



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Irish District Energy Association Joins Euroheat & Power**

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The Irish District Energy Association today confirmed its application to join Euroheat & Power (EHP) has been formally approved. Euroheat & Power (EHP) is the international network for district energy, promoting sustainable heating and cooling in Europe and beyond.

Ireland's stated ambitions, as set out in the Climate Action Plan 2023, to deliver 0.8TWhrs of District Heating by 2025 and 2.7TWhrs by 2030 demand that we take a more active role in EU policy making. By joining Euroheat & Power, IrDEA will take up a key Board position and positions on EHP's committees. This will ensure the needs of the Irish district energy sector are advocated for at EU level and that the wealth of expertise, experience, and connections available through EHP membership can be leveraged as the sector grows to meet Ireland's ambitious decarbonisation targets.

Commenting on the news, IrDEA CEO Yvonne Murphy stated,

This is another in a series of leaps forward for IrDEA as an organisation. We're excited to get started in developing and growing IrDEA's network of connections across Europe to lean on the extraordinary level of expertise across the continent. The great benefit of Ireland being late to the party on district energy is that we can avail of the abundance of help and guidance out there to ensure our sector develops according to the very best standards out there today.

EHP is a non-for-profit association headquartered in Brussels that unites the district energy sector. Members come from over thirty countries around the globe and include national district heating and cooling associations, utilities operating district energy systems, industrial associations and companies, manufacturers, universities, research institutes and consultancies active in the sector.

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#### **About IrDEA**

The Irish District Energy Association (IrDEA) is the trade organisation representing the district heating and cooling (DHC) sector in Ireland. We act on behalf of our members to support and promote the growth of the DHC industry, creating a new heating market for Ireland which offers greater opportunities to use indigenous low-carbon and renewable sources of heat.