**BUILD2LC PROJECT**

**Challenges in setting up new financing and supporting instruments with EU funds for energy rehabilitation of buildings: feedback for successful projects**

**Interregional Seminar at Vilnius, Lithuania**

**10-11 January 2017**

**DAY 1 – 10 January 2017**

Venue: ARTIS Centrum Hotels, Totorių str. 23, Vilnius 01120

8:30 – 9:00 **Registration & Welcome Coffee**

9:00 – 9:30 **Welcome opening and keynote speech**

*Tsvyatko Velikov, DG Regional and Urban Policy of the European Commission*

*Gvidas Dargužas*, VIPA CEO (Lithuania)

*Cristóbal Sánchez*, Andalusian Energy Agency General Manager (Andalusia)

**SESSION 1 – New strategies to allocate EU funding to energy renovation of buildings**

9:30 – 10:00 **ESIF support for sustainable energy efficiency financing at European Level.** *Tsvyatko Velikov from DG Regional and Urban Policy of the European Commission.*

10:00 – 10:30 **European Fund for Strategic Investment (EFSI), opportunities in Lithuania, presentation of feasibility study.***Marius Vaščega, Economic Governance Officer of the European Commission in Lithuania.*

10:30 – 11:00 **Financial instruments in Lithuania: lessons learned**. *Rūta Dapkutė-Stankevičienė, Deputy Director of the EU Investment Department, Ministry of Finance (Lithuania).*

*11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break*

11:30 – 12:50**Good practices in innovative financing of projects for energy efficiency.** Round table.

* **ZagEE project:** **Reconstructed public buildings in Zagreb**.*Hrvoje Maras, North-West Croatia Energy Agency (REGEA).*
* **Renovation of Multi-Apartment Buildings in Lithuania**. *Inesis Kiškis, Director of European Union Assistance management department. Ministry of Environment (Lithuania).*
* **Programme for Sustainable Construction in Andalusia**. *Joaquín Villar, Head of Internationalisation and Prospective Dept. Energy Agency (Andalusia).*
* **European Commission, Directorate – General for Regional and Urban Policy Fund**. *Mr. Gregor Čufer, Ekoslad (tbc).*

*12:50 – 13:15* Q&A and discussion

*13:15 – 14:30 Lunch & networking*

**SESSION 2 - Challenge for Managing Authorities in financing energy renovation of buildings**

14:30 – 15:00 **State of play of Energy Efficiency in the Operational Programmes**. Isabelle Seigneur. *Joint Research Centre, European Commission.*

15:00 – 15:30 **Supporting instruments for managing authorities at national and regional level in the implementation of the Operational Programmes and Smart Specialisation Strategies.**

* + - **The Energy and Managing Authorities Network***, Inmaculada Periáñez, Joint Research Centre, European Commission.*
    - **Smart Specialisation Platform on Energy**. *Inmaculada Periáñez, Joint Research Centre, European Commission.*
    - **REBECA: the Spanish Network on Low Carbon Economy**. *Francisco Tovar, Ministry of Finance(Spain).*

15:30 – 17:00 **Challenges in implementing programmes with ESI Funds. Round table with the managing authorities of the BUILD2LC partners (Policy Board).**

*Moderated by Isabelle Seigneur. Joint Research Centre, European Commission.*

* Rzeszów (Poland) – *Norbert Tomkiewicz, Director from Department for Regional Development, Marshal's Office of Podkarpackie Region.*
* Gorenjska (Slovenia) – *Tilen Smolnikar, Energy Directorate, Ministry of Infrastructures.*
* Lithuania – *Rūta Dapkutė-Stankevičienė, Deputy Director of the EU Investment Department, Ministry of Finance.*
* Croatia *- Damir Gubić, Head of Department for the Implementation of Financial Instruments, Ministry of Regional Development and EU Funds.*
* Andalusia (Spain) – *Joaquín Villar. Andalusian Energy Agency.*
* Jämtland Härjedalen (Sweden) *- Dr. Erik-Widar Andersson Senior Advisor, Financial issues within regional development, Region Jämtland Härjedalen.*
* Gloucester (United Kingdom) *- Barry Wyatt, Strategic Head of Development Services, Stroud District Council.*

17:00 – 17:30 **Conclusions**

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**SESSION 3 – Innovative financing tackling by end-users in energy efficiency projects**

9:15 – 9:45 **Public awareness of the multi-apartment building renovation process in Lithuania: technical assistance, promotion, construction works**. *Gintarė Burbienė, Head of project implementation division, Housing Energy Saving Agency (HESA).*

9:45 – 11:00 **Good practices in informing citizens on the use of innovative financing instruments.** Round table.

* **Warm & Well – Energy Efficiency Advice and Installation Scheme***, Barry Wyatt Strategic Head of Development Services at Stroud District Council. Gloucestershire, United Kingdom.*
* **Grant for municipal energy and climate advisors**, *Anneli Kamb and Moa Breivik. Municipal energy and climate advisors, Jämtland-Härjedalen Region, Sweden.*
* **Rehabilitation of building and removal of asbestos**, *Piotr Pawelec – President and freelance consultant & trainer at the Institute of Good Eco-solutions "Alternative".*

*11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break*

**SESSION 4 – Other Interregional experiences to boost innovative financing in energy efficiency projects**

11:30 – 12:00 **Boosting innovative financing in energy efficiency projects in public buildings**, *Violeta Greičiuvienė, Head of EU Assistance Division, Ministry of Energy (Lithuania).*

12:00 – 13:20 **Interregional experiences to boost innovative financing in energy efficiency projects.** Round table.

* **Financial Instruments for Energy Renovation Policies (FINERPOL)**. *FINERPOL project representative.*
* **Innovative financial experiences in interregional projects to foster energy rehabilitation**. *Ignacio Contreras, The Spanish Institute of Financial Analysts.*
* **European Partnership of regions to promote investment on energy efficiency in buildings.***Joaquín Villar, Head of Internationalisation and Prospective Dept. Energy Agency (Andalusia).*

*13:20 – 13:30* Q&A and discussion.

**13:30 End of the seminar**