

PRESS RELEASE

EPATEE: Project on the evaluation of energy efficiency policies launched

The EU funded project EPATEE (Evaluation Into Practice to Achieve Targets for Energy Efficiency) is launched in May 2017 by 10 European partners. It aims to give EU Member States tools and knowledge for a better evaluation of their own energy efficiency policies. The project will last 30 months.

How to determine successful energy efficiency policies?

The EU Directives on energy efficiency such as the Energy Efficiency Directive (EED) or the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD) trigger a great variety of policies in EU Member States. But how effective are these policies in achieving energy savings targets? Several barriers limit policy evaluation and thus hinder target-based adaptations of energy efficiency policies.

Engaging and activating policy makers and implementers

EPATEE will raise the capacity of policymakers and implementers for policy evaluation by providing them with tools and practical knowledge to make consistent impact evaluation an integral part of the policy cycle. It will support EU Member States in distinguishing effective from ineffective policies.

This support will be based on analysis of existing evaluation experiences regarding a range of instruments, such as energy efficiency obligation schemes, regulations, financial incentives and voluntary agreements. Lessons learnt from these examples will provide the basis for the development of guidelines and good practice evaluation tools. .

Materials to support policy makers and implementers

Based on the lessons learnt from existing evaluation examples, guidelines and good practice evaluation tools will be developed. A set of 20 to 30 tools enabling state-of-the-art evaluation will be developed and integrated into a smart online toolbox, which interactively assists users in picking the most relevant tool for their specific need.

Experience sharing and peer-learning

The guidance material developed in EPATEE will provide the basis for target-oriented experience sharing and capacity building. Findings will be shared with policymakers through peer-learning workshops, webinars, and other means of communication and dissemination.

10 Partners from 8 European countries

A pool of 10 partners are leading the EPATEE project. They are already involved in previous or current projects about energy efficiency policies (CA EED, Odyssee-Mure, Enspol, multEE, PublEnef...):

- Austrian Energy Agency (AEA) coordinator of the project Austria
- Agence de l'environnement et de la maîtrise de l'énergie (ADEME) France
- Association Technique Energie Environnement (ATEE) France
- Energy research Centre of the Netherlands (ECN) Netherlands
- Energy Institute Hrvoje Pozar (EIHP) Croatia
- Federation for energy efficiency (FIRE) Italy
- Fraunhofer Institut für System- und Innovationsforschung (Fraunhofer ISI) Germany
- Institute for European Energy & Climate Policy (IEECP) Netherlands
- Lithuanian Energy Institute (LEI) Lithuania
- Motiva Oy (Motiva) Finland

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