Sitges, Catalunya, **Spain**



RESULTS

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Energy poverty phase: Diagnosis



Topics: Energy poverty diagnosis; Equity and justice; Energy communities





MAPA DE LA POBREZA ENERGÉTICA 2022





The Sitges Municipality, in collaboration with ECODES, implemented a technical assistance (TA) to assess energy poverty in the region, utilising both qualitative and quantitative methods, such as an energy poverty map.

Objectives

The municipality planned to create **energy** communities in municipal buildings, strategically photovoltaic placing installations in areas impacted by energy poverty. This approach aimed to empower residents to participate in solar selfconsumption, thereby lowering their energy costs. Additionally, the initiative set out to developing a roadmap to address energy poverty and delivering training to municipal staff for effective implementation.

The TA addressed the municipality's absence of a previous energy poverty diagnosis. Despite a low percentage of affected population, the results are instrumental in engaging these users in a public energy community.

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Activities Outcomes The project established energy poverty indicators in line with Covenant of Mayors' guidelines. Extensive data collection, analysis, and mapping identified energy poverty trends, leading to the development of a comprehensive roadmap with 15 Simultaneously, actions. strategic targeted training sessions for municipal workers, home care service staff, and local NGOs aimed to impart crucial knowledge, laying a strong foundation to address energy poverty and enhance capacity among key stakeholders.

Challenge

collection proved challenging, Data municipality-specific especially data retrieval which was was hindered by dispersed figures across various files and databases of municipal departments.



The technical assistance suggested key indicators for tracking both the progression of energy poverty and the efficacy of implementing the roadmap in the coming years.

