



National finance roundtables for sustainable energy investments

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Objectives

- **Improve access to private finance** for energy efficiency and integrated renewables across EU,
- Improve **dialogue, co-operation** and **awareness** between key public & private stakeholders (including financial sector)
- **build capacity** in order to **develop large-scale investment programmes** that **mobilise private finance** for investments in energy efficiency and integrated renewables.

-> **Set-up permanent national roundtables focusing on energy efficiency investments and small-scale integrated renewables**



Scope (1/3) – What are national roundtables?

- **Permanent multilateral discussion forums** gathering the **relevant stakeholders**, including but not limited to government, local and regional authorities, **financial sector**, ESCOs, homeowners, industry sector, construction sector and SME sector, consumers and citizens associations.
- Focus on **energy renovation of existing private and/or public buildings**, as well as **district heating, investments in SMEs and the tertiary sector**.
- **Can target regional levels in addition to the national level if relevant.**
- Build on:
 - **Smart Finance for Smart Building Initiative** (3 pillars: more effective use of public funds, aggregation and project development assistance and de-risking)
 - **Sustainable Energy Investment Forums**



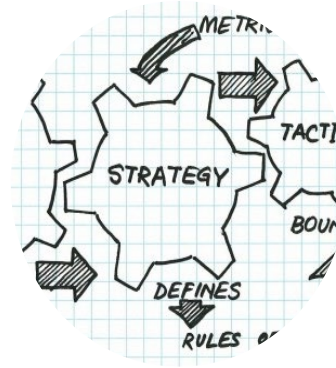
Scope (2/3) - What are national roundtables?



Forum for all stakeholders to provide input into the policy making process, regular & focused working groups



Upscale existing best practices from the national and European level



Develop strategies, roadmaps and action plans + improvement of national policy frameworks and measures + follow implementation



Develop jointly template documents and contracts leading to a better functioning market



Where relevant, could include a component on citizen engagement to reinforce the case for sustainable energy investments.

Scope (3/3) - Eligibility



Multi country
proposals

OR



Single country
proposals



Small share of activities to
exchange with other roundtables
(coordinated by Commission)

- Eligibility criteria: proposal must be submitted by **at least one applicant from an eligible country**
- In case a dialogue initiative on sustainable energy financing is already in place in a targeted Member State, **the proposal shall justify clearly complementarity and additionality.**



Impacts

- Proposals should result in **permanent national (and regional if relevant) multilateral discussion forums** addressing energy efficiency investments and energy renovations topics, **actively engaging key stakeholders in particular from the finance sector.**
- This should result in **improved national policies** allowing an **increase in building energy renovation**, in particular through the **involvement of private finance.**
- The impacts of the proposals should be demonstrated during the project and within 5 years after the project lifetime.



Impacts - quantifications

- **Number of national (and regional if relevant) policy documents** resulting from the roundtables;
- Number of **key stakeholders involved in the roundtables**, in particular from the **financial** sector;
- Number of **meetings** of the national (and regional if relevant) roundtables **including thematic working groups** organised;
- **Investments in sustainable energy renovation** triggered by the project (cumulative, in million Euro)
- **Primary energy savings triggered** by the project (in GWh/year)
- **Renewable energy generation** triggered by the project (in GWh/year)



What makes a good proposal?

- Clear definition of the **format** of roundtable, of the thematic working groups. Clear definition of the **market segment** targeted.
- **Permanence** of the roundtable: demonstrate that the initiative is likely to continue beyond the project, reflect on the stakeholders' self-interest
- **Involvement of market actors** (e.g. involvement of and/or engagement strategies regarding key stakeholders and, in particular, financial sector actors)
- Propose relevant measures to build a **safe space** for (technical & political) discussions
- Clear definition of the **outputs** of the roundtables & how will it be used / taken up



Examples (Projects financed under H2020 EE)

- [SMAFIN](#) (Greece, Bulgaria, Romania and Croatia),



- [AUNA](#) (Spain),



- [RoundBaltic](#) (Denmark, Poland and Latvia),



- [Greendeal4buildings](#) (Czech Republic and Slovakia),



- [GreenHome](#) (Germany),



- [Greenroads](#) (Italy)



- [BeSMART](#) (Bulgaria).



Example – Sustainable Energy Investment Forums (SEIF)

- Initiative from DG ENERGY / CINEA, launched in 2016 with the aim of enhancing the capacity of and co-operation between public and private stakeholders to develop large-scale investment programmes and financing schemes.
- A series of **public conferences, national roundtable** discussions and **webinars, in almost all EU countries** – organised under the **Chatham House rule**.
- SEI Forums have engaged a wide range of representatives from the financial sector, public authorities, energy services suppliers and other stakeholders involved in delivering investments in sustainable energy at EU and national levels.
- More information [online](#) – including material from events (agenda, background documents, proceedings...)



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