

## Ongoing Regional Energy Efficiency Activities

*\* This is a non-exhaustive list of organizations, projects and programmes that are conducting energy efficiency related activities in the region. Major contribution to this list was given by Elena Anastasova, Chief expert on energy efficiency at the Municipality of Dobrich, Bulgaria.*

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*NALAS Energy Efficiency: [www.nalas.eu/ee](http://www.nalas.eu/ee)*

All activities of the NALAS Task Force on Energy Efficiency are published in the NALAS Knowledge Centre. This section also links to other energy-resources.

*Intelligent Energy - Europe: [ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/](http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/)*

The Intelligent Energy – Europe programme is run by the Executive Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation (EACI) on behalf of the European Commission, and seeks to bridge the gap between EU policies and how they impact on the ground. In mid-2008, the EACI managed more than 400 IEE projects and the establishment of 60 new local or regional energy agencies has been supported by the programme. IEE-funded initiatives also include the ManagEnergy Initiative and the Sustainable Energy Europe Campaign. The 2009 Call for Proposals is published at: [ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/call\\_for\\_proposals/](http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/call_for_proposals/)

*Energie-Cites: [www.energie-cites.eu](http://www.energie-cites.eu)*

Energie-Cités is the association of European local authorities promoting local sustainable energy policies. From 2007 to 2009, Energie-Cités is under the Presidency of the City of Heidelberg (DE) with a Board of Directors of 11 European cities. The association created in 1990 represents now more than 1000 towns and cities in 26 countries.

*Covenant of Mayors: [www.eumayors.eu](http://www.eumayors.eu)*

The Covenant of Mayors is a commitment by signatory towns and cities to go beyond the objectives of EU energy policy in terms of reduction in CO2 emissions through enhanced energy efficiency and cleaner energy production and use.

*European Energy Research Alliance: [www.eera-set.eu](http://www.eera-set.eu)*

Leading European energy research institutes have joined together to found the European Energy Research Alliance (EERA), with the aim of speeding up the development of the new energy technologies that Europe needs if it is to address the triple challenge of climate change, energy security and competitiveness. Between them, the 10 institutes have an annual budget for energy research and development (R&D) activities of over EUR 1,300 million. Through the EERA, the institutes will design and implement joint, pan-European research programmes and promote the sharing of world-class national research facilities. The first joint programmes are scheduled for launch in 2009.

*Municipal Network for Energy Efficiency: [www.munee.org](http://www.munee.org)*

The Municipal Network for Energy Efficiency (MUNEE) is a program in Central and Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States since 2001. MUNEE targets city officials, utilities and housing associations, as well as national level policy makers, compiling and disseminating energy efficiency information in local languages. The program has helped municipalities in 17 countries implement cost effective energy-efficiency measures that provide better heating in homes, schools, hospitals and municipal buildings, and that improve efficiency of municipal water supply systems.

Energy Efficiency 21 project: [www.ee-21.net](http://www.ee-21.net)



The Energy Efficiency 21 project is a region-wide project to enhance trade and co-operation in energy efficient, environmentally-sound techniques and management practices in order to help close the energy efficiency gap between actual practice and best technologies, and between ECE countries, in particular market developed countries and economies in transition. The Project supports the efforts of Central and Eastern Europe and CIS countries to enhance their energy efficiency and security to ease the energy supply constraints of economic transition. EE 21 assists these countries in meeting international environmental treaty obligations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UN FCCC) and the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UN ECE).

Regional Network for Efficient Use of Energy and Water Resources for South-Eastern Europe: [www.reneuer.com](http://www.reneuer.com)



The Regional Network for Efficient Use of Energy and Water Resources for South-eastern Europe (RENEUER) is an informal network, which was established by the initiative of representatives of central and local authorities, NGOs and companies of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia, Romania and Serbia and Montenegro. The goal of this network is to achieve the efficient use of energy and water resources in South-East Europe. The objective of the network is to promote the creation of favourable investment climate and market conditions for implementation of projects for energy and water efficiency improvement in support of the efforts of the Southeast European countries.

FEDARENE: [www.fedarene.org](http://www.fedarene.org)

**F·E·D·A·R·E·N·E** FEDARENE is the premier European network of regional and local organisations which implement, co-ordinate and facilitate energy and environment policies. Regional and local agencies, ministries and departments working in these fields, are represented in FEDARENE.

Display Campaign: [www.display-campaign.org](http://www.display-campaign.org)



The European Display® Campaign is a voluntary scheme designed by energy experts from 20 European towns and cities. It is aimed at encouraging local authorities to publicly display the energy and environmental performances of their public buildings using the same energy label that is used for household appliances. The idea is to engage citizens and make them more conscious of their energy consumption in order to reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions and achieve financial savings.

Management of Domains Related to Energy in Local Authorities: [www.energymodel.eu](http://www.energymodel.eu)



MODEL aims at helping local authorities to become models for both the citizens and the other European municipalities. Its main objective is to improve the practical capacities of local authorities and/or local energy agencies from 10 New Member States and Croatia to better deal with intelligent energy issues at both individual (municipalities) and collective (national networks or embryos of networks) levels.

The European GreenLight Programme: [www.eu-greenlight.org](http://www.eu-greenlight.org)



The GreenLight Programme is a voluntary pollution prevention initiative encouraging non-residential electricity consumers to commit towards the European Commission to install energy-efficient lighting technologies in their facilities. GreenLight was launched on 7 February 2000 by the European Commission Directorate General Energy & Transport.