











Clean Energy Harbour in Gdańsk Communication case study

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BASIC FACTS













PUBLIC - PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP













A BIT OF HISTORY



An agreement on cooperation between GPEC (District Heating Company) and the Waste Utilization Facility is established, focusing on the effective use of the energy potential of waste management.

2008

A "Multicriteria analysis of location possibilities within the Pomeranian Voivodeship" is developed.

2010

An environmental impact report for the project is prepared.

2011

An environmental decision is obtained.

2018

EU funding secured for the Gdańsk waste incineration plant Contract signed with contractor consortium



EARLY STAGES

How it started: Construction was initially scheduled to begin in 2018 and be completed by 2021.





How it's going: In reality, construction began in May 2020 and was completed by the end of December 2024—delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine.

COMMUNICATION CHALLANGES OF THE CONSTRUCTION TIME

- There are only a few incineration plants in Poland (e.g., EkoSpalarnia in Cracow has been operating only since 2017), so the public is not very familiar with the topic.
- People in the Pomerania region are attentive and sensitive to environmental issues — there are many activists and local NGOs focused on protecting green areas and combating air pollution.
- Media coverage of the Waste Utilization Facility in Gdańsk has primarily focused on odour nuisances.
- Gdańsk has a hazardous waste incineration plant that is relatively old and widely known among residents for contributing to air contamination.



TARGET GROUPS & TOOLS

Tools:

Target Groups:	Residents, particularly those in neighbouring districts
	Local activists and environmental organizations
	Municipal, governmental, and institutional officials
	Local and industry-specific media outlets
	Teachers, educators, and academic stakeholders
	Employees and project partners

Social media	
Website	
Virtual press office	
Picnics and events, contests	
Ads and campaigns	
Outdoor	
Study tours	
Council of steakholders	
Research	
Cooperation with media	
Educational materialas	
Conferences and lectures	

PRIORITY NO 1: TRANSPARENCY AND CONTINOUS UPDATES

We provide regular updates on construction progress through Facebook, YouTube, LinkedIn, our website, and media relations:

YouTube: Monthly timelapse videos, expert

commentary, and event highlights

Facebook: Daily updates covering all construction-

related activities

LinkedIn: A dedicated profile for industry

professionals and stakeholders

Website: A reliable knowledge hub featuring detailed information on funding, public-private partnerships, a comprehensive FAQ, blog articles with engaging facts, environmental benefits, and gas treatment processes **Virtual Press Office (Prowly):** A curated source for up-to-date photos, feature stories, and breaking news







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Na budowie obecnie trwają intensywne prace nad konstrukcją stalową hali kotła.

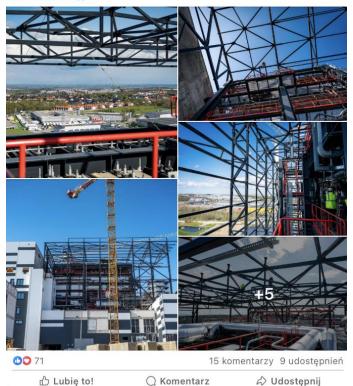
Jej poszczególne elementy montują m.in. specjaliści od robót wysokościowych, ponieważ prace odbywają się na wysokości nawet 42 m

Zobaczcie, jakie mają widoki podczas montażu 👁

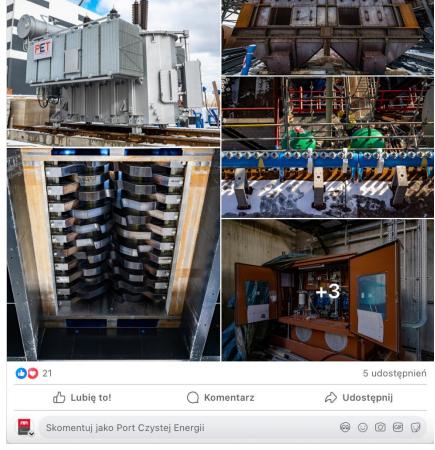
Pojedyncze elementy konstrukcji ważą nawet 2 tony, a całość to około 460 ton 451

Takich widoków nie zobaczycie na co dzień ma Zapraszamy do oglądania!

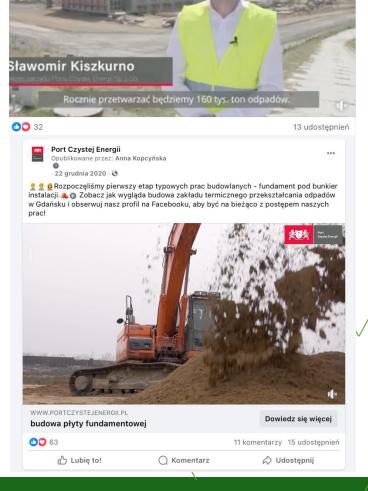
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Ważna jest dla nas transparentność, dlatego jesteśmy otwarci na wizyty w Porcie Czystej Energii i rozmowy o działaniu instalacji. 29 i 30 marca po raz trzeci zaprosiliśmy mieszkańców i mieszkanki Gdańska do zwiedzania ITPOK.

Towarzyszyli nam Partnerzy z Zakład Utylizacyjny, Gdańskie Wody i Grupa GPEC, którzy przygotowali stoiska edukacyjne i aktywności dla naszych gości.

Dziękujemy za liczny udział i każde pytanie. Z chęcią dzielimy się wiedzą o funkcjonowaniu spalarni i systemie gospodarowania odpadami komunalnymi w Gdańsku.

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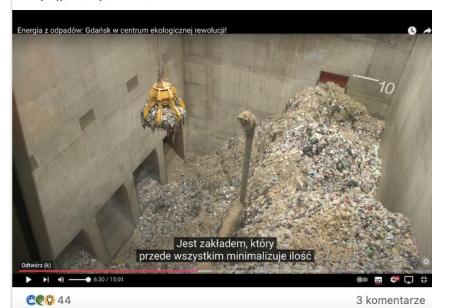
Port Czystej Energii nie powstałby gdyby nie wsparcie z środków unijnych -Programu Operacyjnego Infrastruktura i Środowisko 2014-2020.

W najnowszym programie "Unia, to (się) opłaca" prezes PCE Sławomir Kiszkurno prezentuje działanie gdańskiej instalacji termicznego przekształcania odpadów komunalnych.

"Instalacja została zaprojektowana zgodnie z najnowszymi wytycznymi środowiskowymi, zapewniającymi stosowanie najlepszych dostępnych rozwiązań. Posiada bardzo rozbudowany system oczyszczania spalin, a sama nie generuje odpadów - zarówno żużel jak i pyły są przetwarzane na bloczki betonowe i kruszywa służące m.in. do budowy dróg i tracą status odpadu" mówi Sławomir Kiszkurno.

Polecamy cały materiał.

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W Gdańsku trwa organizowana przez Abrys Sp. z o.o. 21. Konferencja Termiczne Przekształcanie Odpadów. Odzysk Energii, której Port Czystej Energii jest Partnerem.

Sławomir Kiszkurno, prezes Port Czystej Energii poprowadził panel dyskusyjny "Problemy legislacji UE i wpływ na termiczne przekształcanie odpadów w Polsce", w którym udział wzięli Szymon Cegielski - Dyrektor ITPOK w Poznaniu PreZero Zielona Energia, Marta Gurin (Olejnik) -Kierowniczka ds. Polityki i Technologii w CEWEP (Confederation of European Waste-to-Energy Plants), Katarzyna Wolny-Tomczyk ze Związek Producentów Paliw z Odpadów i Biomasy oraz podzielił się doświadczeniami z gorących rozruchów Portu Czystej Energii.

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PRIORITY NO 2: MEET, TALK AND ENGAGE RESIDENTS

Meetings with Residents: Direct dialogue to listen to concerns, address doubts, and introduce the topic of modern waste incineration.

Open Days at the Clean Energy Port (CEP): Held three times — October 2023, March 2024, and March 2025 — offering residents an inside look at the facility.

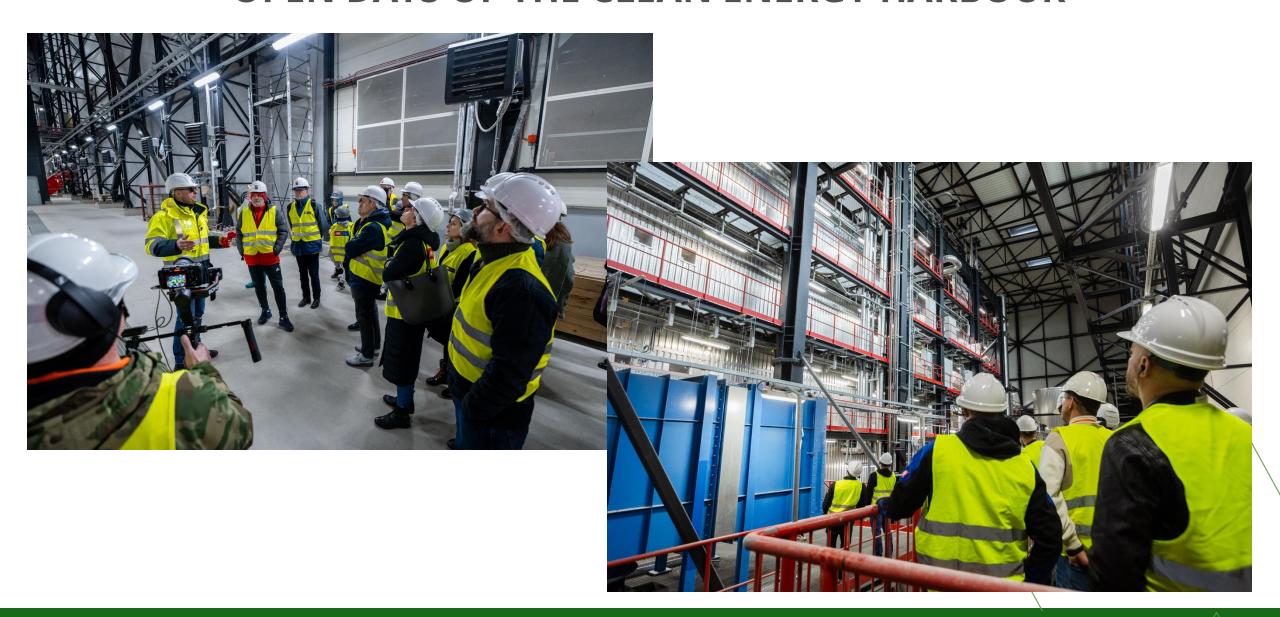
Presence at City Events: Active participation in local initiatives such as the Clean City of Gdańsk Festival, Atmospheric Films, Fahrenheit Picnic, Bicycle May, City Council Open Days, and District Picnics.

Community Contest with Local Media: "Name the Steam Drum!" — winning name: *Stolem.* Other events included construction milestone celebrations.

Study Tours: Open to all interested individuals, including conference participants, key/stakeholder groups, and municipal company representatives.

Stakeholder Council: A joint initiative of the Clean Energy Harbour and the Waste Utilization Facility to foster cooperation and dialogue.

OPEN DAYS OF THE CLEAN ENERGY HARBOUR

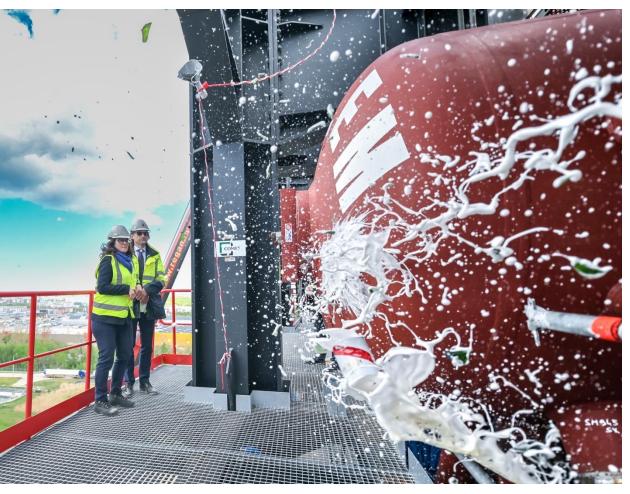


CITY EVENTS





HOW DO WE CALL THE STEAM DRUM?





STUDY TOURS





THE STAKEHOLDER COUNCIL OF CLEAN ENERGY HARBOUR AND WASTE UTILIZATION FACILITY

The Stakeholder Council includes representatives from neighbouring districts and district councils, municipal officials, academic experts, social organizations, city authorities, and the management boards of both companies. Established in 2014, the Council meets at least twice a year.

It serves as a platform to provide updates on the investment, address public concerns, and respond to questions.

Importantly, the time between meetings is used proactively by both companies to investigate and resolve reported issues, ensuring ongoing community engagement and accountability.





PRIORITY NO 3: LEADER IN WASTE-TO-ENERGY INDUSTRY IN POLAND

Shaping the image of Clean Energy Harbour as modern, safe, environmental friendly, economically justified

Press Presence: Interviews prepared in accordance with communication guidelines, ensuring clarity, consistency, and alignment with key messages.

Advertising: Carefully selected and context-appropriate placements in both industry-specific and local media outlets.

Campaign (June 2024): Focused on three main themes, delivered across multiple channels — radio, cinema, social media, outdoor displays, online banners, and press advertisements.

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We turn waste into electricity and heat For the environment. For Gdańsk.

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Less waste to landfills. More energy for Gdańsk.

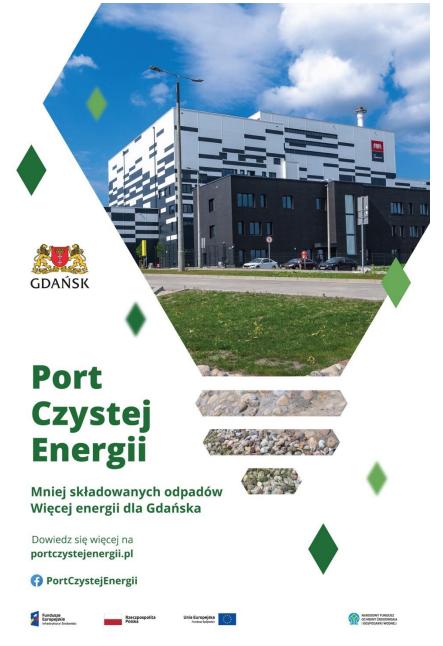




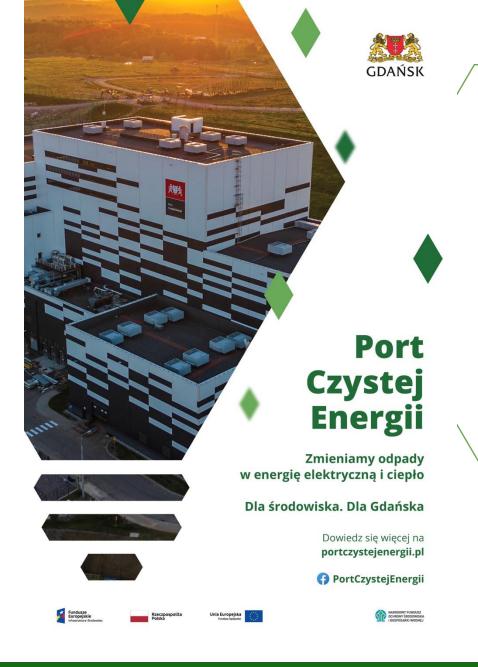
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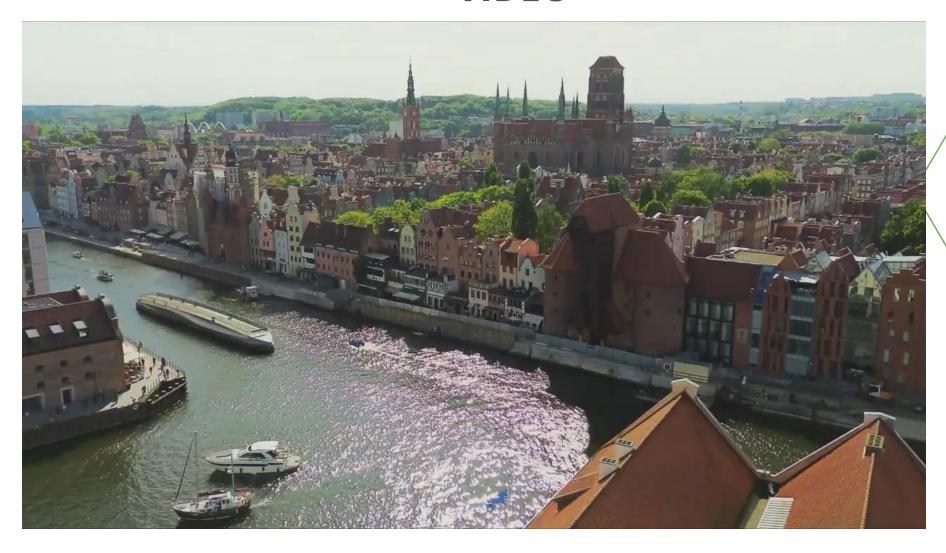




PRESS AND OUTDOOR



VIDEO



THE GREAT CLIMATE TEST











We partnered with *Gazeta Wyborcza* in organizing the **Great Climate Knowledge Test**—an educational initiative for secondary school students to assess their knowledge of ecology and climate change.

Before the competition, participants had the opportunity to learn more about the Clean Energy Harbour, a plant currently under construction.

The test was held on **2023**, **2024**, at **Gdańsk University of Technology**. We plan to continue this initiative.



THE EDUCATIONAL PATH

The journey through the seven stations of the path offers an engaging exploration of rational waste management — from proper segregation and recycling to modern waste processing methods.

It empowers visitors to make informed, responsible choices and actively contribute to a cleaner, more sustainable environment for themselves and future generations.



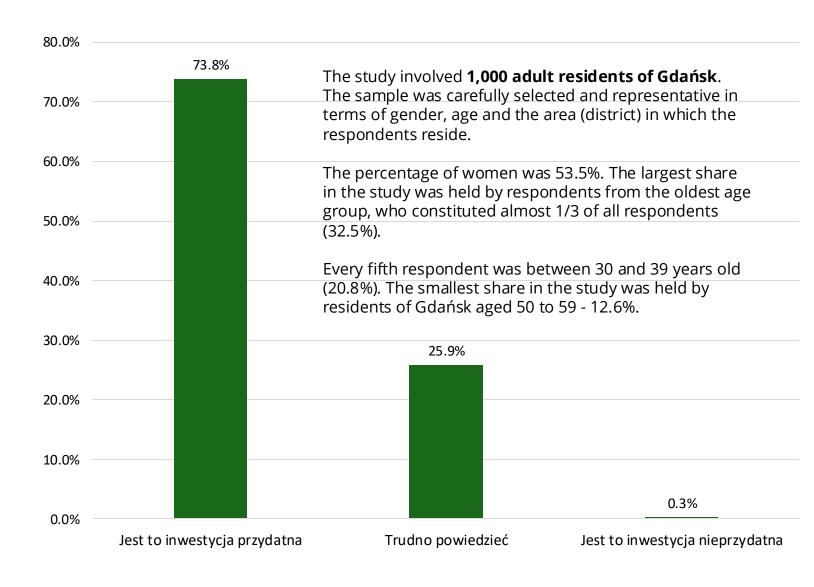


RESERCH NO 1. APRIL 2022

How do you assess the justification for building the Clean Energy Harbour?

(Opinion survey – GIOSTAT - April 2022)

Almost 3/4 of respondents considered the construction of the Clean Energy Port to be a useful investment (73.8%)



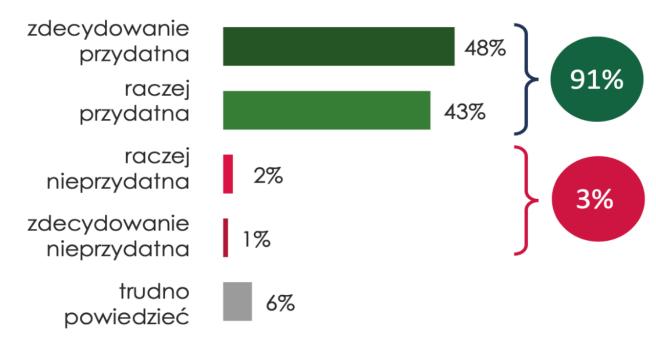
RESERCH NO 2. MAY 2024

How do you assess the justification for building the Clean Energy Harbour?

(opinion survey – PBS May 2024)

More than 7/8 of the respondents considered the construction of the Clean Energy Port to be a useful investment (91%).

Jest to inwestycja:



The study involved **1,000 adult residents of Gdańsk**. The sample was carefully selected and representative in terms of gender, age and the area (district) in which the respondents reside.

The percentage of women was 54%. The largest share in the study was held by respondents from the oldest age group, who constituted 1/4 of all respondents (25%).

Every fifth respondent was between 30 and 64 years of age. The smallest share in the study was held by residents of Gdańsk aged 18 to 19 - 16%.



SUMMARY

Communicating about a Waste-to-Energy power plant is a complex, time- and resource-consuming endeavor

To ensure success:

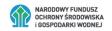
- Collaborate with PR professionals and agencies Don't hesitate to seek external expertise to craft effective messaging.
- **Leverage in-house knowledge** Your internal spokesperson and Marketing/PR team offer valuable insight into the facility's operations and local context.
- **Understand your stakeholders** Take the time to thoroughly analyze your stakeholders, as well as the political and socio-economic landscape.
- **Seek inspiration broadly** Learn from the best in the WtE sector and also from innovative practices in unrelated industries and institutions.
- **Engage trusted voices** Collaborate with scientists, university experts, environmental organizations, influencers, journalists, and writers to strengthen credibility.
- **Respect your audience** Always communicate with clarity, honesty, and respect, adapting your message to diverse groups.











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