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New regulation orientations for energy efficiency

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Operational Programme

- Investment Priority 4b – Promotion of energy efficiency and use of renewable energies in the companies:
 - Initially based on financial instruments that were not put in practice.
 - Only non-mandatory energy audits are non-refundable.
 - Several requirements were difficult to fulfil, making the measure not attractive to the needs of companies.

Operational Programme

Update December 2018

- Financial Instruments were changed to reimbursable grants, where some of the support can be converted into non-reimbursable grant up to a maximum support of 30%.
- Non-mandatory energy audits are non-refundable.

Incentive System: VALORIZAR 2020

- VALORIZAR 2020 is an incentive system implemented in 2015 to catalyse the innovation in companies – Investment Priority 3c.
- VALORIZAR 2020 included support for energy efficiency up to 20% of the global eligible investment.
- Energy investments were verified by AREAM to evaluate technical suitability and eligible costs.

Incentive System: VALORIZAR 2020

Update in preparation to be approved

- VALORIZAR 2020 will include energy investments of Investment Priorities 3c and 4b of Operational Programme.
- Grants will be reimbursable where part of the investment can be converted into non-reimbursable based on results.
- Audits before the investment to assess the quality of the project in terms of fossil energy and CO2 reduction.
- Ex-post assessment to evaluate results in terms of fossil energy and CO2 reduction.

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- Energy efficiency eligible costs:
 - Passive measures in buildings.
 - Air conditioning, hot water, steam, lighting, pumping and refrigeration.
 - Charging stations for electric vehicles with RES.
 - Conversion of goods transport vehicles to cleaner energy.
 - Renewable energies for heating.
 - Renewable energies for electricity (limited to 20% of investment).
 - Monitoring and management integrated systems.
 - Energy audits, studies and ex-post assessment.



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Thank you!

Questions are welcome