LIFE-2024-CET-RENOPUB: Facilitation structures for the renovation of public buildings

LIFE Clean Energy Transition Call 2024

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Policy drivers

• REPowerEU: phase out EU dependence on fossil fuels → energy efficiency

• European Green Deal’s Renovation Wave: double renovation rate of buildings

• Recast Energy Efficiency Directive: public sector leading on energy efficiency (Articles -5-7) – targets to be achieved now by all public bodies at national, regional and local levels
Challenge

• Create, operationalise and sustain long-term structures to support public authorities in developing and implementing public buildings renovation

• Accelerate energy renovations of public buildings to nearly zero-energy buildings (nZEB) or zero-emission buildings (ZEB).

• Develop and deploy long-term financial and market-based instruments to finance the renovation wave in the public sector
Scope – What proposals are we looking for? (1)

• Establish and operate regional/national facilitation structures to accelerate the renovation wave in the public sector → scale is important!

• Governance, mandate, geographical coverage and sustainability of the facilitation structures to be established

• Comprehensive, all-inclusive services (A-Z) to public authorities

• Retrofitting to nZEB or ZEB standards
Scope – What proposals are we looking for? (2)

• Describe in your proposal how you will:
  
  • Ensure **long-term sustainability** of the facilitation structure by obtaining stakeholder support and becoming financially self-sustaining.
  
  • **Mobilise and work with local authorities** to identify and invest in the renovation of public buildings to nZEB and ZEB standards. Demonstrate buy-in from your local authorities in your proposal!
  
  • **Integrate financial engineering** to facilitate the use of financial instruments and market-based instruments; to increase blended finance of public and private sources; and to absorb relevant EU funds.
Scope – What proposals are we looking for? (3)

- **Describe** in your proposal how you will:
  - Integrate legal assistance to **facilitate and prioritise the aggregation of building renovation projects** with the aim to upscale overall renovation and attract private investors.
  - Develop **efficient procurement processes** ensuring that renovations are delivered at pace, enabling the bundling/upscaling of renovation projects and ensuring high quality of renovation works.

→ Always consult [detailed funding topic description](#) on F&T Opportunities Portal!
Build on ongoing RENOPUB projects

• Establishment of a One-Stop-Shop facility in North-West Croatia (LIFE22-CET-CROSS)

• Transforming Renovation in the Southern Seaboard Region - Ireland (LIFE22-CET-TRESS)

• Global Assistance Service for Low Energy investments toward a foSSil free Public sector – Italy (LIFE22-CET-GASLESS)

• Public Building Regional Renovation Service Package for Large Scale Deployment – France

• JINAG Energy Unit - system support of the renovation wave in the South Moravian Region – Czechia LIFE22-CET-LIFE JINAG EnU

• **Build on** experiences and solutions developed by 5 ongoing RENOPUB projects and over 150 ELENA and PDA/MLEI projects

• Proposals may be submitted by a single applicant or by applicants from a single eligible country.

• Project size: indicative EU contribution EUR 1m – 1.5m
Expected Impacts

Proposals should result in **long-term facilitation structures** which are **tested, implemented and operational** at the end of the action, i.e. delivering renovation projects to nZEB and ZEB standards.

Proposals should **quantify their impacts** using the **indicators listed below**, where relevant, as well as other project-specific performance indicators:

- Number of public buildings renovated to nZEB or ZEB standards targeted with the facilitation structure.
- Number of public authorities supported through the services of the facilitation structures.
- Average percentage of energy savings per investment project.
- Additional amount of funding support (EU and/or private sources) leveraged into the territory thanks to facilitation services.
- Primary energy savings triggered by the project (in GWh/year).
- Renewable energy generation triggered by the project (in GWh/year).
- Investments in sustainable energy triggered by the project (cumulative, in million Euro).
- Number of jobs directly and indirectly created.
More information

• Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal: LIFE-CET-2024-RENOPUB

  • Detailed topic description

  • Application form template, Detailed budget table, Call document

  • Links to Info Day recordings and presentations (upcoming)

• LIFE Calls for Proposals page

• Ongoing RENOPUB projects
Thank you.