

## Review of: "Increasing Renewables and Building Retrofit in a Coal-Based Cogeneration District Heating System"

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The structure of the paper, in terms of subchapter titles, should be more precise (for example, Methodology - the name of the used method in addition). A revision of language and grammar is required, particularly regarding sentence construction - often, they are too long, and the sequence of phrases should be rearranged. Regarding the methodology approach, as well as the research itself, more data should be provided as a basis, since the transition towards results discussion is not quite flawless.

In general, this paper contributes to a better understanding of the possibilities for a sustainable transition by reducing coal usage and phasing it out, which is relevant for the wider region of the Western Balkans.

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