EMPOWER More Carbon Reduction by Dynamically Monitoring Energy Efficiency



EMPOWER Technical Workshops

High-level interregional Exchange of Experiences

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The partnerships of 9 European regions are working together to share experiences, solutions and good practices to develop and deliver better public policy to reduce carbon emissions and innovative use of financial instruments.

Partners have been very busy with organizing two thematic Technical Workshops focusing on highlevel interregional Exchange of Experiences in this Semester. The first workshop was focused on Energy monitoring. It was organized in Almada on 24th and 25th of October and hosted by AGENEAL. The second one will be oriented on Financial Instruments and will be organized in Magdeburg on 4th and 5th of December, hosted by Development Bank of Saxony-Anhalt. Both workshops topics are crucial in consolidating the learning process among project partners. Experts invited from project partners will assist them and their regional stakeholders to import their good practices into policy in each region and prepare their Regional Action Plan.

At the Energy monitoring Workshop in Almada relevant good practices were presented by different experts from Germany, Italy, Spain, Ireland, Sweden, Portugal, Slovenia, France and Poland. Participants learned and shared the experiences in different energy monitoring fields. The main objective of all presentations was to reduce energy consumption and thereby reduce carbon dioxide

emissions. Within the workshop EMPOWER project also joined forces with another European project named QUANTUM to reduce energy consumption in buildings.

Details about the Energy monitoring Workshop you can find and read on the Empower project website <u>www.interregeurope.eu/empower.</u> All participants gave very positive feedback about gaining new knowledge, sharing experiences and making closer friendships with the experts and their stakeholders.

After Energy and Financial monitoring Workshops good practices will be imported into policy in each region through Regional Action Plans which will be produced by each partner.

You are also very welcome to find out more about EMPOWER best practices developed in each partner region in <u>GOOD PRACTICE REGISTER.</u>

EMPOWER is a five-year, inter-regional project which commenced January 2017. The project aims to reduce carbon output by dynamically monitoring energy efficiency in buildings, with a special focus on innovative methods of financing. Consisting of 9-partners: from Ireland, Slovenia, Portugal, Italy, France, Sweden, Poland, Germany and Spain. The project was approved for a grant of \notin 1.90 m by the Interreg Europe Programme, through the European Regional Development Fund.

For more about the EMPOWER project, you can read here <u>www.interregeurope.eu/empower</u>

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