TRANSFORMER OIL FILTERING, DEGASSING
AND DRYING UNIT

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SPECIFICATION

Adjustable oil flow rate from 300 - 1000 l/h
Heating capacity 2 x 7.5 kW
Adjustable oil temperature range 0 °C – 90 °C
Differential temperature (inlet/outlet) approx. 27 °C
Minimal oil inlet temperature 5 °C
Vacuum pump capacity 63 m³/h
Filter fineness 3 microns
Total power 18 kW

Final oil qualities, after three passes:
- water content 2 - 5 ppm
- gas content 0.05 % Vol

Operating pressure in degassing tank 2 - 9 mbar
Breakdown voltage: ≥ 65

Unit, size 1700 x 900 x 1750 mm
Unit, weight approx. 450 kg
Trailer, size (L x W x H) 3600 x 1300 x 2300 mm
Total weight cca. 600 kg

Above mentioned values after conditioning are guaranteed when treating naphtenic based mineral oils with normal foaming conditions

The Unit is delivered ready for operation, together with:

- control panel, wiring, two connecting hoses for oil (each 10 m long) and safety devices which provides maximum operating security;
- frequency converter for adjustment of flow rate from 30% to 100% of the capacity of the gear pump and digital flow meter
- specially designed system in the degassing tank which provides uniform distribution of the processed oil in the low-pressure environment, in order to achieve best treatment results;
- spare filter cartridge with 3 micron fineness;
- spare heating element;
BRIEFLY ABOUT THE UNIT

The Unit **S1000 Vario** is designed for filtering, drying and degassing of transformer oil.

The model and the example that were kept in mind during development and construction of this Unit were the machines, which proved to be most efficient in operation, built by leading European manufacturers.

All essential parts of the Unit (vacuum pump, gear pump, electromagnetic valve and floater) are produced by leading German manufacturers. Some of the components (such as fine and coarse filters, temperature control, construction of the heaters, gear pump) had to be modified to improve the operation of the Unit and to eliminate shortcomings noticed in the operation of some other machines of this kind.

BRIEFLY ABOUT THE PROCESS

The electrical properties of insulating oil (such as puncture voltage and coefficient of losses) can be considerably improved by its filtering, degassing and dehydration. Only properly and sufficiently filtered and dried oil is suitable for filling up of the transformer. Even brand-new oil is rarely clean enough to be used in high-voltage installations, as it is often already polluted in the transporting barrels and it may absorb too much moisture in contact with air. During its operation, transformer-insulating oil is absorbing moisture over its free surface in the expansion vessel and it becomes polluted by absorbing dirty particles, fibers, soot and aging products. Therefore, oil conditioning has to eliminate the following:

- solid particles
- free and dissolved water
- dissolved gasses

The puncture voltage can be considerably increased and the coefficient of losses $\tan \delta$ improved by filtering, degassing and dehydration of insulating oil to the extent depending on moisture content. The following graph shows insulating oil characteristics in relation to moisture content:
OIL DIELECTRIC STRENGTH VS. MOISTURE CONTENT

Schematic construction of the S1000 Unit is presented in the following drawing:

The details on the particular stages of operation are given with each part of the Unit in the following text.
THE UNIT CONSISTS OF:

1. **Inlet valve**  
   a spherical valve 1” with special “Teflon” gaskets

2. **Coarse filter**  
   as oil is often very polluted, the Unit is fitted with a large sized, easy to open and clean, coarse filter. Oil is conveyed at a reduced flow rate around a strong permanent magnet which retains steel particles and protects the gear pump from damages

3. **Oil heater**  
   15 kW power of the heater is divided into two stages, each of 7.5 kW. Oil is heated indirectly by means of electric heating elements insulated from oil by pipes and air. The heating process is thereby gradually accomplished and, with the sufficiently large heating surface, any damage of oil is excluded. In addition, for each heating stage there is one 2.5 kW heater in each of the six heating pipes. Together with the thermal control (details of which are given in the following text) this allows heating of oil in individual stages, e.g. at higher temperatures quite “tenderly”. Special electrical connection prevents the heater to be turned on if the gear pump is not operating. This is to protect the non-circulating oil from overheating

4. **Safety valve**  
   prevents increase of pressure in case oil is overheated

5. **Safety thermostat**  
   the Unit is equipped with a precise thermostat, acting as a safety thermostat. By means of other (control) thermostat, both heating stages can be controlled. This safety thermostat is designed to allow max. temperature of 90°C, with a construction that allows it both safety and control role.
6. Control thermostat  
Is fitted onto the same housing with safety thermostat. It has an external button for the temperature range from 0°C up to 90°C; the button maximum position is 90°C, thus these control thermostat act as another safety device to prevent oil overheating. Both heating stages are adjusted with this thermostat. The switching on of the second heating stage is delayed via time-relay (that can be adjusted) in order to avoid sudden electric overload. Control thermostat should be adjusted to cca. 60-65 °C which represents an optimal temperature for oil processing.

7. Thermometer  
measures the temperature at the outlet of the oil heater

8. Electromagnetic valve  
a special magnetic valve capable of operating in vacuum, resistant to transformer oil and high temperatures. It controls the oil level in degassing tank

9. Degassing tank  
of a welded construction, with specially shaped separating sheets for equal distribution of oil. Oil is conveyed over the “RASIG” rings, where oil surface is significantly increased and gas fractions can be efficiently separated. In addition, the resting time of oil is increased to the maximum. The degassing tank is equipped with a sight-glass for the visual control of the process, as well as with a special lamp for illumination if the tank interior. The power supply of the lamp is 12 V for safety reasons

10. Floater  
this floater, as essential control equipment, is procured from well-known European manufacturer. It protects the degassing tank from overfilling and, together with electromagnetic valve, prevents the insulating oil to penetrate into the vacuum pump
11. Gear pump
with maximum of 1000 l/h capacity. The capacity of the oil flow can be adjusted via frequency regulator installed at the control panel. Adjustable capacity is from 300 – 1000 l/h. This pump is specially designed to operate under vacuum conditions.

12. Overflow valve
protects the Unit from an excessive rise of pressure in case outlet valve is negligently closed or because of some other reason.

13. Manometer
for reading of fine filter dirtiness, through oil pressure rise. Filter should be cleaned when the pressure rises up to 2.5 bar.

14. Valve
a spherical, closing valve for insulating oil sampling.

15. Fine filter container
the fine filter container is of a size that allows it to accept a standard filter separating particles of 3 microns.

16. Outlet valve
a spherical valve with special “Teflon” gaskets.

17. Air valve
a spherical valve for aeration of the degassing tank in case of an excessive foaming of oil.

18. Sight-glass for process control
equipped with search-light fitted on its left side to illuminate the interior of the degassing tank.

19. Vacuum meter
measures vacuum in the degassing tank.

20. Discharge valve
a spherical valve discharging condensate from the separator.

21. Separator
of a special construction for separation of liquid fractions from gasses which are extracted out of degassing tank. It is equipped with sight-glass for control of separated water.
22. Control panel
It consists of frequency converter, fuses, contactors, electric motors electrical protection, protection relays, transformer, main switch, internal wiring etc., for an automatic operation of the Unit. Control panel is equipped with total-stop taster for immediate shut down of the complete Unit in urgent situations. In addition on the front of control panel, there are three green indicator lights (L1, L2 and L3) for voltage presence. Beside this, above every cam switch, there is also an green light, that serves as an indicator of the current state (on / off) of the respective components. Control panel is equipped with the fan for cooling of its interior. The on/off temperature point for the fan can be adjusted via thermostat positioned in the control panel interior.

23. Vacuum pump
Of 63 m³/h capacity, provides vacuum for operation of the Unit, equipped with a so-called “gas-ballast” valve. Maximal vacuum that could be achieved with this pump is 0.1 mbar.

24. Drainage valve
A spherical valve for drainage of transformer oil from oil heater.

25. Framework
A welded, sectional steel construction, which represents foundation for all described components of the Unit.

26. Electric equipment
Consisting of driving motors for the gear and vacuum pump and of internal wiring of the Unit. Suitable for three-phase, 50 Hz power supply. Unit is delivered with male 63A CEE connection installed at the control panel.
THE UNIT IS SUPPLIED WITH THE FOLLOWING ACCESSORIES:

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<th>29. Two flexible hoses</th>
<th>suction and discharge (1&quot;) hoses are specially designed, suitable for operation under vacuum and with oil. Each hose is 10 m long</th>
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<td>30. Oil tub</td>
<td>oil retaining tub in case of oil leakage. It is placed under the complete Unit with a purpose of preventing environmental accidents and spillage of oil into the surroundings.</td>
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<td>31. Rollers for base frame</td>
<td>rollers are installed for easier manipulation with the Unit. There are 4 swivelling rollers installed at the bottom of base frame.</td>
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPERATION

PREPARATION OF THE UNIT FOR OPERATION

1. Plug the Unit into the power supply source;
2. Connect oil hoses as short as possible;
3. Adjust the thermostats;
4. Close all valves;
5. Turn-on the main power switch;
6. Check the rotation direction by turning on of the pumps, several times in short intervals;
7. Turn-on the vacuum pump and open the “gas ballast” valve;
8. Turn-on the floater, which will automatically turn on the oil level control.

TURNING-ON OF THE UNIT (COMMENCEMENT OF FILTERING, DEGASSING AND DRYING PROCESS)

9. Close the “gas-ballast” valve on the vacuum pump;
10. When vacuum reaches 95 %, open the valve No. 1;
11. Open the valve No. 16 and turn-on the gear pump when oil level reaches the sight-glass level;
12. Adjust the oil flow with valve No. 1 and frequency converter;
13. When oil flow becomes constant, turn on the heaters;
14. If oil foams too much, lower the vacuum by easily opening of the valve No. 17.

UNIT SHUT DOWN

15. Turn-off the heaters. The gear pump shall continue operating for at least another 10 minutes;
16. Turn-off the gear pump;
17. Close the valve No. 1;
18. Leave the vacuum pump in operation for at least another 30 minutes with the “gas ballast” valve open;
19. Turn-off the main power switch;
20. Disconnect the power supply.
## TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE UNITS PRODUCED BY „KONDIC DOO“

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<th>Unit type</th>
<th>S500</th>
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<td>Maximal oil flow (l/h)</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>2000</td>
<td>4000</td>
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<td>9000</td>
<td>12000</td>
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<td>Heating power (kW) (No. of stages)</td>
<td>7 (1x7)</td>
<td>15 (2x7.5)</td>
<td>30 (2x15)</td>
<td>60 (2x30)</td>
<td>90 (2x45)</td>
<td>135 (3x45)</td>
<td>180 (3x60)</td>
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<td>Vacuum pump capacity (m³/h)</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>160</td>
<td>250</td>
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<td>Fine filter (µm)</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>Inlet moisture content (ppm)</td>
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<td>Outlet moisture content (ppm)</td>
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<td>Inlet gas content (%vol.)</td>
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<td>Outlet gas content (%vol.)</td>
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<td>Min. Inlet temperature (°C)</td>
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<td>Differential temperature (inlet/outlet) (Δt °C)</td>
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<td>Dimensions of the Unit (mm) (L/W/H)</td>
<td>1200</td>
<td>1650</td>
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<td>2000</td>
<td>2500</td>
<td>3000</td>
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<td>Weight of the Unit (kg)</td>
<td>400</td>
<td>550</td>
<td>700</td>
<td>1300</td>
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<td>3000</td>
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Unit can be produced in accordance with specific requests of the Client (additional vacuum pump, additional heater, etc.)

Temperature load of the heaters is 1 W/cm².
## TROUBLESHOOTING

If malfunction occurs, the Unit should be checked in accordance with the following Table:

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<th>Problem</th>
<th>Cause of the problem</th>
<th>Remedy</th>
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<td>1. Poor oil throughput (characteristic ringing sound coming from the gear pump indicating that there is not enough oil in degassing tank)</td>
<td>1.1. Dirty coarse filter</td>
<td>1.1. Clean the coarse filter</td>
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<td>1.2. The transformer is placed too low in relation to Unit</td>
<td>1.2. Place the Unit in a better position in relation to the transformer</td>
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<td>1.3. Pressure is too low and the pump operates in foam</td>
<td>1.3. Increase the pressure by adjusting valve No. 17</td>
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<td>1.4. The magnetic valve is closed</td>
<td>1.4. Open the magnetic valve</td>
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<td>2. Oil level in the degassing tank is too high</td>
<td>2.1. The gear pump is not turned on</td>
<td>2.1. Turn-on the gear pump</td>
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<td>2.2. Pressure is too low</td>
<td>2.2. Increase the pressure by opening valve No. 7 easily</td>
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<td>2.3. Outlet valve is closed</td>
<td>2.3. Open the outlet valve</td>
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<td>3. There is constantly too much foam in the degassing tank</td>
<td>3.1. Inlet oil contains water and air</td>
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<td>b) a rip in the feed hose or on some other joints</td>
<td>a) Repair or replace the hose, or repair the rip in the hose joint</td>
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<td>c) flow back of oil to the transformer is not good</td>
<td>b) Ensure that the hose for oil flow-back is immersed in oil</td>
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<td>4. The vacuum pump is overfilled with oil</td>
<td>4.1. Evaporation in the degassing tank is too high</td>
<td>4.1. Drain the oil from the vacuum pump and refill the pump with new oil</td>
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<td>4.2. The condensate separator is over-filled</td>
<td>4.2 Empty the condensate separator (open the valve No. 20 and rise pressure in the degassing tank to reach atmospheric level)</td>
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</table>

**SPECIAL NOTE:**
Whenever the Unit is re-installed and re-energized, the rotation direction of the gear and vacuum pump should be necessary checked, paying special attention to the arrow indicating direction. If the direction is opposite, reverse the phases by adjusting the main switch (no phases reversion is allowed in the motors, as they are adjusted to the Unit).
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3. Stadium "FC Red Star" – Belgrade
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5. JAT – Beograds
6. TIGAR - Pirot
7. Elektrovod - Beograds
8. FAM -Kruševac
9. Electrodistriution - Kragujevac
10. Electrodistriution - Beograds
11. Electrodistriution – Novi Sad
12. Kluz - Beograds
13. Electrodistriution - Pančevo
14. ŽUPA - Kruševac
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16. Rekord – Beograds
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27. Hipol - Odžaci (hidraulično ulje)
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69. "SUNOKO" – Sugar factory Pećinci (turbine oil)
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