

Press release

## How to get to a solar power plant for your own needs

UniCredit Bank Serbia continues to strengthen the market of renewable energy sources through an offer for solar energy projects

**Belgrade**, **22.9.2023**– A pioneer and one of the leaders on the domestic market in financing projects in the field of renewable energy sources, **UniCredit Bank Serbia has enriched its offer** with an investment loan for financing the construction of solar power plants.

As a company that strives for responsible business operations, UniCredit Bank Serbia supports clients and the community through specialized credit lines for the construction of solar power plants. UniCredit also supports companies that have ambitions to become buyers-producers, as well as producers of electricity, with a comprehensive service package that, apart from loans, also includes supporting products such as a guarantee for participation in expected auctions for awarding premiums and support when contracting insurance packages. The specificity of the credit lines is that, in addition to more favorable sources of financing, UniCredit also offers technical support within the credit lines with the aim of optimizing the investment.

UniCredit Bank has created a standardized loan for all companies that want to become buyer-producers, that is, all those who want to create a solar power plant for their own needs. Through specialized credit lines, users of the service will be able to implement projects in a period of three to 12 months, depending on the size of the projects, with an expected return on investment in a period of up to eight years.

**Aleksandra Rašić**, Head of Corporates and member of the Management Board at UniCredit Bank Serbia, pointed out: "We believe that we can progress only if the community in which we operate progresses. With this type of support, both from the financial and advisory side of the bank, I believe that we are on the right path together. We at UniCredit Bank plan to, in cooperation with various international financial institutions, in the coming period devote ourselves even more intensively and invest in green energy projects, following domestic and European regulations and trends, but also to strengthen advisory support to clients in the adoption of ESG standards. The advantage that we have, apart from our extensive experience at the premises, is the support of the top, international expert team of our UniCredit Group, which allows us to use the experience and practice models from different markets and adapt it to the domestic one".

Today, UniCredit Bank in Serbia is among the leaders in financing projects in the field of renewable sources, with a market share in that area that significantly exceeds the bank's total market share. It is the financier of five of the seven operational wind farms in Serbia, three of which it finances independently.

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UniCredit is a pan-European Commercial Bank with a unique service offering in Italy, Germany, Central and Eastern Europe. Our purpose is to empower communities to progress, delivering the best-in-class for all stakeholders, unlocking the potential of our clients and our people across Europe.



We serve over 15 million customers worldwide. They are at the heart of what we do in all our markets. UniCredit is organized in four core regions and two product factories, Corporate and Individual Solutions. This allows us to be close to our clients and use the scale of the entire Group for developing and offering the best products across all our markets.

Digitalisation and our commitment to ESG principles are key enablers for our service. They help us deliver excellence to our stakeholders and creating a sustainable future for our clients, our communities and our people.