Personal Profile

Taras Popadynets (UA)

Company

NGO "Geothermal Ukraine"



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Taras Popadynets is a Co-founder and Head of the Board of NGO Geothermal Ukraine.

In 2013, Taras Popadynets graduated from the Ivano-Frankivsk National Technical University of Oil and Gas with a degree in petroleum engineering. In 2020, he graduated with a master's degree from the Ukrainian Catholic University (UCU LvBS), specializing in the Management, program of Innovations.

His professional qualification includes being a drilling and well engineer of oil&gas exploration, production and P&A campaigns. Since 2022 he is also a graduate student (Ph.D. program) at the Ivano-Frankivsk National Technical University of Oil and Gas, Program of Petroleum Engineering and Technology with a research topic of "Technology enhancement for repurposing P&A and orphan oil&gas wells to geothermal". He has been participating in an international business development program between Norway and Ukraine – "Young Entrepreneurs", organized by the Norwegian Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce to enhance collaboration in the energy sector.

From July 2013 till April 2019, he worked as a Drilling Engineer for Eni Ukraine LLC for conventional and unconventional gas projects in Ukraine.

From April 2019 to July 2020, he has been working for Eni International Ltd (Eni S.p.A) in an HQ as a Drilling Quality Engineer.

From November 2020 till October 2022, he has been working as a Well Engineer for UGV (Naftogaz Group), Strategical Projects Department, in a Tight gas project exploration campaign (Yuzivska area).

In April 2022 he co-founded the NGO Geothermal Ukraine, a non-profit organization and was elected as a Head of the Board of the organization. The main area of activity is an R&D activities and feasibility study for shallow and deep geothermal energy projects application, hydrothermal balneological (SPA) application, critical raw materials extraction potential as well as oil and gas legacy inventory repurposing potential evaluation to geothermal for running pilot projects.

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