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## The MOLOC project team & partners wishes you a Happy New Year 2018!

2017 marked the launch of the MOLOC project, a first jump into the project!

A year focused on **mutual discovery** for the partner cities. Three meetings of the partnership in Lille (France), in Suceava (Romania) and in Hamburg (Germany), enabled all project teams to get to know shared challenges.

The **Torino** Urban Planning team emphasized the huge challenge faced by the city in the current revision process of the City Master Plan: still 5 million square meters of brownfields from automobile industry are to be reconverted.

Thanks to the MOLOC, the City of **Suceava** in Romania was able to launch its first **energetic audit on its public buildings**, a crucial step to modernise installations and reduce energy consumptions.

The Central Mining Institute, the Marshal's Office Silesian Voivodeship and the

Municipality of **Katowice** presented their actions regarding the fight against **air pollution**. Let us remind that this is a major issue in Silesia where 56% of the energy consumed originates from coal!

The City of **Hamburg** explained its **green roof strategy** while we were gathered on the green roof of the HafenCity University. In 2013, a total of 135 hectares of green roofs covered the city, around 2% of the total roof surface!

**Lille** insisted on its great results regarding **public lighting**, allowed by its ambitious investment choices. In October 2017, the annual electricity consumption was 47.4% lower than in 2004.

The 5 partner cities involved in MOLOC managed to involve a total of 56 local organisations in the project. These local partners will work hand by hand with the municipalities to design low carbon action plans for their territories.

**On behalf of the project team we sincerely thank you for your involvement in 2017, and we hope to continue working with you in 2018!**

All the most recent news and reports can be found on our website:

<https://www.interregeurope.eu/moloc/>

#### **Next steps for MOLOC:**

- 30/01 - 01/02: Participation to the **European Energy Transition Conference** in Geneva
- February- March: the 5 MOLOC partner cities launch their **local analysis on barriers and solutions** for the low carbon city and organise meetings with their stakeholders
- 24-25/04: **Exchange of experience seminar** organised by Interreg for lead partners in Sofia, Bulgaria
- May: First **study visits meeting in Torino**, with a focus on the Environmental aspect of the City Master Plan
- June 2018: Second **study visits meeting in Katowice**, Poland, with a focus on energy efficiency of public buildings and measures against air pollution



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