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The meetMED team in Brussels coordinates the project partners and experts in implementing the project activities, in the following areas of work: assessing EE and RES strategies and policies; advancing vocational training and public awareness; attracting sustainable RE and EE investments; supporting the UfM Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Platform.

The meetMED activities target and benefit a wide range of stakeholders, including policy makers, public authorities, investors and financial institutions as well as local communities and final customers. meetMED supports regional cooperation by building the technical capacity and raising the public awareness necessary to implement RE and EE projects and solutions, while creating synergies with other initiatives targeting energy transition in the Mediterranean region.

MEDENER is an international non-profit organization gathering agencies from the northern and southern Mediterranean countries in charge of implementing public policies on energy efficiency and the promotion of renewable energy sources, by implementing regional projects facilitating the sharing of know-how and best practices among its members and international partners, as well as accelerating the transfer of skills, methods and technologies in the field of energy efficiency and renewable energy.

RCREEE is an intergovernmental organization aiming at enabling the adoption of renewable energy and energy efficiency practices in the Arab region. RCREEE brings together regional governments and global organizations to initiate and lead clean energy policy dialogues, strategies, technologies and capacity development in order to increase Arab states’ share of tomorrow’s energy. Its key work areas are capacity development and learning, policies and regulations, research and statistics, and technical assistance.
Foreword

This meetMED publication contains the materials for a professional training, which aims to build the technical capacity of national and local authorities to design, finance and implement EE and RE solutions. It provides in fact the sustainable energy toolkit for public authorities, which can be further replicated for the benefit of all countries in the Mediterranean region.

The package include modules on a variety of topics: the energy policy in general terms, the role of public authorities leading by example in the adoption of EE and RE measures, the energy planning, the role of energy managers, the financing instruments, the role of energy communities and the Covenant of Mayors, the smart cities and the energy intensive sectors, such as lighting, water and public buildings.

Professional training is indeed the central effort made by regional cooperation to fill the institutional and financial gaps and build the technical capacity of national and local authorities to implement strategies, enforce projects, mobilise investments and raise public awareness in the fields of RE and EE - promoting the benefit of implementing sustainable policies at local level as a key contribution in the fight against climate change and to the achievement of the National Determined Contributions (NDCs).

Public authorities, both at national and local level, are at the forefront in the promotion, deployment, and scaling up of renewable energy and energy efficiency solutions (including participatory planning for resilient urban development) that are compatible with climate action and with securing a high quality of life for their citizens. In the short term, they are in the best position to lead by example on the benefits of investing in renewables and energy efficiency, which are consistent with the specificities of national energy markets that affect consequently to the private sector and the civil society.

In this context, the meetMED training materials provide the essential sustainable energy toolkit for public authorities to design and finance sustainable energy projects. Reference for the toolkit is the EU regulation - a comprehensive model of advanced legal frameworks - and the ongoing technical projects of regional cooperation, such as CES–MED, SUDEP, INSMART, Climate South.

This meetMED training package on sustainable energy toolkit for local authorities was designed by meetMED experts from ADENE (Portugal), ANME (Tunisia), CRES
(Greece) and ENEA (Italy). The training materials were first used in a 5-days training held in Algeria in June 2019 and delivered by meetMED experts from ADENE (Portugal), ALMEE (Lebanon), ANME (Tunisia), APRUE (Algeria), CRES (Greece) and ENEA (Italy).

The publication of the meetMED training package is strongly aimed at making it available for replication in the future in order to build the technical capacity of public authorities in the Mediterranean region in implementing EE and RE measures. All the credit goes to the experts from the national energy agencies and ministries of the 13 meetMED countries who prepared and conducted this training - under the restless coordination of CRES (Greece), ANME (Tunisia) and RCREEE.

The constant support and commitment of MEDENER and RCREEE have ensured the active engagement of the meetMED national experts and of the meetMED team that worked hard for the organization of the meetMED training course and for the preparation of this publication. All credits go primarily to them...

Matteo Barra
meetMED Project Manager
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About the Training Package

This toolkit includes guidelines for public authorities on the use of sustainable energy design and financing tools as well as guidelines for improving multi-level governance in the Mediterranean area in the field of sustainable energy planning and for better adaptation of the EU legislation to local contexts in the Mediterranean countries.

The first meetMED training seminar will take place on 07-11 July 2019 in Algiers, Algeria.

Its purpose is to train public authorities to use a sustainable energy policy design toolkit, which has been jointly elaborated by ADENE, ANME, CRES and ENEA.
Training Packages
0. meetMED Project

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Summary of the Presentation

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meetMED brings together more than 60 experts from national energy agencies and ministries, whose common goal is to exchange best practices, to train professionals and to raise public awareness on sustainable energy choices and investments. The meetMED activities target and benefit a wide range of stakeholders, including policy makers, public authorities, energy stakeholders, investors and financial institutions as well as local communities and final customers at large.
Due to the importance of the Mediterranean region as the key area where energy transition to clean and sustainable energy is possible in the next following years, meetMED supports regional cooperation in the field of RE and EE not only by facilitating the exchange of best practices between all its partners and by raising capacity building and public awareness, but also by creating synergies with other initiatives targeting the Mediterranean region, such as the ClimaMed, SwitchMed, MedStat and EuroMed Cities.

The meetMED team in Brussels coordinates the project partners in implementing the project activities, which concern mainly the following areas of work: assessing EE and RES strategies and policies; advancing vocational training and public awareness; attracting sustainable RE and EE investments in target countries; supporting the UfM Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Platform.

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- Context
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Summary of the Presentation

This training is built on a practical approach to provide the participants with a hand-on sustainable energy design toolkit.

Public authorities in charge of planning, municipal authorities, engineers, managers involved in energy issues are the targeted participants to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to facilitate the planning and the implementation of a sustainable energy policy in a context of improved multi-level governance.

The program of the training is elaborated and animated by experts with a proven
expertise in professional training and the implementation of national and regional operational programmes, it’s structured in three main packages treating the general framework of energy policy in EU and nationally with focus on the indicators, the actions for energy planning, programmes, tools and the role of energy managers, then finally, the financing instruments through the funding mechanisms and incentives.

The participants from the South and East Mediterranean countries, namely, Algeria, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco and Tunisia are invited to interact amongst themselves and with trainers, to share their experiences, discuss the barriers, seek solutions and thus contribute towards an accurate sustainable energy planning at the local level.
About the Author

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Summary of the Presentation

**The challenges of cities**

Cities are important centres for energy consumption, as they gather many people and activities. The most energy-intensive sectors are buildings and transportation. As modern cities developed and expanded thanks to abundant and cheap energy, they must now keep under control their energy consumption and find efficient and low-polluting supply solutions.

Cities now have a responsibility to lead energy policies at the local level and to implement them.

**Fields of intervention of local authorities**

Local authorities can also initiate the energy transition through urban planning policies. The four pillars on which their strategies shall be based are:
• The supply dimension: namely, production of energy, infrastructures, supply;
• The demand dimension: namely, consumers, buildings, urban setting
• The social dimension: namely, socio-cultural sensitivity; human, technological and economic resources, acceptability
• The governance dimension: meaning, local regulatory framework, incentives and subsidies, communication.

The success of the energy transition is strictly related to the initiatives of the local authorities. The recent legislative changes towards decentralization have given new skills and new tools to local authorities in the field of energy policy. In this context, understanding each other's roles and fields of action is essential.

International best practices

In this context, many international experiences covering these four pillars have been implemented and have yielded interesting results. Examples include the cold and heat networks (DHC), urban planning in Copenhagen, buses in Curitiba in Brazil and Buenos Aires in Argentina, the creation of a metropolitan transport agency in Montreal and the London congestion charge.

In Tunisia, a program entitled Alliance of Communes for Energy Transition (ACTE), launched in 2015. Focused on Tunisian municipalities, ACTE aims to strengthen the capacity of local communities to contribute at their levels to the national energy transition, by controlling energy and using renewable energies.

The ACTE program provides for a national financial support mechanism that enables local authorities to benefit from the triple support of (i) technical assistance from ANME and its local relay experts to be deployed on Tunisian territory; (ii) legal and institutional support for the structuring of investment projects; and (iii) financial support for the development of local actions.

As a reminder, the ACTE support system provides triple support to local authorities:

• Direct or indirect technical assistance;
• Legal and institutional support for the structuring of investment projects, the elaboration of energy performance contracts and the development of management methods best suited to the public service concerned;
• Support for the mobilization of financial support.

By choosing six areas of intervention – i.e Urban Planning and Construction, Transport and Mobility, Municipal Heritage, Diversification of Energy Sources, Monitoring and Evaluation, Communication and Cooperation) - ANME decided to align with the
methodological framework of the European Energy Award (eea®), which will serve as a basis for the creation, in Tunisia, of a managing-monitoring system and energy certification at the local level: the label “ACTE”. The eea® is a quality management system for sustainable energy development in municipalities, which is used as a basis for the analysis, planning, monitoring / monitoring and evaluation of municipal energy policies. Adapted to the context of North Africa thanks to its introduction in Morocco, eea® fostered the creation of the “Middle East & Africa Energy Award” (mea), which is likely to bring together the municipalities of Middle East and Africa involved in the same process of sustainable energy development.

The Module’s Contents

- Challenges
- Fields of intervention of local authorities
- International best practices

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II. Energy Policy in EU and Nationally

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Summary of the Presentation

The first part of the training session was dedicated to the Energy Union: its context, strategy and governance were explained. In particular, the “Clean Energy for All European Package” was examined, with a focus on the policy packages addressing priority 3: “A resilient energy union with a forward-looking climate change policy”. The session particularly dealt with the:
• revised Energy Performance in Buildings Directive (EPBD) 2018/844/EU;

The second part of the training session was dedicated to the National Energy and Climate Plans (NECPs), with a focus on the Italian proposal (as an example), and a final statement on the setting up of a long-term strategy to strongly decarbonise by 2050. During this session, the difficulties to implement specific measures to reach challenging targets has been stressed.

The third part of the training session was dedicated to the beneficiary countries: an overview (2 slides per country) of the energy consumption, strategies, and policies in Algeria, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, and Tunisia was given, with a special analysis on Algeria.

The final part of the training session was dedicated to the discussion with the audience.
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- Building the energy union
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- Clean Energy for all Europeans
- Energy Efficiency first
- More renewable energy sources
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- Energy consumption strategies and policies in Algeria
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- Energy consumption strategies and policies in Libya
- Energy consumption strategies and policies in Morocco
- Energy consumption strategies and policies in Palestine
- Energy consumption strategies and policies in Tunisia
- NECPs – Italy

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III. National Energy Policy – Indicators ODYSSEE-MURE

About the Author

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Summary of the Presentation

The intervention started by giving an overview of the Odysse – MURE project and the related databases developed as support tools for EE policy evaluation. The main results achieved by implementing the project and the advantages for the public authorities were presented:

- the EU and EE agencies supported the implementation of the project for 22 years;
- the main policy implementers are 32 partners from EU28, Norway, Serbia and Switzerland;
• Link between EE Indicators and EE policies:
  • ODYSSEE: 200 comparable EE indicators;
  • MURE: 2500 EE policy measures;
• 2 updates per year (light and definitive);
• Trainings for 3000 people.

The first part of the training session was dedicated to the ODYSSEE database and its monitoring tools; particularly, it was stressed that having an easy access to reliable and very well updated information regarding EE indicators trends facilitates a good governance for the public authorities. It was explained that the instruments provided by the ODYSSEE database could facilitate a periodic monitoring and evaluation of the impact of the policies implemented. An overview of the main ODYSSEE EE indicators used to assess the progress in EE and to measure energy savings have been illustrated and some empirical examples of measuring EE progress have been identified and discussed. A special focus was dedicated to benchmarking tools, whose objective is to enable a specific country to compare itself with another country(-ies) of its choice by adjusting the different indicators to its own characteristics.

The second part of the training session was dedicated to explaining how MURE database contributes to shaping policy measures and how its policy tools were developed. During this session, it has been stressed that the database has been elaborated to help public authorities to easily have access to all the EE measures implemented by sector and by specific area as well as to identify which are the most successful measures and what their impacts are. It was pointed out that the MURE database includes a semi-quantitative impact assessment for almost all policy measures, classified as having a low, medium or high impact.

The final part of the training session was dedicated to answering some questions on Odyssee – MURE projects by the participants.
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- The Project
- EE indicators – ODYSSEE
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- Some examples
- Conclusions

Principle of calculation of energy efficiency index*

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How to analyze trend in EEI?

- Summarise the trends by homogenous period: instead of showing annual trends with multiple fluctuations that are always difficult to explain.
- In the example below there are clearly two main periods:

Benchmarking tool

Scoreboard: country position

- The objective is to display the position of a given country vis-à-vis the best country (or any country or EU average).

Conclusion: indicators and policies

- Policy makers need data and indicators to monitor the impact of their actions, to prepare new policy measures and to assess long-term energy savings potentials.
- Data needed are not just merely the usual energy statistics from the energy balance but more detailed data by end use.
- Strategies have to be defined to collect such data, in a consistent and cost-effective way:
  - by combining detailed surveys every 2 to 3 years with modelling or lighter surveys in between
  - by imposing reporting requirements to utilities, equipment manufacturers, utilities → exchange of international experience is very useful in that matter.

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Summary of the Presentation

The decline of conventional energy resources and the emergence of renewable energy technologies make energy planning necessary to better choose the most appropriate options.

Energy planning involves all stakeholders, public and private, and constitutes a concrete PPP exercise. However, it must be led by governmental entities and must follow a continuous process, including political commitment and clear strategic vision, the promotion of the Public-Private Partnerships, mobilization of funding, capacity building for public and private stakeholders, promoting dissemination and information sharing.

For a successful energy planning, private and public stakeholders must play complementary roles by engaging at different levels:

- Design and pilot: Government;
- Consolidate and support: the technical and territorial governmental agencies;

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- Orienting and influencing: professional organizations and bodies, NGOs and universities.
- Implementation: financial stakeholders and local authorities.

**Energy policy is based on 6 essential and complementary instruments, namely:**

1. **Institutions:** creation of a dedicated body that is responsible for coordinating and implementing state policy. This organization is endorsed by sectoral organizations and utility providers.

2. **Regulatory and legal framework:** guides the market towards high-performance technologies and contributes to the development of certain sectors. This tool is generally used to introduce binding measures (Energy Audit, Thermal Regulation of Buildings, Labelling, MEPS, etc...) but also to boost certain technologies (Cogen, ER, ESCO, etc...)

3. **Technical support:** aimed at providing a range of services and technologies for the development of EE and RES (Energy auditors, Energy managers in companies, Applicators and installers of EE solutions, ...).

4. **Financing:** offers investors (citizens and enterprises) innovative and integrated financing solutions in order to make investments in EE projects and RES more attractive.

5. **Taxes:** used to reduce (or eliminate) taxes on the imports and the marketing of equipment for the EE and RE sectors, whilst taxing energy-intensive equipment (cars, air conditioners, lamps, etc...).

6. **Communication:** cross-cutting tool to make consumers aware of the benefits of EE and RES and to help influence their behaviour through promotional campaigns.

**Case of Tunisia**

Tunisia needs an ambitious energy goal to build a better future. The energy system faces multidimensional challenges: strategic, economic, societal and environmental, hence the need for a global vision that proposes innovative solutions.

This new vision is based on a balance of three fundamental dimensions: energy security, equitable energy distribution and governance as well as sustainable political and economic development.

The main objectives are securing and diversifying energy supply in the country, boosting programmes promoting energy efficiency and integrating renewable energy
in the energy mix as well as reforming price structures and subsidies.

The choice of multiple time horizons allows to influence the societal trends and to consider the technological breaks:

- **2020**: launch of RE projects and the regulation of the energy sector;
- **2030**: development of clean energies, production of hydrocarbons and upgrade of energy infrastructures.
- **2050**: possible social and technological disruptions as well as possible convergence towards a model for sustainable energy.

In 2016, Tunisia adopted an energy transition strategy that sets out the conditions for a gradual change in the current energy model. This strategy sets the goals to be achieved by 2030: reducing energy demand by 30% and increasing the share of RES in the electricity mix up to 30%.

In parallel with this strategy, Tunisia adopted ambitious climate targets by ratifying the “Paris Agreement in October 2016 (Law No. 2016-72). As part of its implementation, Tunisia plans to reduce the carbon intensity of the Tunisian economy by 41% in 2030 compared to 2010 levels.

To achieve these objectives, Tunisia has adopted a set of innovative measures, programs and mechanisms, including: energy audits, thermal regulation of new buildings, energy labelling of household appliances, self-production of electricity from the RES, cogeneration, Energy Service Establishments (ESCOs), the program for the promotion of the insulation of roofs of individual housing – PROMOISOL, the program of Promotion of solar energy for the production of domestic hot water - PROSOL Thermique, the Solar Power Promotion Program for Generating Electricity for Low Voltage Subscribers - PROSOL Electrical, the Energy Transition Fund (ETF), monitoring indicators (i.e. the elasticity between economic growth and primary energy consumption and primary energy intensity).
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- **PART I: GENERALITIES**
  - The Process
  - The Instruments

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  - The vision
  - The evaluation of what is already existing
  - Goal setting
  - Financing solutions
  - Commitment of the action plan
  - Monitoring indicators

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V. Covenant of Mayors

The Author

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Summary of the Presentation

The Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy

Developed by the EU Commission in 2008, the initiative now supports 9600 local and regional authorities in 50 countries (326 million citizens) to achieve climate change and sustainable energy objectives according to their Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans (SECAPs) in the area of energy access, mitigation and adaptation. In the Mediterranean region, the CoM is active in Algeria, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Tunisia. In order to achieve the new (2015) objective of -40% CO2 by 2030, the CoM provides its members with administrative, institutional, technological, scientific and financial support.

Inventory of greenhouse gases (GHG)

The inventory of GHG emissions (T/year) is the central tool to monitor the current level of direct global emissions and their variations, to test policies and measures as well as to formulate scenarios for the future in relation to buildings, public lighting, waste, water treatment, transport, agriculture and industry.

Some examples of Sustainable Energy Action Plan (SEAP) and Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plan (SECAP)

The SECAP of Sid Bel-Abbès (DZ), Osona (ES), Copenhagen (DK) provide an interesting example of an inventory of GHG emission in relation to the local SECAP.
The Module’s Contents

- The Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy
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- Some examples of Sustainable Energy Action Plan (SEAP) and Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plan (SECAP)

Preview of some of the slides. This Module has 66 Slides.

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VI. The Role of Energy Managers

About the Author

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Summary of the Presentation

This training session mainly focused on the role of energy manager as well as on energy management and monitoring.

The first session focused on the role of the energy manager. There, the energy use patterns and trends were addressed, with special reference to the changing concept of energy management and the increasing complexity of this job than a few years ago. Energy and facility managers are being pushed to reinvent themselves and they have to set priorities. Given this, the training session examined how to determine the
energy savings and minimize energy use in buildings by reducing energy wastage. Best practices for HVAC systems, informatic equipment, lighting systems, electric motors were also presented. Moreover, special attention was given to the energy monitoring through measurement and verification. Measurement and Verification is the process of planning, measuring, collecting and analysing data in order to verify and report energy savings in an individual facility, which result from the implementation of energy conservation measures.

The second session was dedicated to practical examples: For instance, how to calculate the corresponding average monthly energy use for your installation or how much is produced by a renewable energy equipment (like PV systems). The practical session explained also how to calculate energy efficiency savings and gave an example of a Measurement and Verification (M&V) process aimed at increasing energy savings, reducing the cost for financing projects, encouraging better project engineering, increasing public understanding of energy management as a public policy tool and helping national industrial organisations promote and achieve resource efficiency and environmental objectives.
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- Role of energy manager
- How to manage energy
  - Tools for energy management
- Energy monitoring
  - Example: Energy Barometer
- Measurement and Verification (M&V)
- Energy Audit example
- Energy efficiency measures study:
  - Lighting;
  - HVAC;
  - Motors;
  - Equipment
- Measurement and Verification (M&V) example

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VII. Financing Instruments – Funding Mechanisms

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Summary of the Presentation

In the attempt to provide the Algerian Municipalities with new means to meet their commitment towards the Covenant of Mayors, ALMEE presented the International Financing Instruments (IFIs) that are active in Algeria and discussed the project cycles and assessment criteria of some of the IFIs with the strongest presence in the region, such as the European Union, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the French Agency for Development (AFD) and the KfW Development Bank.

As an alternative or complement to IFIs funding, ALMEE presented the available financing mechanisms for sustainable development projects in municipalities by discussing property taxes approaches, green bonds and capital markets, secondary markets, crowdfunding, public private partnerships (PPP) and last but not least, Energy Performance Contracting.

ALMEE analyzed Energy Performance Contracting (EPC) thoroughly, detailing the
Energy performance contract and the selection and tendering of EPC projects. EPC is a creative financing method that allows financing energy efficiency upgrades from cost reductions. This has many advantages for municipalities, as the financing risks, planning and execution of the EE upgrades are transferred to the contracting Energy Company.

The public financing process for Energy saving projects as well as the local actors involved were, then, discussed.

Finally, guidelines for Algerian municipalities relative to Energy saving projects funding. Preparation and implementation of SEAP and national guidelines for securing funding for Municipal Energy projects were presented.

The Module’s Contents

- Financing instruments
- Financing Mechanisms
- Energy Performance Contracting (EPC)

- Municipality Funding Guidelines for Algeria
- References

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Summary of the Presentation

The scope of the intervention during the training seminar was to inform the participants of the energy-intensive sectors in the municipalities and their energy saving potential. More specifically, the public lighting, water supply and transportation sectors were analysed as these are the most energy intensive sectors in the municipalities. The training material consisted of the presentation of:

- The general terms and definitions of each of the sectors. This included a very short presentation of the existing technologies and requirements, which could be followed by both technical and non-technical participants.
- The current situation and existing practices in both EU member states and non-member states.
- The commercial energy saving measures and technologies available.
• Public procurement procedures and criteria which optimize the energy saving potential.
• Monitoring and verification methodologies of energy performance and energy savings.

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- Design for buildings’ compliance with the National Energy Performance Building Directive (EPBD) 2010/31/EC;
- Application of zonal modelling tools (thermo-radiative models, heat transfer, energy consumption calculations) for energy performance assessments of buildings;
- Application of field models (mass, momentum, turbulence, thermal energy, chemical species) for assessing comfort and air quality conditions in living spaces;
- Coupled field and zonal modelling for assessing building energy performance considered the external microclimate.

Summary of the Presentation

The scope of the intervention during the training seminar was to inform the participants of the implementation of gradual energy renovation plans for public buildings. More specifically, the training material consisted of the presentation of:
The Module’s Contents

- Key objectives and common challenges
- Initial sample of buildings
- Classification of the initial set of priority buildings
- Energy analysis of the “Ambassador” buildings
- Processing of key performance indicators
- Gradual Renovation Planning

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Energy Intensive Areas in Municipalities (3)

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Summary of the Presentation

The content of the presentation concerning “Energy intensive areas in municipalities” is to inform the relative stakeholders and decision makers working in the public sector on the technical issues related to energy at municipal level. In many cases it has been proven that decision makers are willing to improve the social factors, which are reflecting in the life of the citizens, but sometimes technical and specialized knowledge is missing.

In this intervention, focus was given to transportation and mobility. In previous parts Public Lighting and Water Supply have been analysed.

When dealing with a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan, the objective is to satisfy the
mobility needs of people and businesses in the city (and surroundings) for a better quality of life. The designing of the Plan can build on existing planning practices and take under consideration principles of integration, participation, and evaluation. In this intervention, the 11 steps for the ultimate designing have been presented (Determination of the potential, Definition of the development process, Analysis of the local mobility status and development of scenarios, Development of a common vision, Setting of Priorities and Measurable Targets, Development of effective packages of measures, Definition of responsibilities and allocation of budgets, Definition of a Monitoring and assessment plan, Implementation of the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan, Establishment of proper management and communication, Identification of gaps/learn the lessons). All the steps were followed by examples of best practices applied in municipalities in Europe.
IX. Smart Cities

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Summary of the Presentation

When dealing with issues of efficiency, especially on a larger scale as is a City, the application of technological and digital trends can enhance the ultimate results. Therefore, the idea of a Smart City has emerged, as of a place where traditional networks and services are made more efficient with the use of digital and telecommunication technologies for the benefit of the inhabitants and business.

In this intervention, the concept of a Smart City was analyzed, starting with the presentation of the European innovation partnership on smart cities and communities (EIP-SCC), an initiative supported by the European Commission that brings
together cities, industry, small business (SMEs), banks, research etc, aiming at improving the urban life through more sustainable integrated solutions and addresses city-specific challenges from different policy areas such as energy, mobility and transport, and ICT. The idea of this initiative is to build on the engagement of the public, industry and other interested groups to develop innovative solutions and participate in city governance.

The main issues that should be taken under consideration by a stakeholder or a decision maker concerning the Smart Cities were also presented in this intervention. The priorities that should be established, the policies that should be considered or drafted, the interaction with the single market are the first issues to examine. In order to proceed to a more detailed review, the specific issues that the Smart Cities deal with were mentioned: Energy, Sustainable Transportation, Waste, Biodiversity etc. Finally, the starting points necessary to develop Strategies and Plans which are needed to be defined in order to meet with the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals were presented, followed by the European Energy Award which motivates the municipalities to take action in the field of energy and climate protection.
The Module’s Contents

- Definition
- European innovation partnership on smart cities and communities
- Priorities of the EIP-SCC partnership
- EIP-SCC marketplace
- Related policies
  - Digital single market and smart cities
- Energy and smart cities
- Sustainable transport for smart cities
- The needs for developing “Smart City Strategies” and implementing “Smart City Plans”
- Starting points for development of Smart City plans

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X. Energy Communities

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Summary of the Presentation

Energy Communities is a recent legal form aiming to the facilitation of promotion of clean energy with the active involvement of communities in the energy sector, resulting direct benefiting from energy projects locally. More specifically, Renewable energy communities involve generation of energy from renewable sources and technologies, which are partly or wholly owned by local communities.

Since the benefits from the involved communities are important and strong (economic development, creation of new jobs, cheaper energy, self-sufficiency, community cohesion, energy security) the particularities of such projects needed to be underlined. Therefore, this intervention, after presenting the benefits, focused on the challenges...
that need to be taken under consideration in order to strengthen base foundations for the implementation of a successful Energy Community.

The analysis of existing models is considered also helpful in order to valorize different social, geographical, economical and other factors that result to the definition of the ultimate choice of the structure which the energy community should have. The various Legal forms that a Community can have were presented and then the intervention focused on the available technical options. Finally, specific recommendations concerning awareness, expertise, finance and legal frameworks were analyzed.

Successful regulatory frameworks which have proven effective in other countries can be used as a best practice example to duplicate or adopt. Net metering, ESCOs, RES-coop cooperation have been implemented in European countries and their advantages and experience have been presented.
The Module’s Contents

- Overview
- Main objectives
- Main benefits
- Main challenges
- Models
- Legal forms
- Technical options
- Recommendations
- Awareness

Finance
- Expertise and guidance
- Legal frameworks and regulation
- Net metering
- Virtual metering
- ESCO
- REScoop and its advantages

General Benefits
- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions
- Increased social acceptance of renewable energies
- Involvement of Communities in decision-making
- Direct benefits from the projects locally

Models
- Typical business models can include:
  - cooperatives
  - charities
  - development trusts
  - businesses with community-only shareholders
- The model of the Community is determined by the stakeholders involved, resource availability and community demand.
- The Community can be run on a not-for-profit basis to provide cheap, or discounted, energy for a marginalized or rural community, or can be run as a profit-making enterprise to bring additional income to an area.

Technical options
- Renewable energy projects can vary in scale, and larger scale installations require greater management and maintenance capacity.
- Larger systems will also require greater capital investment, but once investment is recovered, benefits are higher, and money saved (or even earned) through community energy can be reinvested in new community programmes and infrastructure.
- It is rarer for a community to run a utility-scale project, which are significantly more complicated and need greater expertise and capital investment. In particular, utility-scale projects face tougher environmental and planning barriers.

Expertise and Guidance
- Regional authorities can organise workshops and educational efforts to build capacity for the creation of community energy organisations, and can support the training of individuals for managing and maintaining renewable energy technologies;
- Authorities can also ensure that expertise is available when needed by community developers, by providing an information point dedicated to community energy development. This can be done in-house, or through development of independent organisations such as Community Energy England and Community Energy Scotland;
- Local government departments should be available to help community energy planners with regulatory issues such as land use planning, permitting and environmental regulation;
- Authorities can designate public infrastructure, such as large roofs, closed landfills, dam faces, or reservoir tops for renewable energy community development, as was done at Malta’s Tal-Fiddien Reservoir.

REScoop
- Typical 7 principles:
  - Voluntary and Open Membership
  - Democratic Member Control
  - Economic Participation through Direct Ownership
  - Autonomy and Independence
  - Education, Training and Information
  - Cooperation among Cooperatives
  - Concern for Community
- All citizens are eligible to join a REScoop. After purchasing a cooperative share and becoming a member or co-owner of local RES and EE projects, members share in the profits and often are given the opportunity to buy the electricity at a fair price.
- In addition, members can actively participate in the cooperative: they can decide in what and where the REScoop should invest, and are consulted when setting the energy price.

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