

**Think local first: designing an EU building policy framework centred on consumers, local authorities and energy advisory services to deliver on Europe’s renovation challenge**

Tuesday 20th June 2017 as part of EU Sustainable Energy Week, 9.30-12.05 followed by lunch

Renewable Energy House, Rue d’Arlon 63-67, 1040 Brussels

**Agenda**

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| 9.30 | **Welcome and short introductions on the Horizon 2020 PUBLENEF project and the Energy Advice Exchange – David Donnerer (PUBLENEF) / Rod Janssen (Energy Advice Exchange)** | **10 mins** |
| **Policy Roundtable 1, moderated by Rod Janssen (Energy Advice Exchange)** |
| 9.40 | **Introductions to panel members*** Mariangiola Fabbri, BPIE
* Ulrich Bang, VELUX Group
* Isabelle Buscke, Federation of German Consumer Organisations (VZBV)
* Florent Marcellesi, EP EPBD shadow rapporteur, Greens/EFA (TBC)
 | **5 mins** |
| 9.45 | **Panel discussion:***How can EU and national policy facilitate the provision of integrated energy renovation and advisory services to consumers? What is the role for EU directives/frameworks vs national and local policy?* | **30 mins** |
| 10.15 | **Plenary discussion** | **25 mins** |
| 10.40 | **Refreshment break** | **15 mins** |
| **Policy Roundtable 2, moderated by Rod Janssen (Energy Advice Exchange)** |
| 10.55 | **Introductions to panel members*** Marco Mordacci, City of Parma
* Sorcha Edwards, Housing Europe
* Silvia Zinetti, Sustainable energy consultant, Oceanside, California
* Stephen Hibbert, ING (TBC)
 | **5 mins** |
| 11.00 | **Panel Discussion 2:** *What is the role and potential of local authorities and local energy advisory services in attracting private sector finance and investment for building renovations?* | **30 mins** |
| 11.30 | **Plenary discussion 2** | **25 mins** |
| 11.55 | **Summary and Conclusions**  | **10 mins** |
| 12.05 | **Close and lunch** |  |

**Rationale of event**
The Commission’s Clean Energy for all Europeans package has vowed to deliver a fair deal for European consumers, make the EU number one in renewables and put energy efficiency first. The buildings sector will have a crucial role to deliver on these targets. In order to reach the ambitious goal of decarbonizing the building stock by 2050, the way building renovation is undertaken in the EU will have to be transformed substantially.

Consumers, local authorities and energy advisory services are the three leading forces, whose combined actions will enable Europe to deliver on its 2050 renovation challenge. Their manifold collaboration on the ground, in cooperation with other private and public stakeholders, is key to unlock widespread demand for renovation, ensure a just transition through affordable renovation schemes and increase the quality of life of European citizens.

The revision of the EU building policy framework in the context of the Clean Energy for all Europeans package provides an essential opportunity to empower consumers, local authorities and energy advisory services in putting Europe on track of its long-term renovation goal.

This Policy Roundtable, organized by the PUBLENEF project and the Energy Advice Exchange, will address the questions of 1) how EU and national policy can support the provision of integrated energy renovation and advisory services to consumers and 2) what is the role of local authorities and local energy advisory services in attracting private sector finance and investment for building renovations?The roundtable will bring together consumer organisations, local authorities and building policy experts to discuss these questions and the audience will be encouraged to join the debate.

**About the organizers**
***PUBLENEF’s overarching goal is to assist Member States in implementing effective and efficient sustainable energy policies*** *(with the focus on energy efficiency) and empower them to make use of the best practices and policy processes implemented in other Member States at the national, regional and/or local level.*

**Energy Advice Exchange** is an informal discussion group bringing together a wide range of actors, who are arguing for a higher priority for the provision of energy advice. It aims to support all stakeholders in the legislative process of the European Commission’s Clean Energy for All Europeans package.

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