

Policy Learning Platform Webinar
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Jobs and skills for the energy transition

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Four services for interregional learning



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Online portal



Expert teams





Expert support

Personalised policy advice



Peer reviews

- 2-day onsite or online meetings
- Team up with 4-5 peers from other regions for input and feedback
- Only for regional and local authorities

- 2-hour online or onsite meeting
- Team up with 2-3 peers from other regions for input and feedback
- For any type of organisation

Matchmaking sessions

Policy helpdesk

- Individual written reply by email from PLP expert

Matchmaking sessions



What is a matchmaking session?

- A 2h meeting focused on a topic of your request
- A group of carefully selected participants share their experience and knowledge to give you inspiration to for better policy making in your territory
- Organisation and facilitation by the Policy Learning Platform experts

What's in it for you?

- An exchange tailored to your need
- The competence of the participants at your disposal
- A list of **concrete suggestions, ad-hoc advice** and further resources to dig into
- Potential partnerships and future collaborations
- The Policy Learning Platform does it all

How can you request one?

- Send us an email, or fill in the request form here: <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/expert-support/matchmaking-sessions/>

Minimum time – maximum impact!

Peer reviews and matchmakings

- 22 peer reviews implemented 
- 8 peer reviews in the pipeline
- 11 matchmakings 

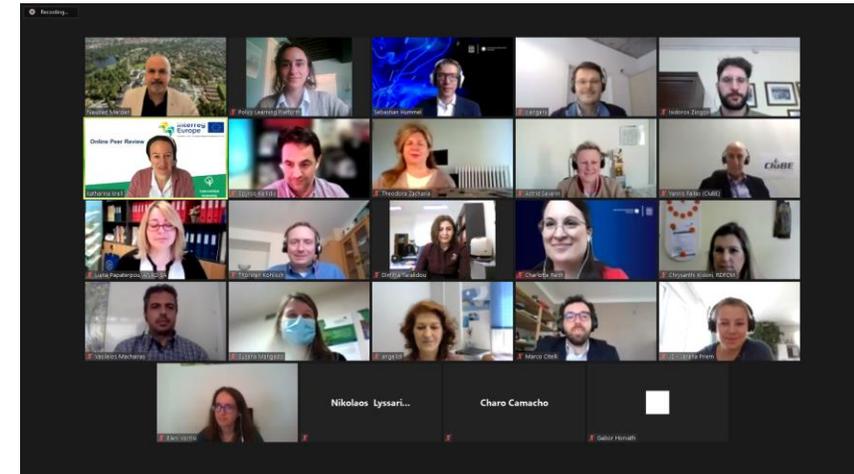


Region Western Macedonia

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- Beneficiary: the Region of Western Macedonia
- Challenge: “Resource and Energy efficiency support schemes for SMEs”
- 2 peers: Ministry of Economics, Energy Transport and Regional development, Hessen (Germany); University of Gälve (Sweden)
- PLP support: organize the meeting, find the peers, moderate the session, curate the follow up steps
- Take-aways:
 - EE and resource efficiency should be supported together so that SMEs act both on their energy and material / water use as this gives better impacts both for the SME in terms of increased productivity and CO2 savings and for the funding body in terms of efficiency of support scheme design
 - State Aid rules allow grants <50% if process innovations are made



Agenda



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- **Welcome & Introduction**
- **Presentation of the Interreg Europe policy brief on ‘Skills for the Energy Transition’**
- **Good practice pitches**
 - Velimir Šegon, North-West Croatia Regional Energy Agency (Croatia) on ‘CROSKILLS - Strengthening energy efficiency skills and certification schemes for construction workers’
 - Ruth Borrego Andrade, Andalusian Energy Agency, & Laura Ramos de Blas, ECOOO (Spain) on ‘Training of solar photovoltaic installers for people at risk of social exclusion’
 - Nathalie Richet, Association of European Renewable Energy Research Centres – EUREC (Belgium) on ‘University-level programmes on energy skills: the EUREC Renewable Energy Masters’
- **Panel Discussion**
- **Wrap up & Conclusions**