

POTeNT at a glance

“POTeNT – Public Organisations Transform Energy Transition” is a project funded by the EU’s Interreg Europe programme.

It brings together eight partners (Municipalities and Energy Agencies) from eight European countries, supported by an advisory partner. They will work together between 2019 and 2023 to help putting local authorities at the heart of the transition to a zero-carbon energy Europe and improving local and ERDF policy instruments.

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03. Pamplona City Council
04. Milton Keynes Council
05. City of Ostrava
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KEY PROJECT GOALS AND RESULTS

POTeNT will harness the potential of local communities in the energy system and will help local authorities to achieve more progress towards carbon reduction than what is already expected or planned in each partner region by 2023, boosting local-level investments in renewable energy and accelerating the local energy transition.

POTeNT key outcomes are

- +40** GOOD PRACTICES of innovative energy transition practices
- 101** POLICY LEARNING EVENTS to provide partners tools and skills on energy transition
- 16** STUDY VISITS to directly observe good practices
- 8** REGIONAL ACTION PLANS to achieve policy improvements in energy plans and ERDF programmes

WHAT IS POTeNT?

The European Union set the bold target of a **carbon neutral Europe by 2050**, and local authorities are key actors to achieve this goal.

Harnessing the potential of direct and local action by citizens and communities in the energy system is a crucial issue for cities and regions willing to have a renewed role in leading energy transition. POTeNT innovatively takes on this challenge: the project will develop tools and skills to achieve ambitious long-term carbon reduction in the partner regions by developing or improving municipal energy initiatives.

At the end of the project, the partners will adopt a **Regional Action Plan increasing investments in low carbon projects and enabling the POTENTIAL of local ownership of energy services.**



POTeNT will provide partners with tools and skills to facilitate clean energy transition and meet EU targets. POTeNT proposes a multidisciplinary approach with **5 steps to empower public authorities**, catalyze the interregional learning process and foster the exchange of experience between European regions so that the progress already made can be further exploited to facilitate clean energy transition:



Each partner will establish a Regional Stakeholders Group, the main vehicle for consultation between stakeholders, build the capacity of the relevant organisations and involve the wider community.