

## ENERGY RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES USE

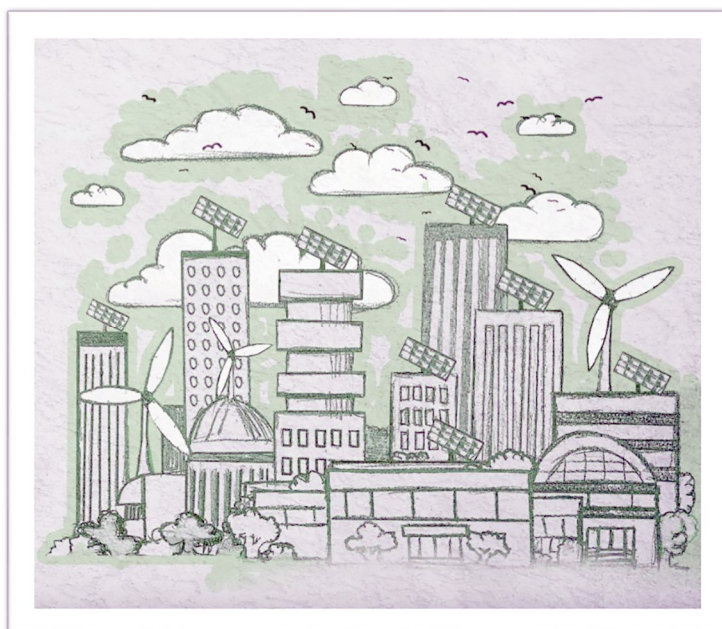
## NEWSLETTER

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### PUBLIC SECTOR BUILDINGS:

**More than HRK 1.56 billion of grants applied for; 311 projects submitted in 2 days**



In early September, the Call „Energy renovation and RES use in public sector buildings“ was opened. The total available grant amount to be awarded under this Call has been increased from the initial HRK 380 million to HRK one billion and 110 million.

Applicants awaited the reopening of the Call more than well-prepared; in fact, within two days as many as 311 projects of energy renovation of buildings were submitted, and grants amounting to more than HRK 749 million were applied for. By the applications in January and September 2018, the total secured allocation of HRK one billion and 110 million was exceeded. On 5 September 2018, the Call has been suspended for predetermined time, until 5 February 2019.

„I congratulate all those who have successfully submitted their projects on the good organisation and preparation. By savings on energy products, electricity and gas, for heating and cooling of public buildings, it will be possible to invest funds in other development projects, e.g. in the health care system and education, while life and sojourn in public buildings will be more comfortable“, emphasises minister of construction and physical planning Predrag Štromar.

We would like to remind that by this Call the implementation of measures of energy renovation and use of renewable energy sources in public sector buildings is supported, in which state authorities and state administration bodies, local or regional self-government units, public institutions, institutions, religious communities and associations perform social activities. By energy renovation projects, through an integrated approach, energy savings are envisaged of a minimum 50% as compared to the annual energy consumption for heating/cooling prior to project implementation.

### DUBROVNIK: Agreements signed on the award of grants for energy renovation of the nursery schools „Ciciban“ and „Izviđač“

During their stay in Dubrovnik, the minister of MCPP Predrag Štromar, EPEEF director Dubravko Ponoš and mayor of Dubrovnik Mato Franković signed in early September the Agreements on the award of grants for energy renovation of the nursery schools „Ciciban“ and „Izviđač“, for a total value of HRK 1.567.835,34. In addition, minister Štromar also handed over to mayor Franković the Financing decisions on co-financing of energy renovation of two primary schools, OŠ Ivana Gundulića and OŠ Marina Držića.

„Under the Call, the city of Dubrovnik applied projects for two nursery schools and two schools. We signed agreements on the energy renovation of nursery schools, for a total value of about HRK 4 million. The Ministry has secured from the EFRR an additional amount of HRK one million and a half, and co-financing of the difference shall be secured by the City of Dubrovnik from other sources“, pointed out minister Predrag Štromar. „For the energy renovation of two schools, Ivan Gundulić and Marin Držić, almost HRK 8.7 million have been secured, out of which HRK 3 million are EU funds. All investments will repay very quickly, first through savings which amount to more than 50 percent“, Štromar added.

„The funds under this Call are three times higher than the originally planned funds, that is, they exceed HRK one billion, since the allocation has been increased by Decision of the minister of MCPP. Within the framework of this Call, the Fund had a dual role—an advisory one during project preparation, and as level 2 implementation body. With the provision of professional and technical assistance, the eligibility of projects has increased from 20 to 95 percent“ said EPEEF director Dubravko Ponoš.



Minister Predrag Štromar, Head of IB 1, hands over Contracts on the award of grants

## SINGLED OUT: Renovation of multi-apartment building in Zagreb resulted in energy savings of 71%

Under the Call „Energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings“, to date 582 Agreements on the award of grants from the European Fund for Regional Development have been signed.

The total value of the projects exceeds HRK one billion, whereas grants from the European Fund for Regional Development exceed HRK 550 million.

The multi-apartment building at the address Ulica Vincenta iz Kastva 4 is an example of good practice under this Call. The total value of this project amounts to HRK 4,000,377.03, the co-financing rate for eligible costs is 60%, and grants in the amount of HRK 2,257,044.54 have been secured from the EFRR.

Through the implementation of this project annual energy savings of 71% have been achieved, and the residential building has shifted from energy class E to B. Owing to energy renovation, all households in the multi-apartment building have obtained an improved energy classification, along with reduced primary energy consumption, and an increased living quality for the building's occupants, since after energy renovation the dwelling in the renovated building will be more comfortable.

Other data on the project is indicated in the table.

ENERGY RENOVATION OF MULTI-APARTMENT BUILDING - Ulica Vincenta iz Kastva 4, Zagreb			
No. of housing units:	53	Year of construction	1960
Co-financing rate:	60%	Designed savings:	71%
Measures:	Improvement of the thermal protective envelope, replacement of external doors and windows, thermal insulation of external walls and the floor against the soil or unheated space, reconstruction of the roof above the heated space		
Energy class	Shift from energy class E to B		
Co-financed by:	European Fund for Regional Development		
Applicant, building manager:	FUGGER d.o.o.		

In the City of Zagreb, a total of 78 multi-apartment buildings will be renovated, for which the total amount of energy renovation investment exceeds HRK 194 million, out of which grants from the the European Fund for Regional Development exceed HRK 107 million.



Multi-apartment building before energy renovation



Multi-apartment building after energy renovation

## Signing of Agreements and adoption of Financing decisions to be continued

By 5 September 2018, under the Call for energy renovation and use of RES in public sector buildings, 759 project proposals were submitted through the eFunds system, applying for a total grant amount of HRK 1.562 billion, exceeding the allocation by more than 120% percent of the total available amount of HRK 1.110 billion from the EFRR.

Submission of project proposals Call for ER and use of RES in public sector buildings	Number of project proposals	Eligible project expenditures	Grants
Submitted project proposals	759	2.868.466.526,67 kn	1.562.643.213,74 kn

Dana until middle of September 2018.	Number of Financing decisions	Total agreed value of projects	Allocated Grants
Financing decisions	276	1.055.073.779,59 kn	532.437.263,20 kn

Dana until middle of September 2018.	Number of Agreements	Total agreed value of projects	Allocated Grants
Signed Agreement	116	522.729.129,86 kn	260.202.691,22 kn

Situation on September 17, 2018.

## We educate potential applicants and beneficiaries of EU grants

From the beginning of this year, the MCPP has been holding informational and implementation workshops for potential applicants of project proposals under the Call 'Energy renovation and RES use in public sector buildings', or for beneficiaries of grants from ESI funds for which Financing decisions have been adopted or Agreements on the award of grants signed.

The MCPP, in cooperation with EPEEF and HBOR, presents to the beneficiaries the implementation of agreements on co-financing by EU grants, with an emphasis on procurement plans and procurement verification, as well as on the management principles for EU co-financed projects. The goal of the workshops is to make beneficiaries aware of potential irregularities that can result in financial corrections.

By 20 September 2018, 12 informational and 6 implementation workshops were held. In view of the fact that the Call was re-opened and there is still persisting interest by beneficiaries for such workshops, they continue to be organised, about which more information are available on the website [www.mgipu.hr](http://www.mgipu.hr).



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