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Training for Energy Consumers Empowerment Project

Under the ERASMUS + programme of the European Union the TRECE Project- Training for Energy Consumers Empowerment is being carried out. The project was launched in October 2019 and ends in October 2021, with a duration of 24 months.



TRAINING FOR ENERGY CONSUMERS EMPOWERMENT PROJECT

The project is being carried out by 5 entities from 5 different European countries:

SGS TECNOS (Spain) as a leader of the Project together with:

- Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving, Greece.
- ENERO, technical consultancy and research centre, Romania.
- Sofia Energy Agency, Bulgaria.

– Local Energy Agency of Gorenjska: energy management and use of Renewable Energy Sources, Slovenia

The project comes in response to the request from the European Union for leading a clean energy transition, committed to cut CO₂ emissions by at least 40% by 2030.

A successful clean energy transition requires citizens to take ownership, to benefit from new technologies and to participate actively in the market. In addition, a transition should ensure that vulnerable consumers are protected from energy poverty, a situation that According to the Energy Poverty Observatory, affects more than 50 million households in the EU.

The EC wants to help consumers to embrace this transition by helping them with everyday operations like billing and changing suppliers. The EU supports MS to reduce consumers' energy costs, monitor and report when energy poverty cases are detected.

There is a large range of solutions to help consumers to reduce their energy demand, the energy billing, the carbon emissions and thus energy poverty.

In this context, it was create the **Training for Energy Consumers Empowerment (TRECE)**.

This training addresses energy poverty through actively involving citizens and social agents in the design and development of its solutions, as well as by tailoring information to user characteristics, ensuring acceptability, uptake and active participation.



OBJECTIVES:

The main objectives of the project are:

1. Create a **training program to for social agents and public authorities**, to be addressed to a vulnerable sector such people in **energy poverty situation**.
2. Provide these entities several tools to **detect energy poverty cases** in the population.
3. Reduce the energy poverty of the population by improving the **understanding of their energy consumption** and presenting them with solutions.
4. **Change the energy consumers behavior** to increase the energy efficiency of their houses.
5. **Empower the final private consumers** towards the decision to improve their energy efficiency and **to foster the purchase of Renewable Energies** via the different energy suppliers.
6. **Reduce energy consumption** and thus **CO2 emissions**
7. **Create an attractive training** based on a MOOC that social agents and public authorities can easily disseminate through the target groups, taking a approach of training for trainers.

RESULTS:

TRECE will develop three main outputs:

1. A first approach of energy consumers and trainers needs', which will lead to an strategy for the training development (IO1)

This IO will define strategies for approaching and engaging the groups that will interact with TRECE training program (social agents, public bodies, and the final beneficiaries (people susceptible of suffering energy poverty)

2. The Development of training program: Energy Consumers empowerment and behavioral change (IO2)

To address the needs detected in the previous IO, the consortium will develop a training program whose objective is to offer all social agents, NGO's and municipalities a training program that they can use to better address the population groups in risk of energy poverty.

This training program will empower energy consumers towards the following decisions:

- To reduce and make flexible their energy consumption
- To increase the energy efficiency in their households

3. The development of a Massive Online Open Course (MOOC) for several social agents such NGOs and municipalities to tackle energy poverty (IO3).

The main objective of this IO will be to insert the contents of the training units in the MOOC.



TRECE MEETING

1º Kick of MEETING -21th & 22th October 2019, Valencia

We have started the project with the Kick-off meeting in Valencia on 21th & 22th October 2019.

The meeting took place at SGS headquarters, SGS welcomed all the partners of the Project with great hospitality along the two days meeting. The agenda started in the afternoon with a brief presentation of the partners and their corresponding organizations.

SGS gave a presentation on the TRECE Project structure, partnership, needs, objectives, expected impact and results. In addition, the financial part was

The day finished with a guided tour and a dinner, with all the consortia together, at the historical Centre of Valencia.

During the second day meeting the project management with the timeline and work pages was explained by SGS.

To continue, a fruitful brainstorming session to decide how best to approach and engage citizens, social agents and final beneficiaries took place between the partners.

To conclude with the meeting, the promotion, dissemination and exploitation of the project was also addressed, and all partners were

explained in detail by a financial expert.

actively participating in the selection of the design and ideas for social media.

Project Consortium

PROJECT LEADER:

SGS TECNOS (Spain)

Project partners:

Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving (Greece)

ENERO, Technical Consultancy and Research Centre (Romania)

Sofia Energy Agency (Bulgaria)

Local Energy Agency of Gorenjska (Slovenia)



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