

EnergicEE Sub-Project Grants and other Incentives for cost and energy efficiency (GRACE)

Minutes of the 2nd Sub-Project meeting

13th – 15th June 2012, Modena

Participants:

Jürgen Besold, Bautzen Innovation Centre, LSPP, sub-project coordinator
Marcel Bellmann, Bautzen Innovation Centre, LSPP
Alicja Jachimowicz, Wrocław Research Centre EIT+ Ltd., SPP2
Marcello Antinucci, Energy and Sustainable Development Agency of Modena (AESS), SPP3
Lisa Sentimenti, Energy and Sustainable Development Agency of Modena (AESS), SPP3
Julia Kristina Culver, Nomisma, sub-contractor SPP3

Guests of the meeting:

Stefano Valentini, ASTER, Regional Manager of EnergicEE in Emilia Romagna

The 2nd Sub-Project meeting of the EnergicEE Sub-Project GRACE was opened by the welcome address from Mr. Stefano Valentini, ASTER. He explained further steps of the EnergicEE project. He also mentioned that the EU final conference will be held in the end of 2013 in Brussels and will be paid by remaining budget from EnergicEE. Moreover Stefano Valentini explained that the proofed expenses from the 1st Reporting Period will reach the SPPs in September 2012 at latest. Marcello Antinucci, AESS Modena and Jürgen Besold, Bautzen Innovation Centre also welcomed the participants of the meeting.

The meeting followed the work package structure of the sub-project. On the 1st day of the project meeting the partnership discussed the work packages 1 and 2. Jürgen Besold as sub-project coordinator started with the presentation of WP 1.

Work package 1

The coordinator explained the priority and the objectives of the GRACE sub-project. He pointed out that the EnergicEE Sub-Project GRACE is focusing on the topics “Documentation of good practices from local and regional directives, energy management and incentives” and “promo-

tion of good examples and its contribution to policies". Tasks and responsibilities of the sub-project participants were discussed in detail and updated. The LSPP set deadlines for preparation and submission of the Sub-Project Participant Reports (SPPRs) and the Sub-Project Report (SPR). The SPPR must be prepared until 21st July at latest and has to be submitted to the regional First Level Controller (FLC). The certified SPPR must be submitted to the Regional Manager in paper version and to the LSPP in electronic version. The LSPP will summarise all SPPRs to prepare the 2nd SPR by 14th August. The partnership decided to carry out 2 Skype meetings to discuss the project progress in Reporting Period 3 (RP3). The 1st Skype meeting in RP3 will be held on Monday, 24th September 2012. One representative of each SPP explained the achievements from RP2. The LSPP listed the Sub-Project indicator targets to be reached until the end of the Sub-Project and results until RP2. The Production and dissemination of the Sub-Project flyers will start in the end of June. The other SPPs reached all goals foreseen for RP2. Alicja Jachimowicz explained that there was a shareholder structure change in Wroclaw Research Centre EIT+. Moreover she informed the partnership about that EIT+ will engage a subcontractor for collecting data and preparation of evaluation reports.

The next steps for the implementation of WP 1 are:

- Preparation of the 2nd SPPR by each SPP
- Submission of SPPR to FLC by 21st July 2012
- Submission of certified SPPR to Regional Manager and LSPP by 1st August 2012
- Next Skype meeting on 24th September 2012 to discuss the progress of the project

The project partners also discussed the date for the next meeting. The next meeting will be held from 15th to 17th April 2013 in Lower Silesia. SPP 2 will organise the final meeting and a study visit in the region.

Work package 2

WP leader of WP 2 "Communication and dissemination" is Bautzen Innovation Centre. The work package leader (WPL) presented the Communication & Dissemination plan. Marcel Bellmann explained the schedule of the communication and dissemination activities including important outputs. The LSPP will organise the 5th Skype meeting of the EnercitEE Sub-Project GRACE on 24th September 2012. The 6th Skype meeting will be held in December 2012. Marcello Antinucci participated in the International Energy Programme Evaluation Conference IEPEC in Rome on 12th June 2012 and presented first results of the GRACE project there. More than 140 participants from 24 countries participated in that conference. LSPP has listed output and result indicators of WP2, which have to be reached until the end of the Sub-Project GRACE in May 2013. Julia Culver suggested to use internet platforms to distribute outputs of WP2.

The next steps for the implementation of WP 2 are:

- 3rd reporting period: promotion of examples of good practices in local and private initiatives
- 4th reporting period: dissemination of policy recommendations, dissemination of 2 press releases (LSPP and SPP2)

On the 2nd day of the project meeting the partnership discussed work package 3.

Work Package 3

The WP leader of WP3, “Assessment of national and regional financing instruments for citizens/communities” is SPP3. Julia Kristina Culver presented the updated methodology for detailed analysis of the selected funding programmes. She pointed out that the selected programmes shall be analysed qualitative and quantitative. Afterwards each SPP presented the SWOT analysis and the regional profile of their region. Then the project partners presented the updated overviews on available funding programmes in their regions.

In the next step the SPPs introduced in their selected programmes. Bautzen Innovation Centre has chosen to analyse the Passive House Programme and the Programme for exchange of central-heating boilers for citizens and the programme for energy efficient interior and street lights for municipalities. First results of the Passive House programme were shown. Wroclaw Research Centre EIT+ will analyse the solar thermal collective incentive, the Thermomodernisation and Renovation Fund and the programme Infrastructure and Environment 2007-2013. AESS Modena will analyse the 55 % tax rebate programme, a grant programme for citizens replacing old boilers with new efficient ones and installing solar-thermal systems (province of Modena) and incentives offered by municipalities through urban regulations to support highly efficient and bioclimatic new buildings and/or renovations.

Due to the fact that Wroclaw Research Centre EIT+ and AESS Modena will analyse a funding programme for solar thermal facilities, LSPP decided to analyse these kind of funding scheme for Saxony, too. In that way the partnership can compare a funding programme for similar facilities. The funding programme for exchanging the central heating boilers can be compared between AESS Modena and Bautzen Innovation Centre.

Work package 4

On the 3rd day of the project meeting the partnership joined the study visit in Modena. Therefore a visit in the Enzo Ferrari Museum was organised by SPP3. The building is a high efficient building and was reopened in March 2012. The special windows in that building are absorbing the radiation of the sun. That’s why they have a fresh climate in the building in summers. In winter times the installed lamps and visitors of the museum heat up the building. Only a few times in winter the heating has to be used.

In RP 3 the partnership will deliver the lists of good practices from the 3 regions.

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