

Bridging the gap: sustainable energy actions from planning to implementation

Final Conference of the projects Mayors in Action & BEAST

When: Wednesday, 8 February 2017

Where: BIP Brussels, Koningsstraat 2-4, 1000 Brussels

Who: Policy makers and technical staff from local and regional governments, Signatories of the Covenant of Mayors, Covenant Supporters and Coordinators, energy agencies, business sector and energy stakeholders

What sustainable energy actions are being successfully implemented across Europe? What are the key factors for their success and how can they be replicated? These and more questions will be addressed by the conference “Bridging the gap: sustainable energy actions from planning to implementation”. Inspiring examples, good practices, and hands-on recommendations will be presented by local and regional governments and energy stakeholders that are designing, financing and implementing sustainable energy actions in their territories.

This free one-day workshop will provide ideas on how to bridge the gap between planning and implementing a wide range of sustainable energy actions, from energy efficiency and mobility measures, to renewable energy production and building renovation. The event will share lessons learned from two Intelligent Energy Europe funded projects: BEAST (Beyond Energy Action Strategies) and MAYORS in ACTION.

In addition to a great line-up of speakers and experts, the event will provide opportunities for exchange and discussion. A round of speed presentations will look at financing and implementing sustainable energy action, followed by an interactive panel discussion. A “matchmaking lunch”, in which expert hosts facilitate the networking among participants in a series of topical roundtables, will conclude the event.





Agenda

09.00 Registration of participants

Moderator: Ylva Ek, ESEA

09.30 **Bridging the gap: sustainable energy actions from planning to implementation**

Welcome and setting the scene

- *Tie Roefs - Deputy Governor for Environment & Sustainable Development of the province Vlaams-Brabant*
- *Vincent Berrutto - Head of Unit H2020 Energy, EASME*

10:00 **Keynote speaker**

Eero Ailio, Deputy Head DG Energy

10.20 **Implementing and financing sustainable energy actions: lessons learnt, best practices and methodologies from the BEAST and Mayors in Action projects**

- *Ylva Ek and Inga Kreicmane, BEAST project*
- *Federico De Filippi and Laura Papaleo, Mayors in Action project*

Q&A

11:00 **Coffee Break and mingling**

Moderator: Giorgia Rambelli, ICLEI Europe

11.30 **Panel discussion - Bridging the gap: how to implement bankable energy actions?**

This session will feature a debate on how to finance and implement actions in three main areas: a) transport and mobility, b) energy efficiency in public and residential sector, and c) renewable energy generation.

The panellists will be challenged to deliver a round of speed presentations (20 slides, 5 seconds each, for a total of 5 minutes). The speed presentations will be followed by an interactive panel discussion. Will join this session:

- **Optimizing energy efficiency in public buildings** – Veerle Leroy, deputy mayor of Beersel (Belgium) and Savvas Vlachos, Cyprus Energy Agency
- **Financing Energy Efficiency in the public sector** - Melita Boric, City of Zagreb
- **Participation is key for sustainable communities**- Marco Palma, Municipality of Santoriso
- **Accelerating renewables** – Goran Krajacic, University of Zagreb
- **Making sustainable mobility come true** – Guri Bugge, Østfold County council



- **Scaling up sustainable mobility** – Jo De Clercq, deputy mayor of Herent (Belgium)

13.00 **Conclusions** by Patrick Willems, General Director Interleuven

13.30 **Networking and matchmaking lunch**
Participants are invited to mingle and exchange at the topical tables (i.e. mobility, energy efficiency measure, RES, deep renovation)

