Introduction to the Intelligent Energy Europe Programme

Conference « Tools for Supporting Sustainable Development Policy »

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EU energy and climate policy

EU 2020 TARGETS

- 20% less greenhouse gas emissions
- 20% share of renewables in the energy mix
- 20% better energy efficiency
EU funding for sustainable energy

Cohesion policy support

7th Framework Programme for research and technological development

Intelligent Energy Europe programme
Cohesion Policy Recovery Measures

Investing in the real economy: build confidence, offer stability & secure source of financing.

- Accelerate implementation – e.g. boost advances €6.25 billion, intermediate payments to major projects and state aid schemes
- Facilitating the management of financial engineering instruments. JESSICA/JASPERS/JEREMIE – partners for sustainable energy
Focus on sustainable energy

- Amendment ERDF Art. 7 – eligibility for RES & EE investments in housing (adopted 6 May).

- Allocation to EE and RES investments in residential sector cannot exceed 4% of the total ERDF allocation to the MS for 2007-2013.

- MS shall define categories of eligible housing in national rules with objective of supporting social cohesion.

- No requirement to modify OPs.
INTELLIGENT ENERGY EUROPE

The power to innovate

- €730 million from 2007-2013
- To remove the non-technological barriers to energy efficiency and renewable energy sources
- No R&D funding, no support to hardware
- IEE now supports up to 75% of eligible costs
- One call every year
- New technical assistance instrument (with European Investment Bank)
On-going IEE projects

More than 2000 organisations from 31 countries

- Carry out 400+ European projects
- Set up ~60 local/regional energy agencies

Intelligent Energy
WHAT IS AN “IEE PROJECT”? 

- A project to help deliver the EU climate and energy objectives
- Falling within the scope of the IEE annual Work Programme
- Focus on knowledge transfer, training/skills, market/policy analyses, innovative methods/tools = real changes on the ground
- Investments in “hardware” or RTD projects are not supported
- Involving at least 3 partners from 3 different countries
- Duration 2 to max. 3 years
- Average €1 Million per project
Objectives:

- Prepare the ground for more and better use of EU Structural Funds during 2007-2013 and beyond
- Guidelines for planning intelligent energy actions within EU Cohesion Policies
- Energy Master Plans in 8 rural regions of Europe, including Poviat Nowa Sol Region
  - 4 projects on biogas, hydropower, gaseification of waste, building refurbishment

Participants:
WIP (DE)
Co-ordinator

+ 12 partners from BE, CZ, DE, EE, GR, HU, IT, LT, LV, PL, SK

1.2 M€ (50% EU contribution)

From Jan. 2006 to Jun. 2008

www.e4c.org
Objectives:

- To make Managing Authorities aware, able, and willing to take into account energy aspects when promoting and managing Structural and Cohesion Funds.
- During the project period (2007-2009), specific support tools are developed and various information seminars, trainings, and conferences are organised.
- The Managing Authorities in BG, CY, CZ, PL and RO are trained to better promote and manage the energy related priorities of their Operational Programmes.

Participants:
SenterNovem (NL) Co-ordinator
+ 10 partners from AT, BG, CY, CZ, DE, FR, GR, PL, RO

0.9 M€ (50% EU contribution)

From Jan. 2007 to Aug. 2009

www.promoscene.eu
CONCERTED ACTION on the Energy Services Directive (CA ESD)

Objectives:

- To enhance and structure the sharing of information and experience from national implementation and promote best practices between Member States (and between Member States and the Commission);

- To complement the work of the Committee overseeing the ESD and the ongoing standardization work and help Member States implement the Directive.

Participants:
SenterNovem (NL)

Co-ordinator

+ representatives of all 27 Member States + Croatia

3 M€ (100% EU contribution)

From Jun. 2008 to Jun. 2011

www.esd-ca.eu
The BUILD UP web portal

The European web portal for energy efficiency in buildings.

NEW! On-line since 16 June 09

www.buildup.eu
Information resources

http://ec.europa.eu/intelligentenergy

http://www.iee-library.eu/