for energy in Kazakhstan were discussed. The event was held on May 16, 2018.

The organizers were the Center "Cooperation for Sustainable Development", the Kazakhstan Association for Waste Management "KazWaste" in cooperation with the Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The seminar was attended by 35 people, including representatives of the Global Methane Initiative (GMI), government agencies, financial institutions, business associations, enterprises.

Participants welcomed: Director of the Department of renewable energy ME RK Sospanova A.S, executive director of the Global Methane Initiative (the GMI) Monica Shimamura, General Director of the Kazakhstan Housing Development Science and Technology Center Mahambet A.K., leading banker of the Eurasian Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) Fayziev B., Executive Director of the Kazakhstan Waste Management Association "KazWaste" Mustafina V.V.

The first session of the seminar was devoted to the situation on the using of biogas as a renewable energy source in the Republic of Kazakhstan. The session included speeches of industry experts on the results of the inventory of methane emissions in the Republic of Kazakhstan, the review of biogas plants and the initiative "Water-Waste-Energy" in the Central Asia countries.

The topic of the second session was given to the opportunities and prospects of using biogas plants in Kazakhstan, as well as current projects on biogas, which are implemented by international organizations.

During the third session of the seminar enterprises that plan to build biogas plants in Kazakhstan. They talked about their plans for further implementation.

Also, foreign companies presented the best technologies for obtaining biogas from waste.

Large discussion was held on the situation of using biogas in Kazakhstan at the end of the workshop. Such key issues as holding auctions for biogas, fixing fixed tariffs, attracting investments to the industry, as well as improving legislation were considered.

Following the results of the seminar and discussions, the participants put forward proposals and recommendations, which will be reflected in the resolution of the seminar. This resolution will be sent to the Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan, to the Global Methane Initiative and other interested organizations.