

# Measures to improve energy efficiency of public buildings

CLEAN project partners have been working with the lessons learnt from the cooperation activities in Ireland, France, Spain, Italy, Slovenia, Romania, Greece, Finland and Sweden.

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CLEAN or 'Technologies and Open Innovation for Low-Carbon Regions' project is part-funded under [Interreg Europe](#) programme with the main objective of improving the capacity of the low-carbon policy instruments in the participating 9 partner regions.

Since January 2017, partners from Ireland, France, Spain, Italy, Slovenia, Romania, Greece, Finland and Sweden have been working together to **increase energy efficiency in housing and public infrastructure by an average of 4%**.

On the 9th of August, Interreg Europe funded CLEAN project partners celebrated the third and last seminar of the CLEAN Additional Activities on "[Measures to improve energy efficiency of public buildings](#)" from the city of Sundsvall in County Västernorrland (Sweden) and streamed online to all project partners and their stakeholders regardless of their presence in Västernorrland. During the Additional Activities, partners have shared excellent energy solutions that can decrease energy consumption and improve energy efficiency of living and working in the post COVID-19 world.

Alongside with the exchange of good practices, the study visits and thematic seminars in North Karelia (Finland) and Västernorrland has facilitated the exchange of experience, lessons learnt to promote greater dialogue, networking and investment flows into energy efficiency projects.

**Daniela Copaci**, CLEAN project lead partner from **ERNACT** said that *"COVID-19 had a serious impact on the efforts to improve energy efficiency in buildings in all regions. Progress made to use more efficient energy sources slowed because of the pandemic impact. This threatened progress in addressing climate change, air pollution and access to clean energy in all regions"*.

She added that *"The additional activities provided a great opportunity for CLEAN partners to exchange experience on measures to address COVID-19 which can be further translated into policy improvements in their regions. As a result of the additional activities, four partners will improve their existing policy instruments and five partners will address new policy instruments"*.

More information about the project can be found on the project website:

<https://projects2014-2020.interregeurope.eu/clean/>