

## Project Objective

We aim to facilitate the transition to low-carbon districts by improving regional development policies and programmes in the areas of:

- building renovation and construction of energy efficient buildings
- creation and renovation of district heating
- other urban renovation actions



## Project Outputs

- Method Guide
- Diagnosis reports of the regional building, district heating and urban renovation sectors
- Good Practice Guide
- Policy Road Map
- Regional Policy Briefs
- Regional Action Plans with recommendations for integration into RIS3



Low-carbon  
economy



## Project Consortium



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Marche Region (IT)



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North-West Croatia Regional Energy Agency (HR)



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## What we are aiming to achieve in each region

### Småland and the islands

Sweden passed legislation to **attain 100% renewable electricity production along with net zero greenhouse gas emissions targets by 2040 and 2045**, respectively. Although great attempts have been made to improve energy efficiency and reduce the utilization of non-renewable energy resources in the building sector, existence of a number of barriers hinders the transition to a low-carbon society. Several research activities are carried out to **overcome barriers stakeholders face when constructing new buildings or renovating the existing ones**.

### Zlín Region

In the Czech Republic, both partners are working to improve policy on national level. They decided to focus on public buildings because many of them are not energy efficient in the country. The main goal is to improve **investment and non-investment support for owners** to facilitate the energy transition, thus achieving **energy savings and improving the indoor environment for building users**.

### North-West Croatia

There is a significant amount of work to be done in Croatia in energy efficiency in buildings and district heating sectors. North-West Croatia Regional Energy Agency focuses on **improving the main policy documents with respect to financing of measures**. The main aim is to foster the energy transition in both sectors to **extract synergies and to give recommendations** for the new operational programme in the next programming period 2021-2027.

### Marche Region

Marche Region manages **energy regional planning and financial instruments** directly, in particular approves the financing calls, defines the evaluation and priority criteria of the projects, defines the indicators for monitoring the impact of the implemented actions. Marche Region aims at improving its policies, supporting the transformation towards low carbon city districts promoting energy efficiency, smart energy management and the use of renewable energy in public infrastructure, buildings in the housing sector, also **creating a new sustainable urban planning that combines energy efficiency with seismic retrofitting** in the area affected by 2016 earthquakes.

### Navarre

More than 60% of the housing stock in Navarra was built in the past under previous and lax building requirements in terms of energy efficiency. Improving the regional policy and developing an integrated assessment methodology, Navarra is looking for **fostering public and private owned dwellings' refurbishment** in order to achieve environmental friendly cities and **enhance a welfare society eradicating energy poverty and improving citizens' health**.

