Breakout Session 9:

Empowering energy equity: Strategies for reaching and engaging vulnerable consumers and stakeholders



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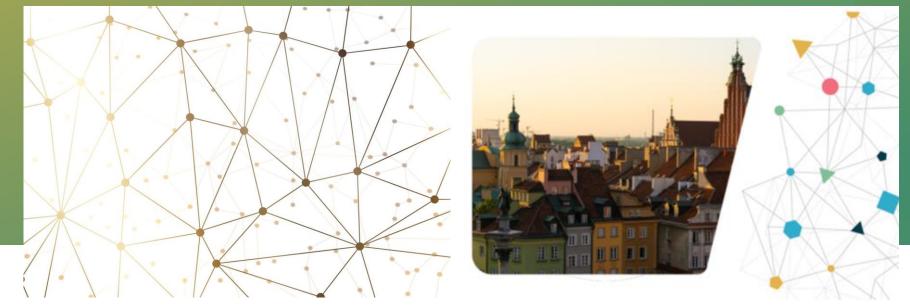
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EMPOWERING ENERGY EQUITY STRATEGIES FOR REACHING AND ENGAGING VULNERABLE CONSUMERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

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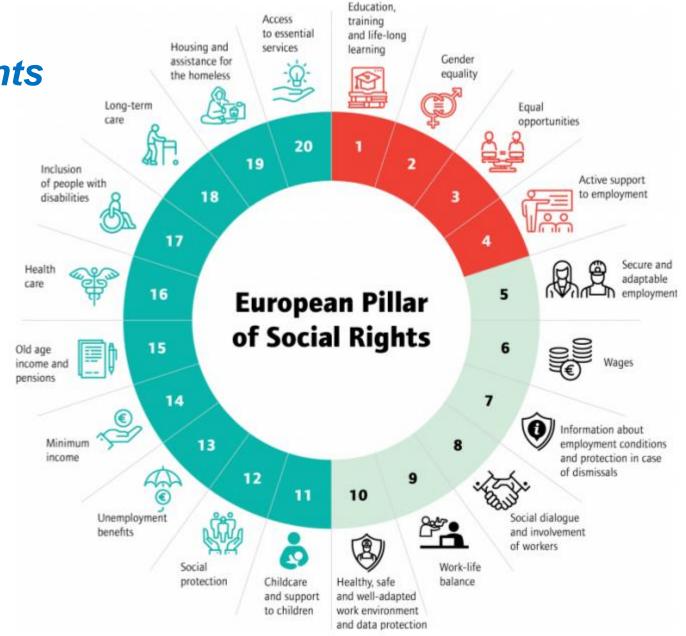
SOUTH EAST ENERGY AGENCY WARSAW, POLAND SEPT 20, 2023



European Pillar of Social Rights (2017)

"Everyone has the right to access essential services of good quality, including water, sanitation, energy, transport, financial services and digital communications.

Support for access to such services shall be available for those in need"





ENERGY POVERTY IN IRELAND



3 MAIN FACTORS OF ENERGY POVERTY1:

A comparatively low level of household or personal income.

High/increasing household energy costs (electricity and heating),

Inefficient energy performance of buildings





PARTNERS

partners from NL, BE, FR, IE



















THE PROJECT

SCEPA's main objective is to reduce and alleviate energy poverty by engaging and empowering vulnerable households. The project duration is 4 years, and the total project budget is € 6,2 million. SCEPA gathers and enhances existing effective energy poverty approaches in order to reach out to more households in a more effective way. SCEPA includes three pilot groups, namely: awareness and behavioral change, energy communities, and technical measures.

Total project budget **€6,2 million**

EU funding €3,7 million

Timeline **2023 - 2027**

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North-West Europe

SCEPA

SCALING UP THE ENERGY POVERTY APPROACH



PROGRAMME

SCEPA aims to contribute to a just and inclusive energy transition by better engaging more vulnerable households, reducing and alleviating energy poverty.

Target group:

 Vulnerable people (Elderly people) working together with SEC (Sustainable Energy Community) mentors.

Building Type:

 Solar PV installed in the Community Building and connect to house/apartment unit of vulnerable families.

Activities:

- Identify fuel-poor households and provide assistance in the generation of renewable energy (Solar PV).
- Assist the vulnerable families to establish Community Co-Op for management and maintenance of Solar PV
- Raise awareness on the energy poverty
- Establish Public-Private Partnership (PPP) for financial and administration support









GOOD PRACTICE OF SCEPA

- Elderly residents get benefit from cheaper, cleaner, and more sustainable energy.
- Reduced energy bill (electricity and heating)
- Improved thermal comfort and air quality of vulnerable households.
- Reduce carbon emission by using electric heating
- Behavior changing for energy consumption







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Case of the Zadar county

Miljenka Kuhar



















ANALYSIS OF THE HOUSEHOLD SURVEY

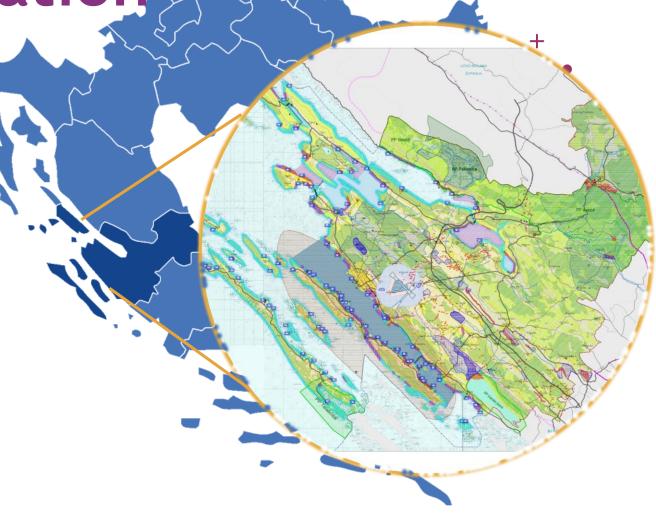
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- 200 households 63% of women
- 200 Energy aid packages
- Simple saving methods

MAIN PROJECT ACTIVITIES:

- Educating volunteers
- Cooperation with Red Cross Zadar
- Data collection
- Distribution of energy packages
- Data analysis

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2. VISITS TO HOUSEHOLDS

- Mapping
- Correlations between household's problems and energy poverty, overall condition
- 6 months

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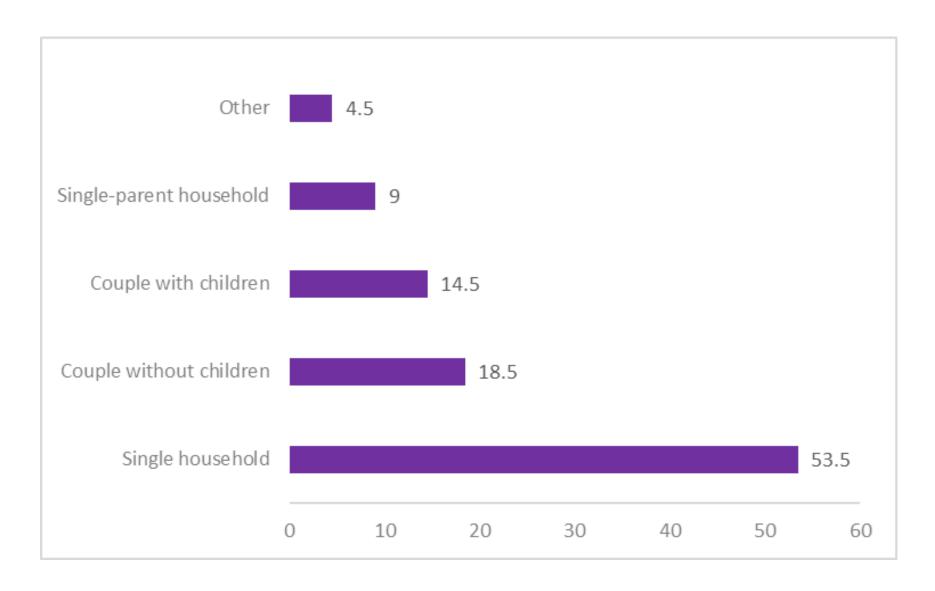
3. DATA PROTECTION

- Annonymus
- Group analysis

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Monthly income (salary or pension in euro)	n	%
0 – 160	32	21,3
161 - 265	50	33,4
266 - 398	37	24,6
399 - 530	20	13,4
> 530	11	7,3
TOTAL	150	100



Household structure	GENDER				Total	
AGE	FEMALE		MALE			
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Minors (0-17)	18	8,1	16	9,9	34	8,9
Adults under 65 (18-64)	91	41,2	92	56,8	183	47,8
Adults over 65 (65+)	112	50,7	54	33,3	166	43,3
Total	221	100	162	100	383	100

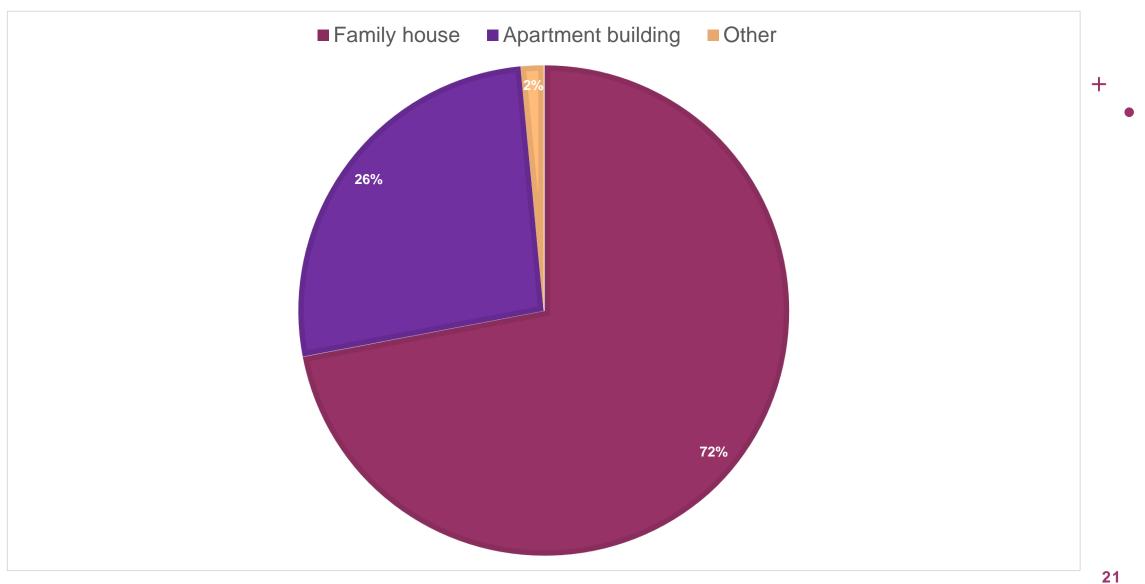
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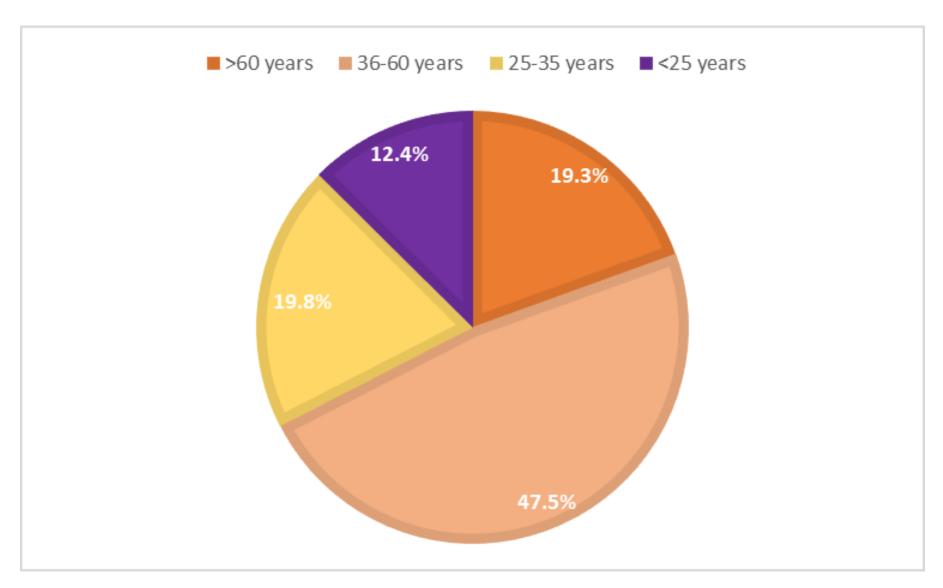
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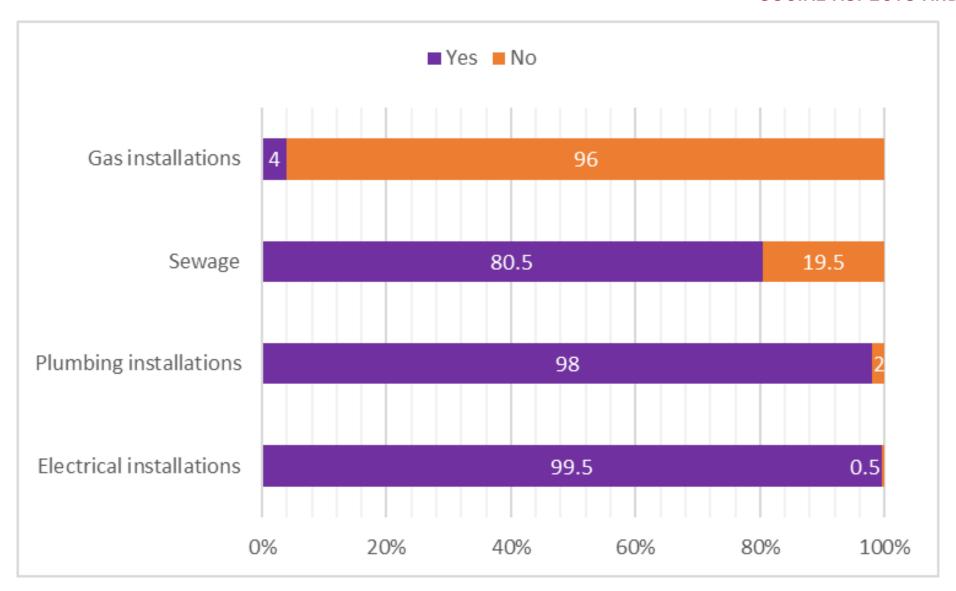


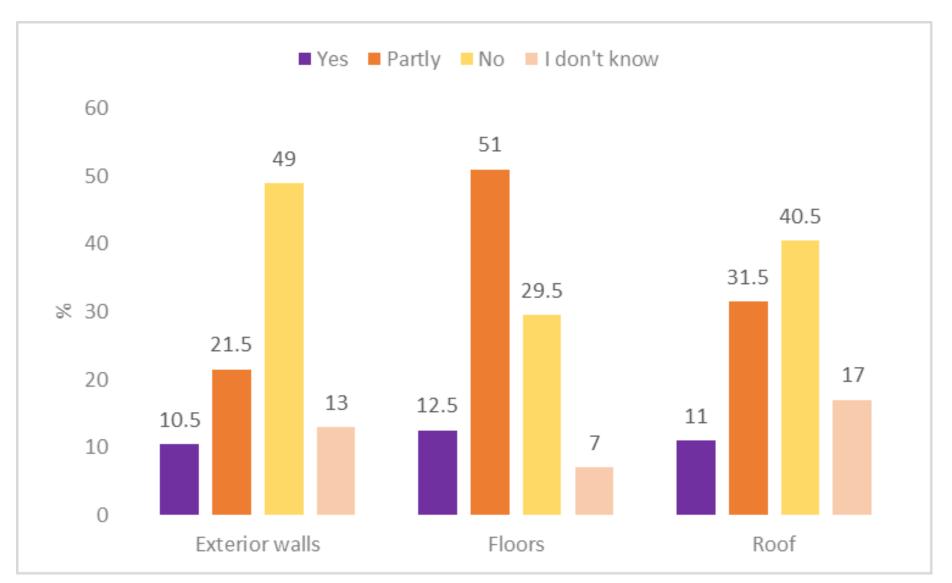
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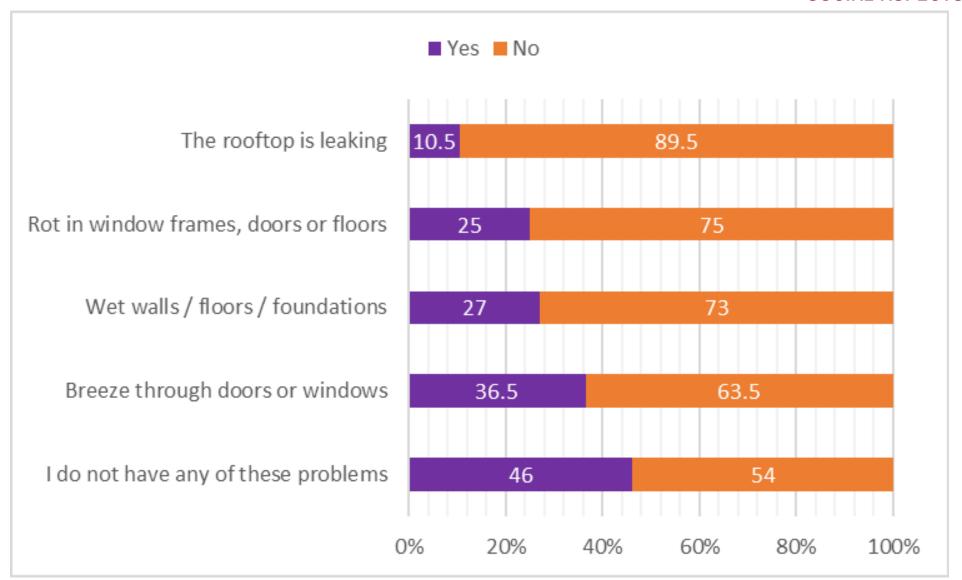
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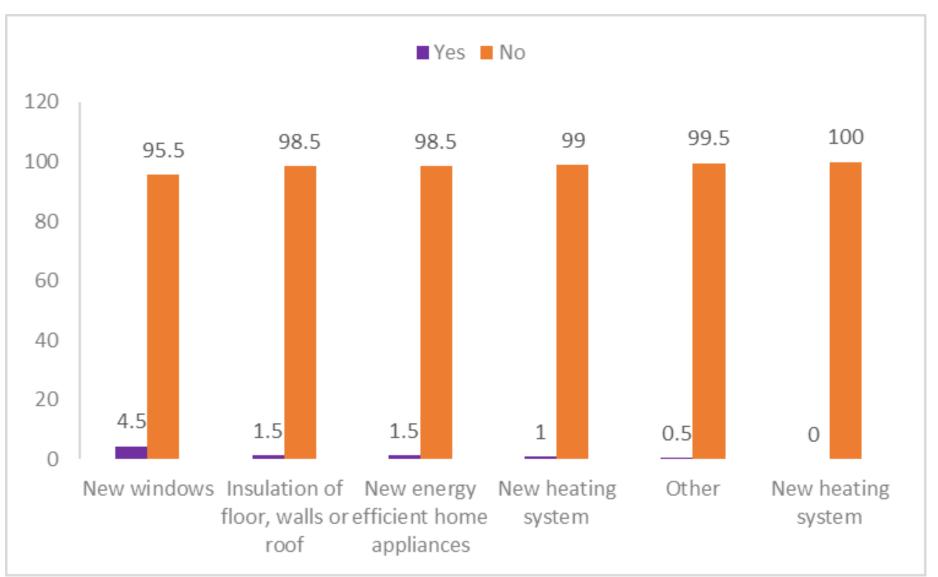


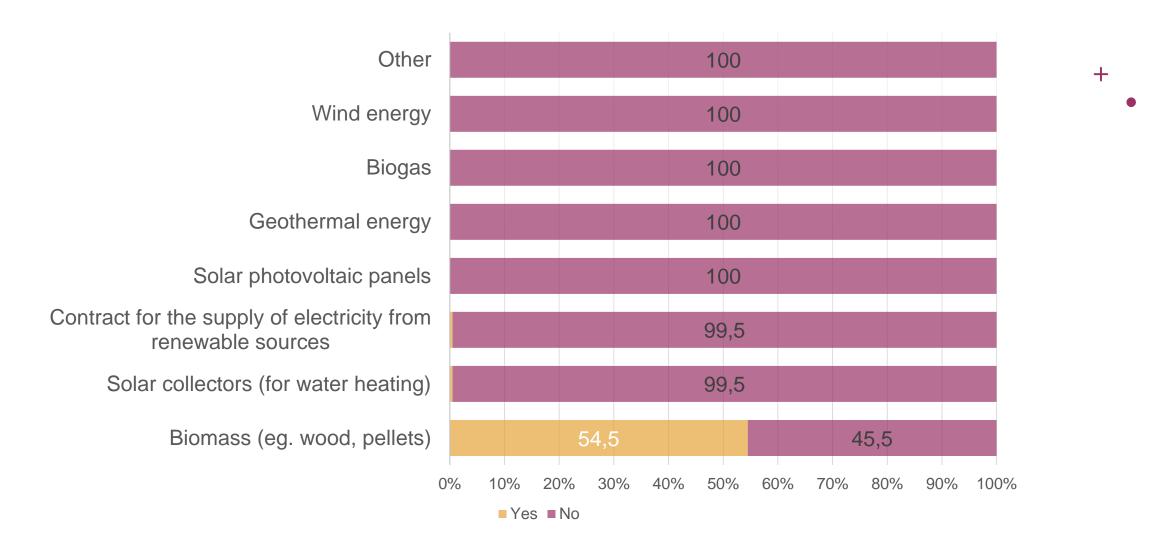
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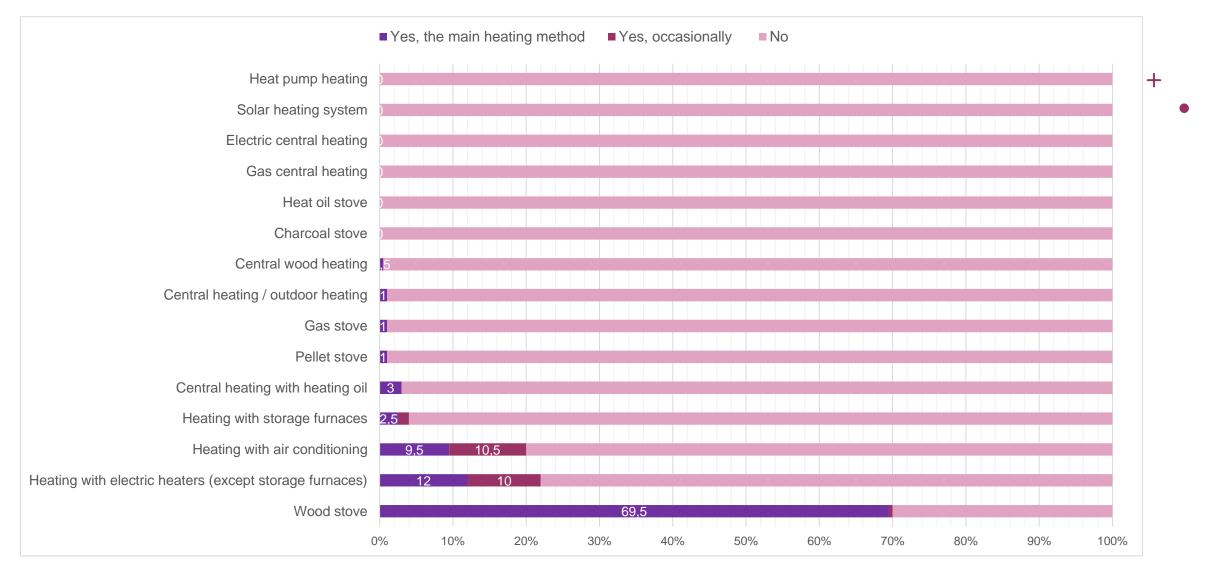


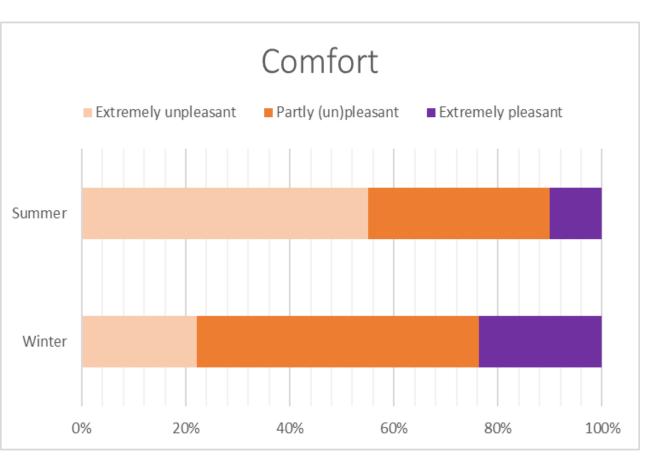


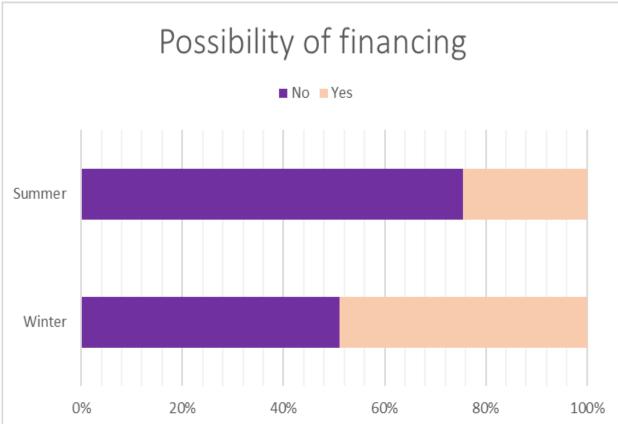








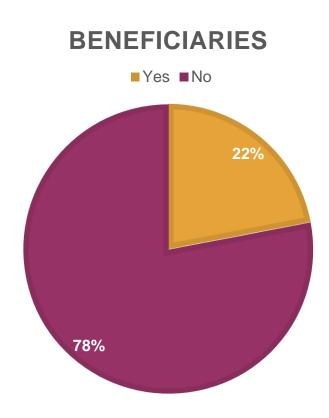




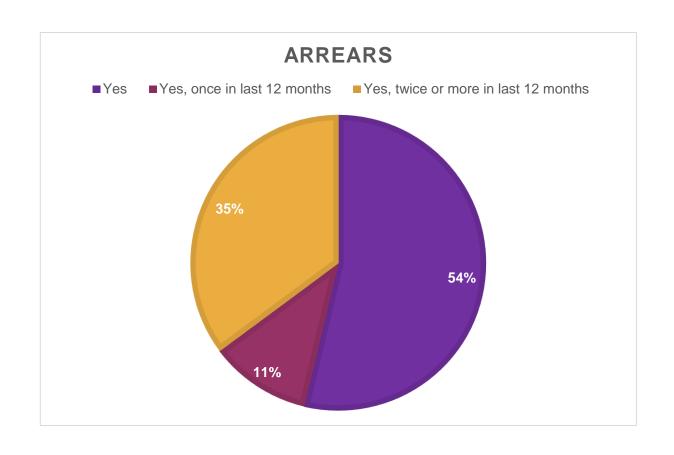
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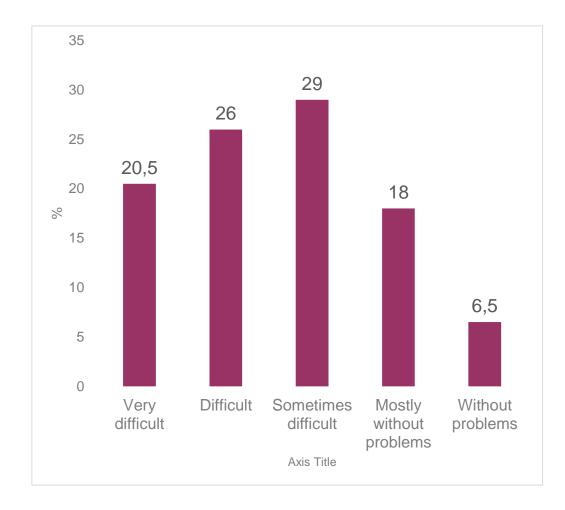
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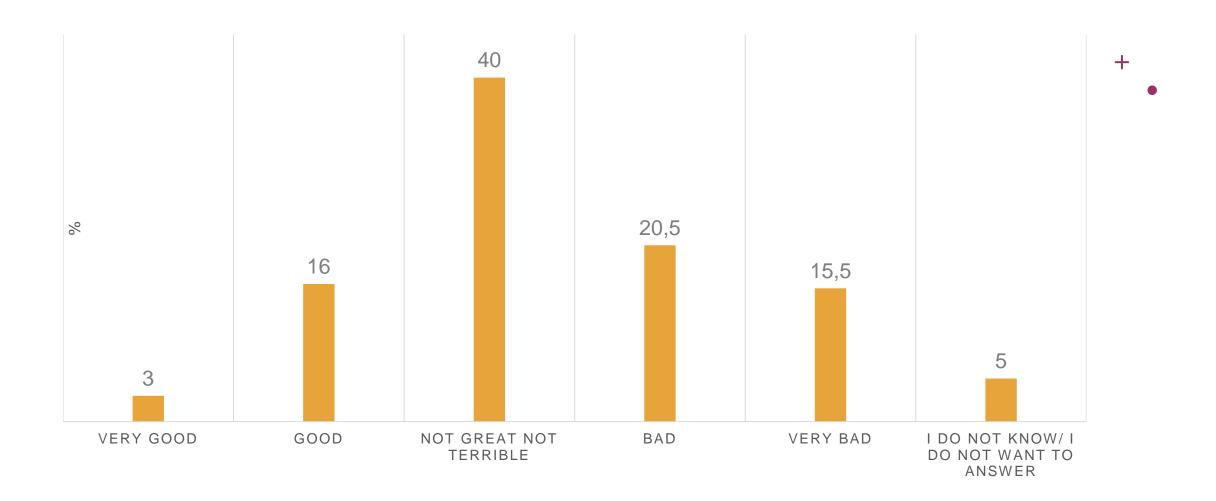
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SOCIAL ASPECTS AND HOUSING









Summary



Funding: Horizon 2020

Project website:

https://energymeasures.eu

Participants from across Europe:

12 beneficiary organisations

















Lead organisation:

Uniwersytet w Cork (IE)

Polish city invloved:

Bielsko-Biała



EnergyMeasures goal



EnergyMeasures partners are working to address energy poverty in seven European countries (BE, BG, IE, MK, NL, PL, UK) through two complementary and synergistic strands of work.

- direct household engagements programme
- that are complemented by policy and practice innovations.

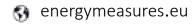
EnergyMeasures campaign goal



The aim of the project is to raise the **energy awareness** of the inhabitants of Bielsko-Biała and to **reduce energy consumption** by using solutions that are **simple and accessible to everyone**, **without compromising comfort of living**.

The studies carried out as part of the programme make it possible to increase the energy awareness of the city's inhabitants and spread knowledge of climate protection and the importance of individual action in creating change.





Target group

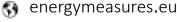


The programme is aimed at people who want to:

- use electricity and heat with awareness,
- reduce their energy consumption without reducing their living comfort,
- find simple and inexpensive solutions to make better use of energy.



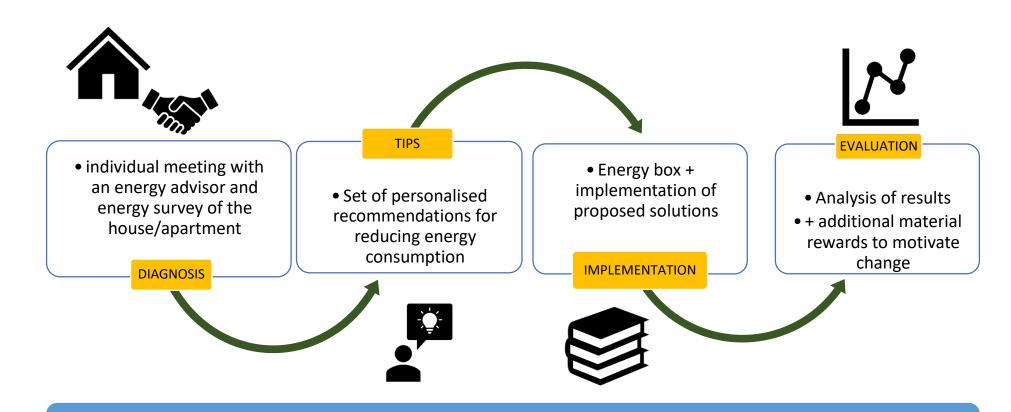






Participatory process





Programme promotion and visibility/recognistion building







Households identification

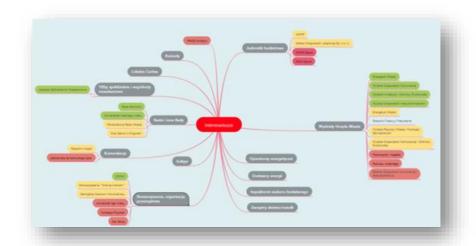
- Energy Measures

 Tailored measures supporting energy vulnerable households
 - DIAGNOSIS

- Analysis of target group
- Analysis of available information channels
- Analysis of opportunities for resident support and stakeholder involvement

Development of an Households Engagement Plan of households affected by energy

poverty

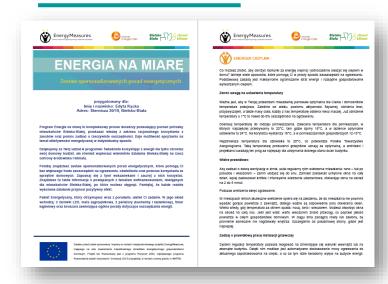






Tailored energy advisory





 Development of a survey form to investigate the energy situation and habits of households
 Preparation of a system to collect and analyse

data electronically

- Development, testing and implementation of an IT programme generating individual action plans to reduce energy consumption based on the results of the survey
- Two individual meetings with residents taking part in the "EnergyMeasures" programme





Udział w programie ENERGIA NA MIARĘ krok po kroku:

- 4. ZMIANA Otrzymasz zestaw porad energetycznych dopasowanych do Twoich potrzeb oraz Pasite Energetyczny, który pozwoli Ci stosować proste i opłacalne rozwiązania.
- 5. KONKURS Oszczędzając przez rok energię możesz wygrać nagrody







Contact with households





- GDPR-compliant documentation for individual programme participants
- Start of survey of households enrolled in the programme
 - 1st visit meeting with the Advisor with the possibility to measure the consumption of individual household appliances or analyse the building with a thermal imaging camera) and collect data
 - 2nd visit handing over the guidance and the Energy Package
- Collection of energy consumption data
- → Verification of reduction in consumption, one year after entering the programme

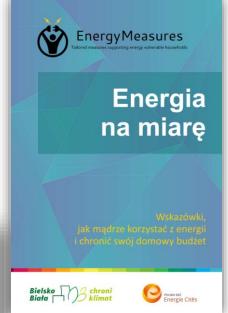


Tailored energy advisory

- Energy Measures
 Tailored measures supporting energy vulnerable households
 - **IMPLEMENTATION**

- Preparation of brochure with energy-saving tips
- Needs analysis and preparation of 'energy packs' for participants including energy efficient light bulbs, aerators, radiator foils, timers and energy saving brochures
- Distribution of personalised advice for the household







Implemented habbits verification



EVALUATION



- Competition with in-kind prizes for the households with the highest savings in two categories:
 - Thermal energy
 - Electricity
- Evaluation survey one year after the first meeting (habits + savings)
- Official summary of the programme at an environmental event for residents



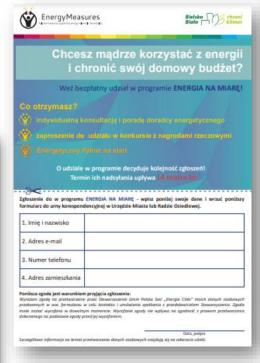
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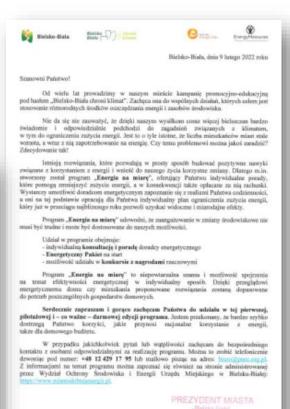


PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

- Posters and leaflets
- Brochures
- Articles and press releases
- Letter of recommendation from the Mayor
- Dedicated letters to specific stakeholder groups









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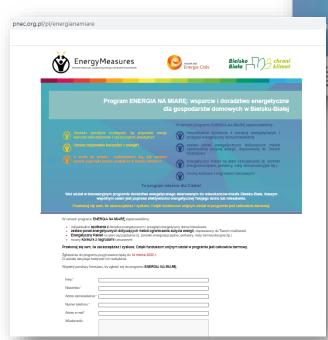
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OFFLINE ACTIONS

- Distribution of posters and leaflets in public buildings in the city
- Organisation of an information point in the city hall
- Press releases in the local press and an announcement on radio
- Organisation of meetings in the city with the involvement of the various concerned Neighbourhood Councils, senior citizens' clubs etc.
- Programme stand at city events



Chcesz madrze korzystać z energii i chronić swój domowy budżet?

Weź udział w darmowym programie **ENERGIA NA MIARE!**

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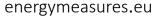
- Articles on the websites of PNEC, Bielsko-Biała,
 Neighbourhood Councils
- Information provision using the electronic school information system
- Use of mailing lists office, participants in local support programmes, institutions supporting residents
- Regular promotion in social media of the city and the Association
- Designeted tab about the project on the website of the city and the organiser



domowy budżet i nie obniżając przy tym komfortu życia.

Czytaj więcej...







Why it is worthy?

- Energy Measures

 Tailored measures supporting energy vulnerable households
- Direct contact with residents and building the information base
- Dissemination of knowledge, good practices and building awareness among residents
- Testing effective methods of cooperation and contact with residents
- Collecting data for climate-related documents climate-related documents (including SECAP)
- Diagnosis of causes of energy poverty























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BREAKOUT GROUP CAMPAIGN THEME

Scenario 1	Scenario 2
In my city I want to target elderly people or women that I have identified being affected on energy poverty in an X neighborhood of my city.	I have in my capacity X amount of budget and a local NGO has expressed interest to collaborate.
Target Group: Elderly or Women	Target Group: Vulnerable people
Funding: Not available	Funding: Available
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