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The future is always over predicted, but still underestimated. We live in a fast changing world, where today's actions shape the future quality of our lives. It would be great if more women could be in decision making positions.

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.What is your current job title and responsibilities?

I am Head of Sustainability and Regulatory Affairs in Iskraemeco and responsible for building a better future in parallel with building a future-proof business for the company. I can say with pride that we are not only following trends, but setting them as well, influencing policy makers and heading them into right directions. On the other side we also have the right competences, capability and projects to achieve all our set goals.

What initially interested you, and lead you to this industry?

My educational background is economics and management, but I'm a huge fan of technology. I travel through life with curiosity on one side and sense of better world on the other. With experiences of being a change maker in the governmental institutions, politics, NGOs I have decided that "we no longer live-in society, but economy" and this is where the biggest change must happen. In the current climate crisis, energy industry is playing crucial role and green and digital energy transition and above all energy efficiency is the key challenge of this decade.

Do you have any insights or advice for other women who may not know this industry as a potential sector for them?

Energy industry nowadays is a sector with the fastest speed of change where emerging technologies are playing an important role. It is a crossroad of energy, digitalization, AI, edge and cloud computing, green transformation, innovation, and new business models. Because of that there are endless opportunities to learn, grow and co-shape our future way of life.

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Do you have any insights into what could be done to encourage more women into this sector?

The first option is to level out management positions and open opportunities for the women already working in the industry. With more women in decision making positions, more young, ambitious, and capable women will be encouraged to join the energy sector.

What do you as a woman bring to the industry?

Persistence would be the first thing to emphasize. Not giving up if you repeatedly hear, since a very early age, a comment like "you will never be able to do this, change this, or achieve something". Then one becomes a real fighter and very goal oriented. Secondly, I would say seeing the bigger picture and looking for the long-term best interest of the people, planet and profit. Women do have a stronger "caring" side which mother nature equipped us with, and I believe in the business world we need to find just the right balance between "competing" and "caring".

Where do you see yourself in five years? What is the big goal?

We have found ourselves in front of the biggest challenge of humanity – to decarbonize our planet and safeguard the lives of future generations. We are now in the pivotal decade, which will be a tipping point for all of us. We have the technologies, we have the resources, but do we have the motivation? In the next 5 to 10 years, I want to be in a position to find ways to use the full potential of technology to meet the demands and challenges of today's world. I wish that our children and grandchildren will say that our generation was on the right side of history.