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Phase 2 progress meeting 18/01/2023 Minutes

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The Peer Review meeting was held digitally (using the Zoom platform) on 18/01/23, 11:00 CET. The participants were the following:

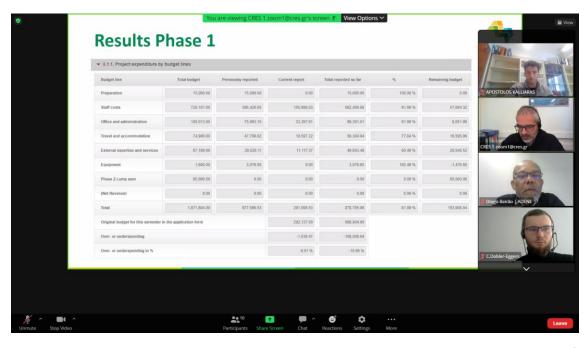
<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>
Mr Nikos Ntaras	CRES
Mr Apostolos Kalliaras	CRES
Mr Bruno Zidov	EIHP
Mr Tomislav Cop	EIHP
Mrs Astrid Szogs	RMNH
Mr Christian Dobler –Eggers	RMNH
Mr Miguel Quinto	AZORES
Mr Carlos Soares	AZORES
Mr Pedro Ribeiro	AZORES
Mr Diogo Beirao	ADENE
Mrs Cristina David	NWRDA







Mr Ntaras as the host of the meeting welcomed the participants and presented the agenda. Mr Ntaras started the presentation showing the results achieved in the 1st Phase of EMOBICITY project. He also showed the project expenditure by project lines, briefly explaining the financial state of the project.



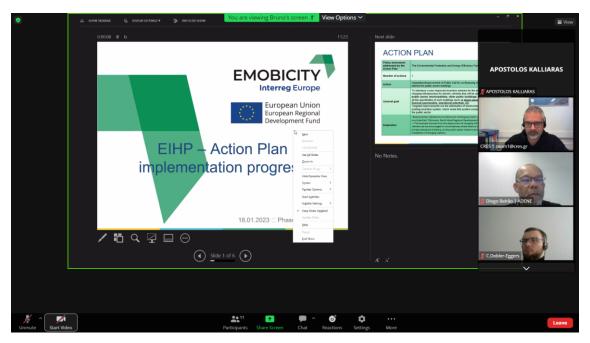
Mr Ntaras also mentioned some 1st phase pending activities. He explained that all 6th semester activities are completed and the pending ones should be completed by the end of 7th semester.





There was also a presentation of the next activities that need to be done within the 2nd phase of the project and a reminder that the Final Conference event will be held the week 08-12 May 2023 in Athens as a 2 days event combined with the final project meeting - exact dates are not yet final.

Following the EMOBICITY general information, Mr Ntaras gave an update regarding CRES Action Plan (2nd round of the Go Electric subsidy scheme monitoring). There was a brief presentation of the new features of the updated subsidy scheme and some first results regarding the number of applications. Finally there was a presentation of the new subsidy scheme "Green Taxis" as well as other interesting news on e-mobility deployment in Greece.



Mr Zidov noted the progress made regarding emobility in Greece since EMOBICITY's beginning.

Then, Mr Zidov started presenting the Action Plan that is being implemented in Croatia. This action plan is aiming at improving the Policy Instrument "Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund" through adaptation/improvement of Public Call for cofinancing of EV charging station tailored for public sector buildings.

This improvement will be achieved through the elimination of shortcomings identified in the existing incentive system, which make this system inadequate, Mr Zidov explained.





He also showed the progress that is being made by mentioning that the updated plan was successfully signed in July 22, and also the draft of the technical analysis was done in January 2023.

During his presentation Mr Zidov expressed his concern about the timely implementation of the Action Plan as there has been a change of prioritization and funds are now being redirected towards earthquake affected buildings reconstruction and other demands related to the war in Ucraine.

It was suggested to follow closely the progress and proceed as soon as possible to the implementation of the Action Plan through the production perhaps of a draft Call, integrating the impact from EMOBICITY. If progress is lacking behind significantly the next months, there could be perhaps an inquiry to the JS officers.



Then, Mr Christian Dobbler-Eggers from RMNH gave a detailed presentation on the Action Plan, the timetable and mentioned the milestones that are completed such as the project plan, the Test Track and Dissemination Plan creation.

There is a delay regarding the procurement of the E-Truck that will be used for the testing but it is expected that the Action Plan will be implemented in time. Another suggestion has been from the participants that as a back-up option, a leased/rented vehicle could be used instead. It was also discussed that the main outcome should be the improvement of the Policy Instrument and not the testing itself.





Finally, Mr Dobbler-Eggers presented the project unIT-e². A very interesting project that studies the charging behavior of EV users in Germany. The project will offer 70-100 euros per month as participants remuneration and will test four different scenarios. This project begins February 2023. The results of this project are expected to be very helpful in understanding user behavior that will lead to better grid management.

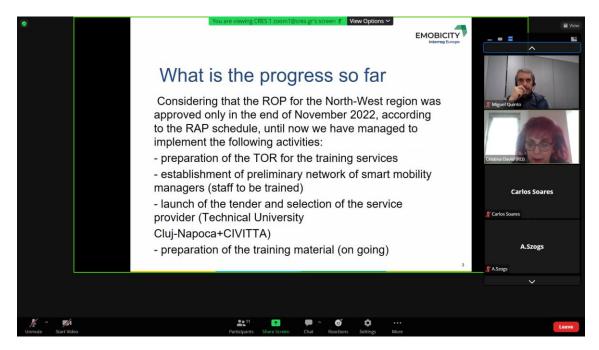


Right after, Mr Miguel Quinto from AZORES, presented the Action Plan for the deployment of EV chargers in the Azores. He <u>explained_shared_that there are until January 2023</u>, 17 Ffast chargers and 29 normal chargers <u>have been_installed_in the Azores (as of January 2023)</u>. As already mentioned in the Action Plan, the main inspiration comes from EMOBICITY good practices like the related one from <u>CroatiaRomania</u>. It was <u>also_discussed also_that</u> the inspiration from EMOBICITY should be visible to the Policy Instrument under improvement in the Action Plan.

Finally, Mr Miguel Quinto shared the great news of that 12 regional municipalities have expresseding their interest in installing EV chargers in their respective regionmunicipality.







Mrs Cristina David then started presenting the progress regarding the Action Plan of NWRDA in Romania (improvement of the selected Policy Instrument RS – SUMSC 2021-2027 through the creation of the Smart Mobility Managers Academy).

The implementation process has not been very smooth due to the fact that their stakeholders are involved in many other activities and the interest in electric mobility has decreased due to the energy crisis and the economic crisis - the economic realities are not favorable now. They hope to successfully complete the activities proposed, but with great efforts.

Furthermore, the selection and training of the staff as well as the creation of training material are in progress.

Finally, Mrs David shared with the participants some news showing in their region a future shift from electricity towards hydrogen.

Mr Dobbler-Eggers mentioned that energy crisis drove the German society towards electrification and not away from it, in an attempt to further decrease the dependence on Russian energy sources.

Mrs David replied that electric vehicles are still very expensive for most Romanians and with inflation reaching 20% they want to keep funds or invest elsewhere.

Mr Miguel Quinto, from the AZORES also stated his opinion on hydrogen mentioning that hydrogen is not a simple solution and that huge infrastructure investments will be required and even then, the future of hydrogen as an energy source for mobility will not be certain.





The meeting was closed and all participants agreed to keep up their efforts towards the proper implementation of all Action Plans and adequate monitoring and documentation.