



# Capacity building in public authorities

Technical support to clean energy transition plans and strategies in municipalities and regions



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# Context and aim

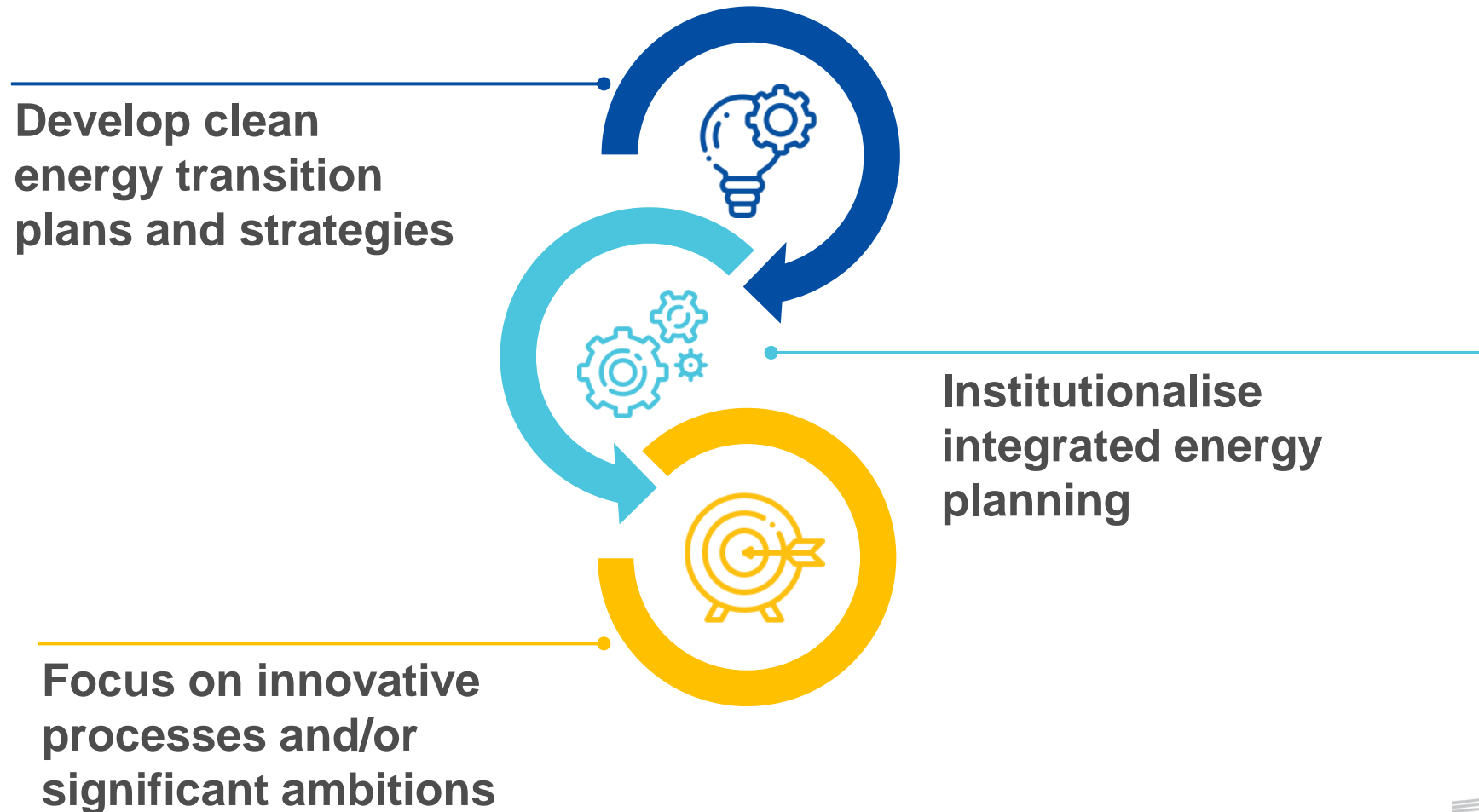
- cities and regions decisive to achieve EU carbon neutrality
- need to build necessary capacity
- commit to the clean energy transition and effectively plan it
- deliver institutionalised, cross sectoral and tailored-made sustainable plans and strategies

# Challenges

- move from (only) energy plans to **energy + climate / transition** plans
- align existing plans to **new**, more ambitious **targets** of carbon neutrality
- **holistic** planning and sectoral **integration**
- secure stronger **political commitment** and **resources** to deliver the plans
- develop **governance** structures to implement the change
- **coherence** with other strategies (National Energy and Climate Plans, Recovery Plans, Long Term Renovation Strategies, etc.)



# Scope – actions should...



# Develop clean energy transition plans and strategies



- **capacity building** for cities and regions (technical, legal and social skills)
- **ambitious long-term** clean energy transition plans/strategies for 2030 / 2050
- coherent with EU and national reporting **frameworks**
- right mix of **activities** (tailored-made assistance, training programmes for policy-makers/public officers, replication and roll-out of best practices, etc.)
- support in gaining **resources** to deliver holistic, integrated and inclusive energy planning based on stakeholders' engagement and social innovations



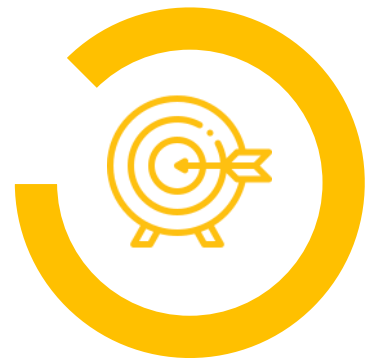
# Institutionalise integrated energy planning



- facilitate **cross-sectoral approach** -> clean energy + mobility + transport + land-use + urban planning + services + infrastructures, etc.
- **professionalise and accelerate** planning processes
- break silos and **increase cooperation** between different departments
- support **higher ambition** levels and maximise the impact of local plans
- consider **regulatory framework** conditions and **social impact** of plans
- **involve and engage** civil society and multiple stakeholders through new participatory policy models, planning instruments and governance structures



# Focus on innovative processes and/or significant level of ambition



- specific **territorial focus**
- on public authorities willing to establish **innovative** planning processes through local **pilots**
- and/or on geographical areas, municipalities and regions that despite their **significant level of ambition** are still lagging behind, affected by the transition and not yet fully engaged in it



# Examples of projects





# Expected impacts

Number of policies/plans/strategies established

Primary energy savings, renewable energy generation (GWh/year)

Political commitment and appropriate resources secured for transition plans (in Euro or %)

Number of collaborations between departments and between public authorities and stakeholders

Numbers of stakeholders involved in planning the energy transition

Number of public officers with improved capacity/skills in planning the energy transition

Number of public authorities mobilised that are currently not engaged in key EU initiatives

Investments in sustainable energy triggered by the project (cumulative, in Euro)



# FAQs

- Do local and regional authorities need to be **beneficiaries** of the consortium?
  - no obligation to include local and regional authorities as beneficiaries; however, public authorities need to be strongly engaged in the proposed activities.
- Do applicants need to address all the expected **impacts** listed?
  - proposals should address only those impact indicators mentioned in the Call that are relevant considering the scope, objectives and expected outputs of the proposed action.
- Do applicants need to address all points in the list under the '**Scope**' section?
  - It is considered equally relevant to focus only on one point or to address several points in combination with each other.



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