FOSTERING THE GROWTH

OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN THE EU INDUSTRY

EU-MERCI

EU coordinated MEthods and procedures based on Real Cases for the effective implementation of policies and measures supporting energy efficiency in the Industry.

Providing the EU enterprises and policy makers with best practices and tools to increase the competiveness of the EU industry by improving the efficient use of energy.





THE PROJECT

EU-MERCI will identify best practices of implementation of energy efficiency projects, drawing from the experience of thousands real cases of application of energy efficiency support schemes in Europe, in order to support the effective implementation of the EU Energy Efficiency Directive. The collected case studies, disseminated through an extensive capacity building action, will allow industrial enterprises to catch the opportunities related to energy efficiency actions.

Besides, the analysis of the existing energy efficiency support schemes will help policy makers in designing new support schemes or improving the existing ones. The lessons learnt from countries with consolidated energy efficiency schemes in place will be transferred to countries less advanced. A stakeholder community dealing with industrial energy efficiency policies and actions will be created, to accelerate and facilitate the path toward the 2030 energy efficiency targets.

A REPOSITORY OF INDUSTRIAL BEST PRACTICES

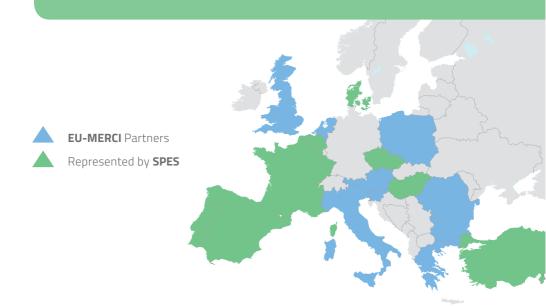
A database of industrial best practices will be created through the analysis of the projects presented within the existing support schemes at EU level and the information collected via an extensive survey involving both industries and their associations, and policy makers. This repository will be available to all the interested stakeholders through a dedicated web platform. Despite the rise of awareness of the last years, many energy efficiency actions are not implemented due to lack of knowledge, examples, and other information barriers. The collected best practices will help industrial enterprises to find out the best available solutions to improve their use of energy and their competitiveness and will stimulate them by showing case studies and real achievements.

SUPPORT ACTIONS FOR POLICY MAKERS

EU-MERCI will support policy makers to design new schemes and improve the existing ones. The analysis of the existing support policies for energy efficiency, together with the detailed investigation of the technological case studies, will offer a comprehensive view on the different issues of energy efficiency support schemes (energy savings measurement and verification, baseline, additionality, materiality, etc.).

COMMUNITY OF STAKEHOLDERS

EU-MERCI will involve an important number of national and European stakeholders from the analysis to the dissemination of the energy efficiency best practices. This community will both act as supplier of relevant information and case studies, and as the beneficiary of the analysis and the project outcomes. Social networks will help people to get and keep in touch and exchange information and experiences.



PARTNERS

The project partners, working to seek, develop and disseminate best practices are:

- ► Ricerca sul Sistema Energetico, *Italy* (**RSE**);
- ▶ JIN Climate and Sustainability, The Netherlands (JIN);
- ► Center for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving, Greece (CRES);
- ► Polish National Energy Conservation Agency, Poland (KAPE);
- ► Austrian Energy Agency, Austria (AEA);
- ▶ Italian Federation for Energy Efficiency, Italy (FIRE);
- ► Carbon Trust, *United Kingdom* (Carbon Trust);
- ▶ Black Sea Energy Research Centre, Bulgaria (BSERC);
- ► Energy Restructuring Agency, Slovenia (ApE);
- ► Spread European Safety SPES GEIE (SPES);
- ► Centre for the Promotion of Clean and Efficient Energy in Romania, Romania (ENERO).

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