



# LIFE-2022-CET-RENOPUB: Setting up facilitation structures to accelerate the renovation wave in the public sector

LIFE Clean Energy Transition Call 2022



*Martin Eibl, Senior Project Advisor, CINEA*

*EU LIFE Info Days, 20 May 2022*

## Policy drivers

- REPowerEU: phase out EU dependence on fossil fuels → energy efficiency
- European Green Deal's Renovation Wave: double renovation rate of buildings
- Proposed amendment to Energy Efficiency Directive: public sector leading on energy efficiency → scope widened to include all public bodies



# Challenge

- Create and sustain **long-term capacity and skills** amongst public authorities to develop and implement project pipelines
- **Upscale** ambitious energy renovations of public buildings
- **Accelerate** ambitious energy renovations of public buildings



## Scope – What proposals are we looking for?

- **Establish and operate regional/national facilitation structures** to accelerate the renovation wave in the public sector
- Cover a **larger territory** → structures of scale
- **Governance, mandate, geographical coverage and sustainability** of the facilitation structures to be established
- **Build on** experiences and solutions developed by over 150 ELENA and PDA/MLEI projects



## Scope – What proposals are we looking for? (2)

- Describe your **comprehensive service package**, in particular how you will:
  - Ensure **long-term sustainability** of the facilitation structure by obtaining stakeholder support and becoming financially self-sustaining.
  - Reduce complexity and **simplify decision making** for public authorities to **stimulate demand** for building renovation and energy performance improvements.
  - Proactively **identify and mobilise public buildings** for comprehensive energy refurbishments.
  - Promote the uptake of **cost-effective deep renovation of buildings** with highly ambitious energy savings in line with the Europe's decarbonisation target.



# Scope – What proposals are we looking for? (3)

- Describe your **comprehensive service package**, in particular 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 (including ambitious energy savings).
  - Integrate financial engineering support to **facilitate the use of financial instruments and market-based instruments** and to **increase blended finance of public and private sources** and uptake of EU funding sources
  - **Engage with relevant actors** in the value chain e.g. construction companies, architects, engineers, urban planners, financiers, etc.
  - **Improve awareness and trust** towards such facilitation structures through clear accountability, cost and service transparency and **quality assurance**.



# Scope – Other important information

- Proposals may be submitted by **a single applicant** or **by applicants from a single eligible country**.
- EU contribution **EUR 1m – 1.5m** (non-exclusive)



# 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.

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

- Number of buildings with increased energy performance (e.g. ZEB levels) owned by public authorities in the specific areas/territories targeted with the facilitation structures.
- Number of public authorities supported through the services of the facilitation structures.
- Investments in sustainable energy 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).
- Additional amount of funding support (EU and/or private sources) leveraged into the territory thanks to facilitation services.
- Number of jobs directly and indirectly created.





# Keep in touch with us

Any questions on CET call topics? Email us on:  
[CINEA-LIFE-CET@ec.europa.eu](mailto:CINEA-LIFE-CET@ec.europa.eu)



30 years of bringing green ideas to LIFE



[https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/life\\_en](https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/life_en)



[LIFE Programme](#)



[@LIFEprogramme](#)  
[@CleanEnergy\\_EU](#)



[LIFE Programme](#)



[LIFE Programme](#)



[@LIFEprogramme](#)



[LIFE Newsletter](#)  
[Clean Energy Newsletter](#)



# Thank you



© European Union 2022

Unless otherwise noted the reuse of this presentation is authorised under the [CC BY 4.0](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/) license. For any use or reproduction of elements that are not owned by the EU, permission may need to be sought directly from the respective right holders.

