



ENERGY RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES USE

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Predrag Štromar: Through 5 calls for energy renovation of buildings 172 million euro of grants contracted

Role of the Ministry of Construction and Physical Planning in the system of ESI funds management

The Ministry of Construction and Physical Planning is the **Intermediate Body Level 1** within the system of management and use of European Structural and Investment funds, for Investment Priority 4c under the Operational Programme „Competitiveness and Cohesion“ 2014-2020, supporting energy efficiency, smart energy management and use of renewable energy sources in public infrastructure, including public buildings, and in the housing sector. The target of the priority axis is to contribute to efficient and sustainable energy use and to reducing greenhouse gas emissions. This priority axis directly contributes to achieving the climate change and energy targets contained in the EUROPE 2020 strategy. This priority encompasses public and residential buildings. 311 million euro is available from the European Regional Development Fund by the end of 2020, through Specific objectives 4c1 - Reduction of energy consumption of the public sector buildings, and 4c2 - Reduction of energy consumption of the residential buildings



Ministar Predrag Štromar, head of Intermediate Body Level 1

MCPP launched 5 calls for energy renovation of public and residential buildings through which 172 million euro of grants were contracted. Construction minister Predrag Štromar will tell us more about the current situation and what is planned for the forthcoming period.

What is the latest news in energy renovation of public and multi-apartment buildings?

- Under the new call for energy renovation of public buildings 380 million kuna were provided, however after several weeks we already received applications for more than 800 million kuna of grants and the Call was suspended. Currently we are considering how to provide additional funds to cover all these applications and to enable further applicants to submit their project proposals. For energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings we signed more than 500 agreements and envisage that more of 70% of these agreements will result in completed projects.

Energy renovation of family houses has been announced for some time now – can Call launching be expected and when?

- MCPP plans to launch the Call for energy renovation of family houses upon fulfilment of the essential requirement for Call preparation, and this is connected with amendments to Regulation (EU) No. 1303/2013 of 17 December 2013. This Regulation does not envisage the possibility of natural persons being beneficiaries of funds from the ERDF, from which funds are provided for energy renovation of family houses.



**Public buildings
= 211 mil €**

**Residential buildings
= 100 mil €**

Call 'Energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings'

Under the call 'Energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings' **576 agreements** on the award of grants from the European Regional Development Fund have been signed to date. Under the Ministry's call, which was open in the period from 17 October 2016 to 31 January 2017, 649 applications were received. The amount of total investment into energy renovation will exceed one billion kuna, out of which **560 million kuna** are grants from the European Regional Development Fund.

Energy renovation of multi-apartment building Sjenjak 101 in Osijek



Multi-apartment building Sjenjak 101, Osijek

The multi-apartment building Sjenjak 101 in Osijek was the first building to start energy renovation co-financed with 3.398.223,96 kuna of grant from the European Regional Development Fund, and constitutes the best example of good practice under the Call „Energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings“. It is the biggest and highest building with most residents in the respective settlement, meaning that data on the realisation of this energy renovation project is impressive as well, with the residents' initial investments to be paid out soon through savings.

ENERGY RENOVATION OF MULTI-APARTMENT BUILDING SJENJAK 101, OSIJEK			
No. of housing units:	133	Year of construction:	1979
Co-financing rate:	60 %	Designed saving:	68 %
Measures:	Reconstruction of roof over heated space, insulation of buried envelope parts, external wall insulation, replacement of external doors and windows		
Energy class:	Transition from D to B		
Co-financing:	European Regional Development Fund		
Applicant:	Co-owners' representative		

The Sjenjak 101 building has also its own Facebook page administered by the co-owners' representative Krešimir Ižaković, on which details related to energy renovation works are published, as well as information regarding building maintenance, this representing a good example of how enthusiasm of individuals can have an impact on the entire micro-community.

Record-breaking number of submitted project proposals - 448 applications registered!



Minister Predrag Štromar with successful applicants from Krapina-Zagorje County, 7 March 2018

Under the Call for energy renovation and use of RES in **public sector buildings**, 448 project proposals were submitted through the eFondovi (eFunds) system, applying for a total of 813,5 million kuna of grants – exceeding by more than 200% the total amount available for the Call, which is 380 million kuna. To date about 50 Decisions on financing were passed, whereas several dozen are under preparation by the end of April. The total value of projects for which decisions were passed amounts to almost 200 million kuna, out of which more than 75 million kuna are grants, with energy savings to be realised by these projects as compared to the annual energy consumption for heating/cooling prior to project implementation amounting to an average of 65,5%. We remind that the Call was launched by MCPP on 16 November 2017, and submission of applications was possible from 15 January 2018 until 5 February 2018, when the Call, due to the high interest of potential applicants, was suspended for a limited period, that is, until May 2018.

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