



“LOCAL Authorities to Tackle Energy poverty in private multi-apartment buildings” with acronym LOCATEE

Programme

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Project

LOCATEE's overarching goal is to support local municipalities in addressing energy poverty through the renovation of private multi-apartment buildings for vulnerable residents. The project will address the poor connection between the private housing owners and local climate and energy policies in Central, Eastern and Southern Europe. LOCATEE will achieve this goal by providing a toolkit for identifying energy-vulnerable households, matching tailored interventions to their needs, and integrating energy poverty alleviation activities into long-term strategies of municipalities such as Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans. Specifically, the project will use administrative data to develop typologies of households and buildings, which will contribute to finding priority intervention locations. This process will be in line with assisting authorities and social partners in addressing energy poverty locally through institutional, cross-sectoral coordination solutions, including the establishment of contact points and appointed focus groups with housing entities. These mechanisms will facilitate regular knowledge exchange on renovation programs and targeted solutions for people experiencing energy poverty. Using a pilot evidence-based approach, the project will address financial, regulatory, social and technical constraints in renovating private multi-apartment buildings while developing the capacity of local authorities to become intermediaries of the energy transition process. As a result, relevant stakeholders will collaboratively design and implement comprehensive interventions and support initiatives explicitly tailored to benefit vulnerable households. This evidence-based and collaborative approach will be implemented in three pilot municipalities in Central, Southern and Southeastern Europe: Rumia (Poland), Torres Vedras (Portugal) and Piraeus (Greece), while ensuring scaling up the LOCATEE framework to 32 more municipalities and then to further regions and municipalities

Role of Municipality of Piraeus

The Municipality of Piraeus will actively participate in the implementation of "LOCATEE", through its contribution to the individual work of the project.

Specifically, the Municipality of Piraeus will actively participate in the evaluation of the tools and indicators that will be developed to address energy poverty. The contribution of the Municipality to the implementation of the project is to assist in the development of a framework of indicators for the diagnosis of energy poverty at local level. The Municipality of Piraeus will contribute to the development of databases on the energy characteristics of housing. At the same time, it will participate in the ongoing integration and testing of the project's toolkit, as well as in the development and implementation of strategies to reduce energy consumption and improve energy efficiency. Finally, the project toolkit will be adapted and piloted in partner institutions of the municipality.

At the same time, the Municipality of Piraeus will be the channel of communication between stakeholders, ensuring public participation, while it will also actively participate in the development and conduct of individual consultation activities (through structured questionnaires), to assess the needs and challenges faced by citizens living in apartment buildings, as well as local authorities, in relation to the implementation of energy efficiency measures.

Finally, the Municipality of Piraeus will have an active role in integrating the results of the tools into the various strategies of the municipality - related to energy and climate at a local level - through the co-design of policy recommendations that will lead to the formulation of strategies to combat energy poverty in the long term. In this context, it is envisaged that the Municipality will actively participate in communication actions aimed at disseminating the knowledge generated to citizens, through relevant events, consultative actions, workshops, etc.

Partnership

- 1 FUNDACJA NAUKOWA INSTYTUT BADAN STRUKTURALNY Poland Coordinator
- 2 UNIVERSITY OF PIRAEUS RESEARCH CENTER EL Partner
- 3 UNIVERSIDADE NOVA DE LISBOA PT Partner
- 4 INSTITUTE FOR EUROPEAN ENERGY AND CLIMATE POLICY NL Partner
- 5 GMINA MIEJSKA RUMIA PL Partner
- 6 DIMOS PEIRAIA EL Partner
- 7 MUNICIPIO DE TORRES VEDRAS PT Partner
- 8 OSTERREICHISCHE ENERGIEAGENTUR AUSTRIAN ENERGY AT Partner
- 9 NADACIA HABITAT FOR HUMANITY INTERNATIONAL SK Partner
- 10 EURACTIV MEDIA NETWORK B.V. NL Partner

Duration

36 months (The project is due to start in October 2024)

Budget

1.737.699,67 €

Piraeus's Budget

72.323,98 €