

UPGRADING THE PERFORMANCE OF DISTRICT HEATING NETWORKS IN EUROPE

BACKGROUND

Many district heating systems in Europe are old and running on fossil fuels. These systems often have poor maintenance, high customer heat costs and limited ability for user control, undermining the image of district heating.

The Upgrade DH project will tackles this problem by supporting and initiating the upgrading process of eight district heating demo cases in Europe: in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Denmark, Croatia, Germany, Italy, Lithuania, Poland, and in The Netherlands. This will be the basis for replicating the upgrading process in other cities

DEMO CASES Tuzla, Bosnia Herzegovina Middelfart, Denmark Sisak, Croatia Marburg, Germany Ferrara and Bologna, Italy Salcininkai, Lithuania Grudziadz, Poland Puremerend, the Netherlands

OBJECTIVES

The Upgrade DH project aims to improve the performance of selected existing district heating networks in Europe through the following activities:

Collection of best practice project examples of recently retrofitted DH networks

Collection of best practice instruments/ tools for diagnosing and retrofitting DH networks, including sustainable business and organisational models

Support of the upgrading process for selected district heating networks

Organisation of capacity building measures about district heating upgrading

Development of national and regional action plans

Image raising campaign for modern district heating networks



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