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Kaunas University of Technology (KTU) and the city of Kaunas were the host organisations of the 3rd Steering Group and TWT meetings of LOCARBO project, on 13–14 March. The new partner Alba Iulia Municipality (Romania) was warmly welcomed by the partners.



LOCARBO, supported by INTERREG Europe Program aims to improve policy instruments targeting demand-driven initiatives to increase energy efficiency and the use of renewables in buildings, through innovative ways of supporting energy consumers' behaviour change. The final objective is to contribute to the achievement of a low-carbon economy in Europe.

The main activities of the project are the development of regional/local analysis and fully feasible action plans. This will be achieved through an intense local stakeholder group involvement and extensive networking activities, oriented to sharing good practices and innovative experiences.

The 2-day intensive agenda integrated a set of sessions for the partners and stakeholders, including: site visits, 2nd stakeholder café with local stakeholders, good practices fair and roundtable discussion, and TWT meeting linked to the 3rd Steering Committee meeting.

Site visits to a renovated living apartment building (erected in 1975) in 2015 and a renovated residential quarter in 2016-17 in Riomeris Street that were subjected to integrated energy rehabilitation and urban renewal actions, and a visit to the KTU Santaka Valley laboratories dedicated to energy and sustainability research covered the site visits program.

Following the 2nd Stakeholder Café, a group of distinctive projects and experiences on buildings energy efficiency was presented, with a view to get stakeholders' involvement and exchange of ideas.

The 1st day event ended with a roundtable discussion of good practices related with Thematic Pillar 2 "Innovative Cooperation Models" and the presentation of the main findings of the partners' regional analysis.

On the 2nd day of event, an internal partnership meeting was held in order to discuss technical, financial and communication management issues.

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