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National policy recommendations to mitigate energy poverty in the private rented sector

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Examine in depth energy poverty policies for the PRS across the EU



Support the adaption and implementation of 10 policies in 7 countries tailored to the PRS needs



Monitor and map the dimensions of energy poverty in the PRS with the Energy Poverty Dashboard



REGIONAL ENERGY ACTION REACT GROUPS

Landlords/ Co-owners' associations:

Validating feasibility from the owners' perspective + help to renovate and identify tenants at risk of energy poverty.

Charitable and social work associations:

Experience how to identify and communicate with energy poor households, support landlords in making their house/apartment more energy efficient.

Energy Agency/ Energy consultants:

Insights how to improve energy consulting and realise effective policy implementation.

Municipality/regional/ national policymakers:

Feedback on proposed policy design, enablers of replicability and provision of legislative and policy support and infrastructure.

Citizens groups/NGOs:

Real-life needs and support required, information on acceptability of the support scheme.

Utilities:

main actors in rolling out social tariffs, etc, utilities can give feedback on viability.

PILOT POLICIES IN ENPOR - AUSTRIA

Thermal renovation measures for energy poverty (grant for renovation)

- ❑ Austrian government is providing €100 million in 2021 and 2022 to enable low-income households to cope with renovation investments, alongside additional funds from the EU's Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF).
- ❑ ENPOR will contribute to new support offers focus on the PRS.



PILOT POLICIES IN ENPOR - ESTONIA

National reconstruction grant (grant for renovation)

- ❑ The Estonian national retrofitting grant was established in 2010 as a temporary measure for supporting the retrofitting economy and is a good example of a public initiative at the EU level. At the same time, this grant has important shortcomings that should (and partially have been) addressed.
- ❑ Redesigning the retrofitting policy to better mitigate the risks of energy poverty will hopefully help to avoid or reduce these shortcomings in the future: financial shortcoming, administrative shortcoming and technical shortcomings



First set of proposals through ENPOR REACT Groups

Within the first 10 years of its operation, **the grant helped to renovate 1,114 buildings** that will reduce the emissions by 140,000 tons of CO₂

Improve **regulation**: focus on full renovations

Improve **capacity**: include tenants into the decision-making process together with the owner of the rental object

Improve **stability**: long-term financing

Improve **conditions**: enlarge target groups with energy-poor households

Improve **scope**: support cluster and district-wide multi-building renovations

Improve **administration and communications**: one-stop-shops and community agreements, digitalization

PILOT POLICIES IN ENPOR - GREECE

Energy upgrade of buildings (grant for renovation)

- ❑ Provides financial assistance to energy poor households to improve their household EE by replacing window frames, installing shading systems, for thermal insulation and by upgrading heating and hot water systems.
- ❑ The aid consists of subsidies, low-interest loans and coverage of any energy inspection cost.
- ❑ ENPOR foresees the inclusion of tenants as a distinct social criterion with a dedicated portion of the public budget to be allocated to energy poor.



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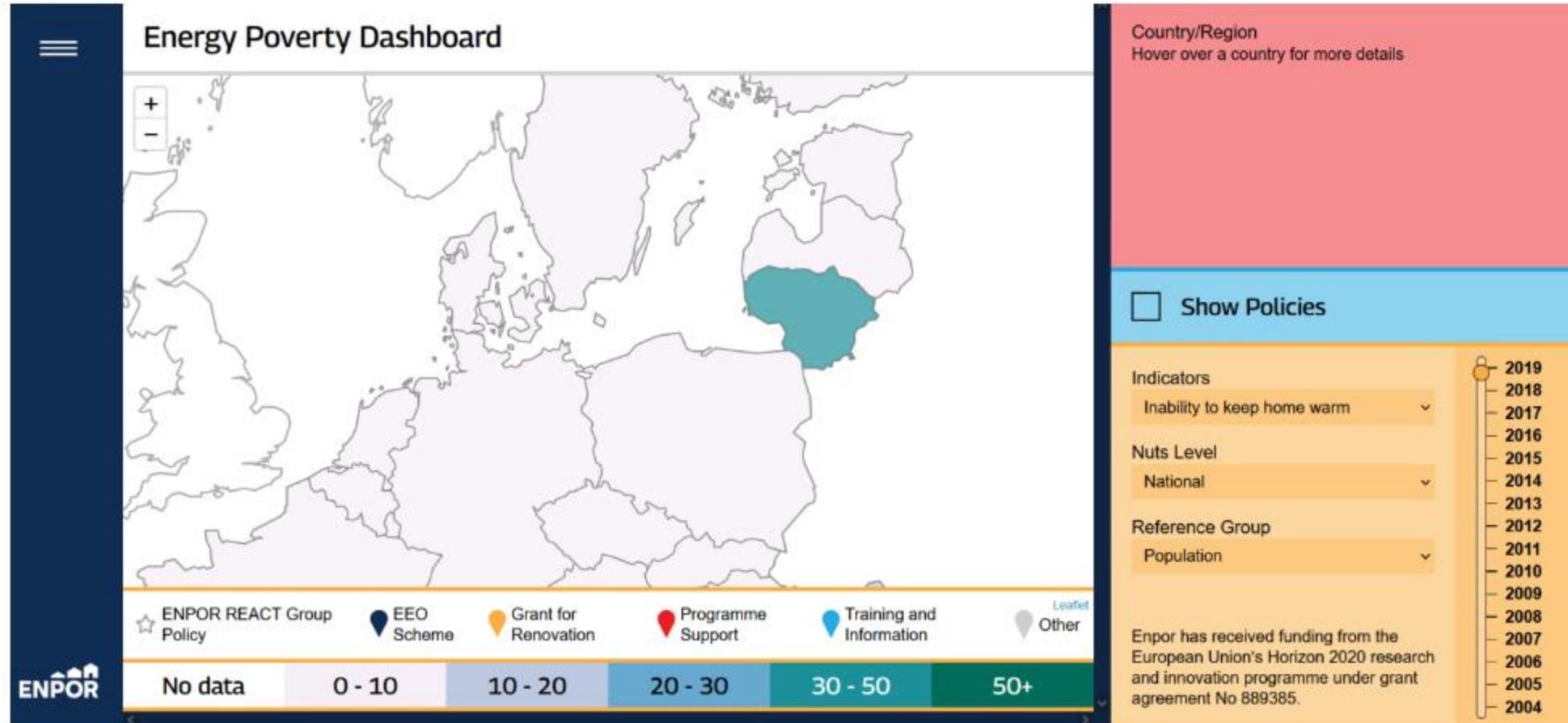
Exoikonomo-Autonomo: Capital subsidy and low interest loans given for the most cost-effective interventions to improve the energy efficiency of the residential buildings

Improve **criteria:** the inclusion of the **tenants** as a distinct social criterion, public aid must be calculated taking into account the **shared benefits** among landlords and tenants. Energy criteria for energy upgrades.

Improve **conditions:** enlarge target groups with energy-poor households: a **special provision for the rented buildings** foreseeing the provision of 40 % subsidy to the landlords

Improve **target:** a dedicated portion of the foreseen public budget will be allocated to the energy poor households within the framework of the new programme

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