



**INNOVER-EAST: Cooperation possibilities
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Cooperation possibilities with EPC countries

INNOVER-EAST

Building a more effective pathway leading from research to innovation through cooperation between the European Union and Eastern Partnership countries in the field of energy efficiency

Targeted EPC countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Ukraine



Participants

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5. Partner	ODO ENECA	ENECA	Republic of Belarus
6. Partner	Ivano-Frankivsk National Technical University of Oil and Gas	IFNTUOG	Ukraine
7. Partner	International Centre for Sustainable Development of Energy, Water and Environment Systems	SDEWES Centre	Croatia
8. Partner	European Alliance for Innovation	EAI	Belgium
9. Partner	Center for Research & Telecommunication Experimentation for NET Worked Communities	CREATE-NET	Italy
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11. Partner	Cleaner Production and Energy Efficiency Center	CPEE Center	Azerbaijan
12. Partner	ICEG European Center Kft.	ICEG	Hungary
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14. Partner	Intrasoft International SA	Intrasoft International SA	Luxembourg
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Aims and Objectives

The **INNOVER-EAST project aims** at developing new skills and competences in innovation services at relevant organizations in the EPCs, and contributing to the learning process on how to bridge knowledge and business with a direct focus on energy efficiency.

The **main objective** of the project is to bridge effectively the gap between research and innovation, between researchers and business, and between EU and the targeted Eastern Partnership countries (EPCs) in the field of energy efficiency.



Specific Objectives 1/2

This main objective will be achieved by targeting the following **5 specific objectives**:

1. Capacity building on innovation services in the targeted EPCs for assisting both researchers and businesses in improving their performance to transfer technologies and knowledge from academy to industry/market. Special attention will be given to start-ups and other innovative SMEs.
2. Paving the way for a more effective commercialization and market uptake process of innovative products and solutions in the targeted EPCs.



Specific Objectives 2/2

3. Facilitating the policy dialogue between the EU, EU Member States, Associated Countries and the targeted EPCs, and in particular inside the targeted EPCs, on innovation related to energy efficiency
4. Building and developing capabilities at national level in the targeted EPCs among all stakeholders in the innovation value chain on energy efficiency, including academy, industry, government, innovation financing (private and public) and bridging (service provider) organizations
5. Improving and facilitating the networking activities of innovation actors (academy, industry, NGOs, intermediary service providers) between the EPC region and Europe (Member States and Associated countries) and promoting investment related to innovation in the EPCs

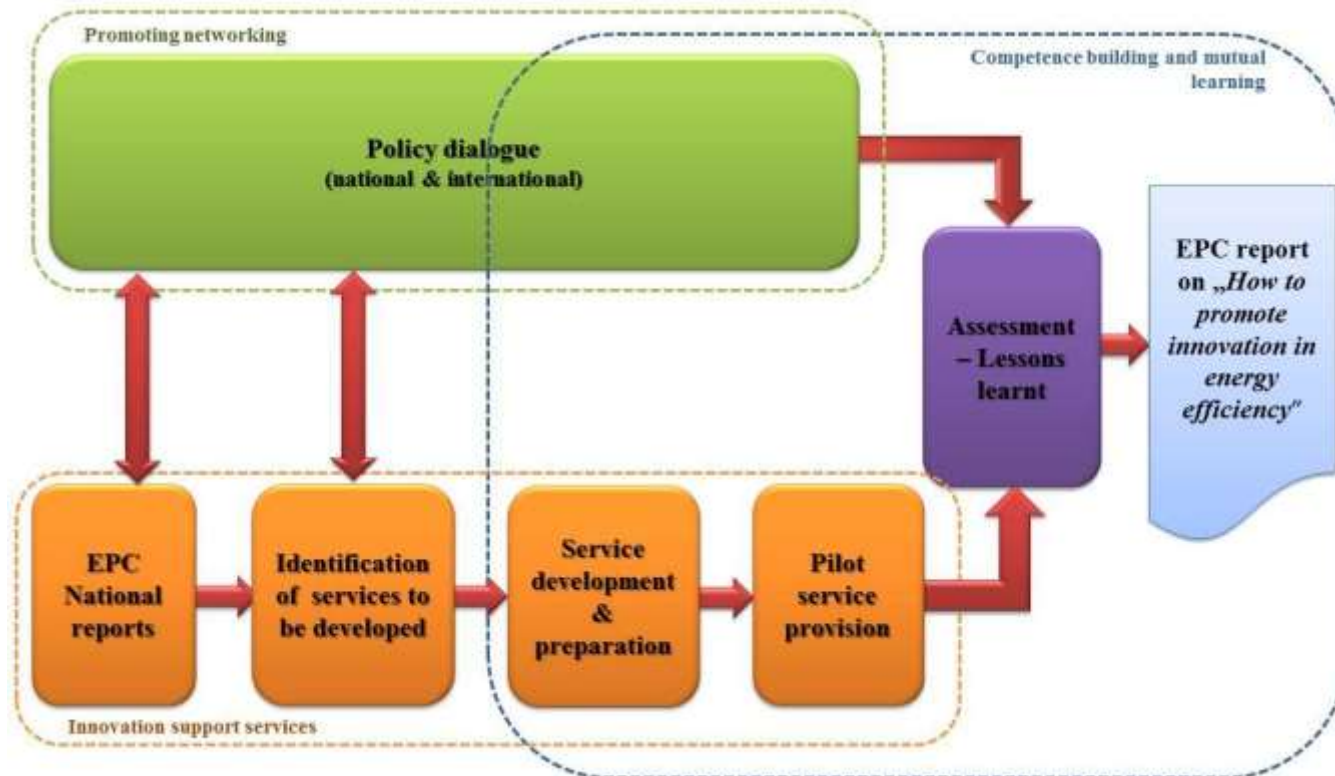


Main Activities

- Facilitating networking among actors in the knowledge/innovation value chain in order to better focus the research on socio-economic needs, as well as to facilitate the exploitation of research results
- Identifying bottlenecks of and opportunities for technology and knowledge transfer in the targeted EPCs (with special focus on start-ups, spin-offs from public research organizations and existing small businesses)
- Improving competencies and mutual learning by the exchange of good practices through twinings, trainings and other means of learning
- Developing and providing innovation support services for EPC stakeholders and building partnership between relevant organizations in the Member States and Associated Countries on one side and in the targeted EPCs on the other side



How activities can reach up objectives



- Survey of national state of innovation in EPCs
- Development of innovation services
- Support to pilot service delivery
- Policy dialogue and networking
- Dissemination of results



INNOVER-EAST targets one of the critical societal challenges of the Eastern Partnership Countries, energy and energy efficiency. All these countries consider **energy efficiency**, **energy savings** and the greater use of **renewable energy sources** as key priorities of their national energy strategies and policies.

The project's approach of '**energy efficiency through innovation**' will target another very important area of a social and economic activities: **innovation**. All countries of the region have recognized that the existing high quality human resources, researchers and engineers, should be considered as resources for development.



Based on the above mentioned **INNOVER-EAST** project impact is to:

- **develop new skills and competences in innovation services** at relevant organizations in the Eastern Partnership Countries
- **contribute to the learning process** on how to **bridge knowledge and business with a direct focus on energy efficiency**
- **develop the learning process** at both business and academy, and in the public sector, in particular at the policy making chain
- **improve the dimension and quality of policy dialogue** at both national, regional and European level



Impact 3/3

At the crossroad of these two targeted societal activities INNOVER-EAST meets several of the Work Programme's general and specific objectives:

- Facilitating policy dialogue among all stakeholders in energy efficiency innovation at national level in the EPCs and at international level between the EPCs and the EU and its Member States and Associated Countries
- Fostering cooperation between key stakeholders in energy efficiency innovation
- Building new capacities in promoting innovation in energy efficiency in the EPCs
- Strengthening the general capacities in the EPCs to tackle the high priority social challenge of energy efficiency through improving the innovation capabilities at national level and developing linkages with EU Member States and Associated Countries



Clustering activities

Close cooperation with:

ener2i (brokerages, trainings, shared results)

NoGAP (brokerages, trainings, shared results)

Interactive energy efficiency database of EPC stakeholders



To come ...

INNOVER-EAST brokerages and activities starting in 2015



Thank you for your attention!

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