Regional conference on financing energy efficiency in Spain and Portugal

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Organised by the European Commission in partnership with the Instituto de Crédito Oficial (ICO), the UN Environment Finance Initiative, and the Instituto para la Diversificación y ahorro de la Energía (IDAE).

**Background:** The Energy Union Framework Strategy puts energy efficiency as one of its five dimensions and states it is to be treated as an energy source in its own right. The ambitious Paris climate agreement also underlines the importance of energy efficiency. Investments in energy efficiency have proven to be one of the most cost-effective ways to support the transition to a low-carbon economy. Not only does it help the EU in turning its climate ambition into climate action, it also brings a number of significant benefits for European citizens and companies in terms of environment, health, security of supply, lower energy bills, more jobs and sustainable growth.

To realise the full potential of energy efficiency, public funds will not suffice and private financing will have to be unlocked at scale. In that context, energy policy should create more favourable investment conditions, encourage demand for energy efficiency and help consumers undertake energy efficiency investments more easily.

This event aims to share best practice from Spain and Portugal on how energy efficiency investments can be financed. This includes the use of private funds and innovative financing instruments, notably in the building and industry sectors. Speakers will focus on practical experience in developing and structuring and financing energy efficiency investment programmes and the event will allow time for debate.

The event is organised in the frame of the Sustainable Energy Investment Forums contract funded by the Horizon 2020 programme of the European Union.

The event will be held in Spanish and English with interpretation.
Agenda

8:30   Registration and welcome coffee

9:00   Welcome and introduction by Instituto de Crédito Oficial (ICO)
       Fernando Navarrete, Chief Financial Officer, ICO

9:10   European and national overviews
       Session chaired by Peter Sweatman, CEO of Climate Strategy
       EU policies in support of energy efficiency investments
       Paula Rey Garcia, Head Buildings & Finance Team, Energy Efficiency Unit, European
       Commission
       Mobilising the financial sector on energy efficiency
       Martin Schoenberg, UN Environment Finance Initiative
       National strategies for financing energy efficiency in Spain
       Francisca Rivero, Head of the Department of Coordination and Support to Energy
       Savings and Efficiency, IDAE

Questions and answers

10:00  Energy efficiency finance in Spain and Portugal: state of play
       Session chaired by Peter Sweatman, CEO of Climate Strategy
       ICO support of the energy transition in Spain: Current situation and perspectives
       Mariano Colmenar, General Director of Business, ICO
       Outputs of the Energy Efficiency Financial Institutions Group (EEFIG) in Spain
       Mauricio Yrivarren, Senior Research Associate, Climate Strategy
       European Structural and Investment Funds in Spain and Portugal
       Myriam Bovéda/Tomás Salazar Brier, DG REGIO, European Commission
       Support provided by the European Investment Bank
       Juan Audibert, Loan Officer, European Investment Bank - Spain
       Energy efficiency financing in Portugal and Banco BPI support
       Sandra Barbosa Pinho, Banco BPI

Questions and answers

11:30  Coffee break
12:00  Parallel sessions 1

1.1  Making energy efficiency investible
Session chaired by Paula Rey Garcia, European Commission

Investor Confidence Project Europe
Jorge Rodrigues de Almeida, Founder/managing partner of RdA - Climate Solutions

De-risking Energy Efficiency Platform (DEEP)
Ivo Georgiev, EEFIG De-risking project

The energy efficient mortgage initiative
Miguel Garcia de Eulate, Caja Rural de Navarra Sociedad Cooperativa de Crédito
Marie Louise Andersen, European Mortgage Federation - European Covered Bond Council

Sustainable Energy Asset Evaluation and Optimisation Framework (SEAF)
Jessica Stromback, Joule Assets Europe AB

Questions and answers

1.2  Financing energy renovation in buildings
Session chaired by Christophe Milin, EASME

Stimulating the market for energy performance contracting
Elena González Sánchez, Director of the Asociación de Empresas de Servicios Energéticos (ANESE)

Energy performance contracting on public buildings in Turin (Italy)
Stefano Dotta, Envipark

Renovating buildings in Spain: the experience of the PAREER-CRECE programme
Fernando García Mozos, Head of Domestic and Building Department, IDAE

Padova FIT: renovating condominiums through energy performance contracting
Marco Devetta, Sogesca (Italy)

Questions and answers

13:30  Buffet lunch
2.1 Organising policy dialogue on sustainable energy investments
Session chaired by Andy Deacon, Climate Alliance

Experience from the BuildUpon project
Emilio Miguel Mitre, Green Building Council España

EnerInvest, the national platform for financing sustainable energy projects
Fernando Garcia Gutierrez, Deloitte

The Sustainable Energy Financing Platform in Austria
Clemens Plöchl, ÖGUT

The Green BuildInvest Initiative in the Netherlands
Esther Ruijgroorn, Project Manager, Green BuildInvest Initiative

Questions and answers

2.2 Bringing together finance and projects
Session chaired by Christophe Milin, EASME

Using the PF4EE guarantee fund to lend on energy efficiency projects
Shakira Tirado, Banco Santander

Standardization - a Requirement to finance Energy Efficiency Projects?
Alexander Rothlin, Director, SUSI Partners (TBC)

Financing energy efficiency in industry: the FERTIBERIA project
Francisca Galindo Paniagua, Technical Director, FERTIBERIA project

Trust EPC South
Paolo Sonvilla, CREARA

Questions and answers

16:00 Coffee break

16:15 Conclusions and next steps
Session chaired by Peter Sweatman, CEO of Climate Strategy

Panel discussion with reports from parallel sessions

Closing by the organisers

17:15 Networking cocktail