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EU Energy Poverty Advisory Hub





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Over 34 million people in European Union are experiencing energy poverty to various degree, with the most vulnerable groups being the most affected.

Energy poverty can occur in many forms: when the energy bills represent a high percentage of consumers' income affecting their capacity to cover other expenses; when consumers are forced to reduce the energy consumption of their household. Low incomes, inefficient buildings and appliances, specific energy needs contribute to the challenge.

These conditions can affect people physical and mental health and well-being.



Adequate warmth, cooling, lighting and energy to power appliances are essential services needed to guarantee a decent standard of living.

Easy access to energy services empowers the citizens to fulfil their potential and enhances social inclusion.

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Visit our platform to

Discover local actions

Different European cities, villages and towns already started to address Energy poverty adopting a local approach that fits the needs of the communities. You can read the **“Tackling energy poverty through local actions – Inspiring cases from across Europe”** and explore the **online EPAH ATLAS** to get inspired by many case studies and local measures.

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Do you know other inspirational energy poverty projects or measures? Submit them to the **Atlas**.



Learn about energy poverty and mitigation

Understanding, measuring, and monitoring energy poverty is an important step to alleviate it. Free access to tools can guide you in the process. Three open online training courses will enable participants to enhance skills and competences in order to develop their own approach to combat energy poverty. You will have access to a **set of indicators** for assessing the status of energy poverty at a local scale (developed by the Covenant of Mayor's, EPAH and the Joint Research Centre).

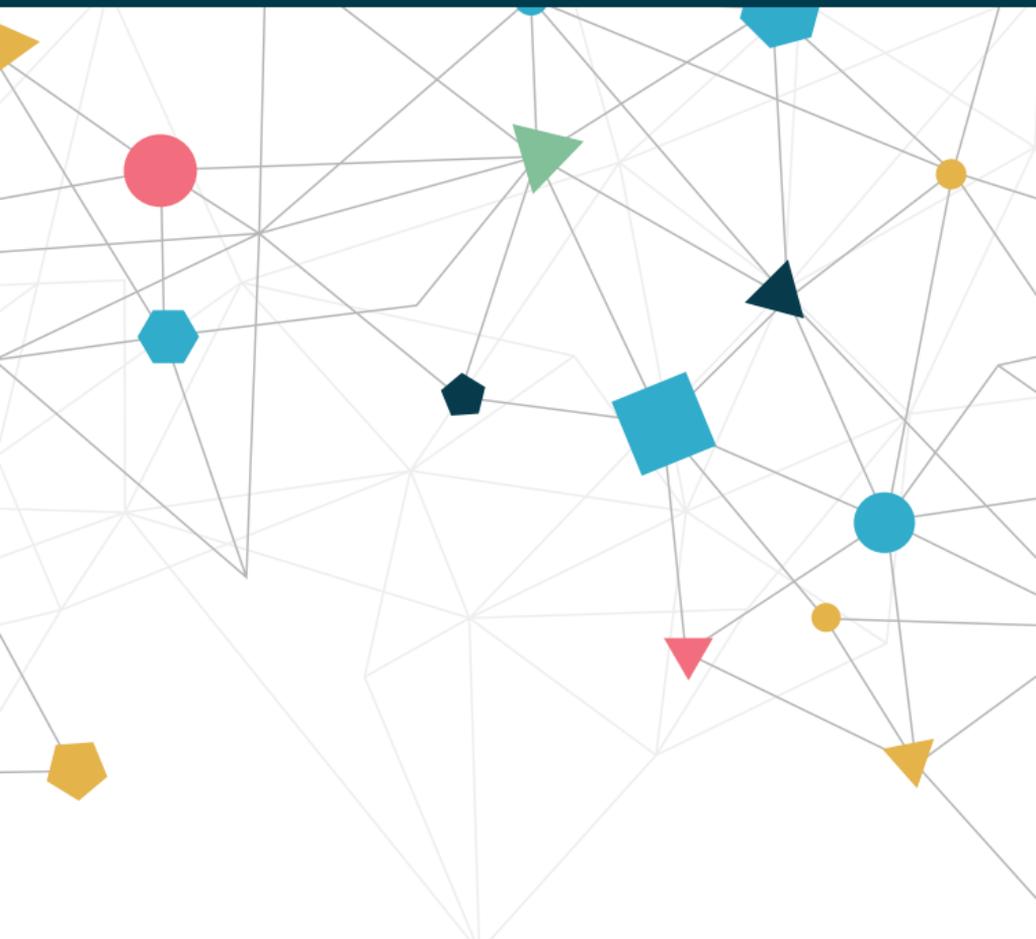
Initiate your own local approach

Addressing energy poverty is a priority but often face complex challenges. Does your city or municipality want to launch a local action on energy poverty, and need guidance? EPAH **helpdesk** will point you in the right direction. Moreover, you will have the chance to apply to two open calls in the upcoming years to support local authorities and municipalities. Selected cities will be guided by expert organisations and the EPAH team to implement their plan.



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