

# E-Fix Horizon2020 Energy Financing Mix

Innovative Financing Opportunities for Energy Efficiency

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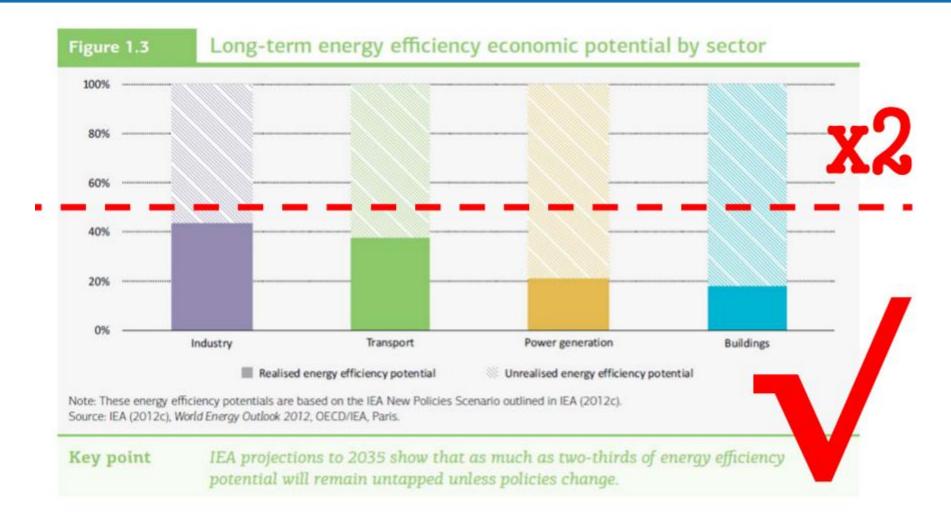


- Lack of (private) investments in EE improvements
- Still challenges ahead to improve EE above minimal legal requirements
- Delay in implementation of EE investments, especially in private sector because of
  - long payback times
  - lack of financing means
- Lack of knowledge/experience using innovative financing mechanisms



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## **EFIX**How much is the potential for energy efficiency?





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#### Global Annual Investment Need (2014-2035, IEA)

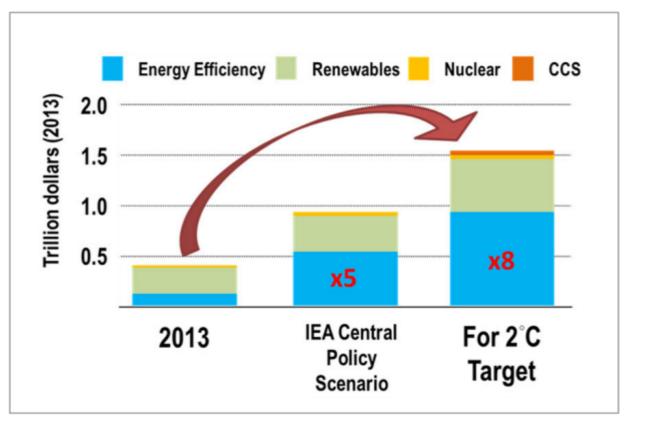
#### 2014 Ceres Global:

Projects global annual investment need (2010-2020) to limit global temperature rises to a 2<sup>o</sup>C scenario:

- \$300 billion in buildings' energy systems
- \$30 billion in industry

#### EU needs to invest: (for 2°C scenario, IEA)

- \$1.3 trillion in energy efficiency in buildings from 2014-2035
- \$154 billion in energy efficiency in industry





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### Aim of E-FIX HORIZON2020 project

X To increase the use of innovative financing mechanisms in energy sector so that investments in energy projects and services raise in the long-term

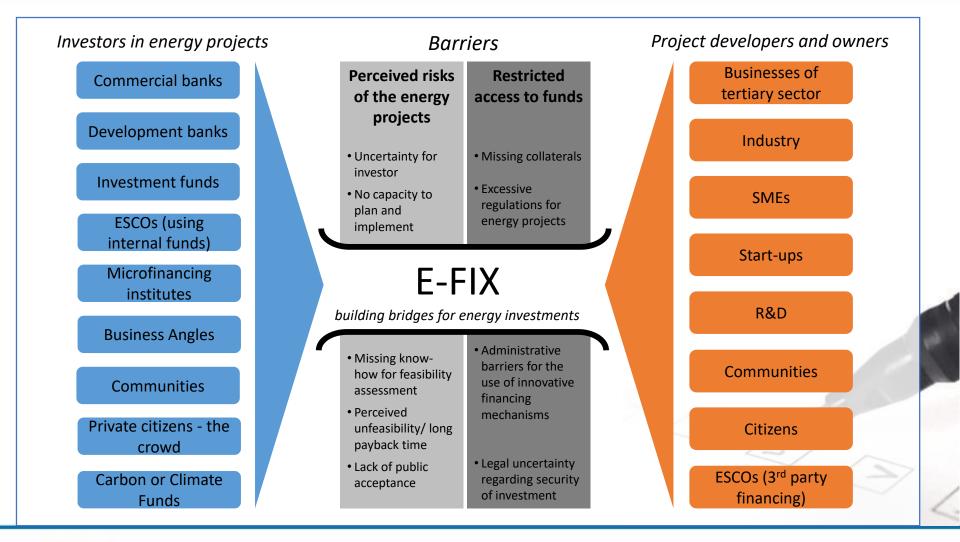




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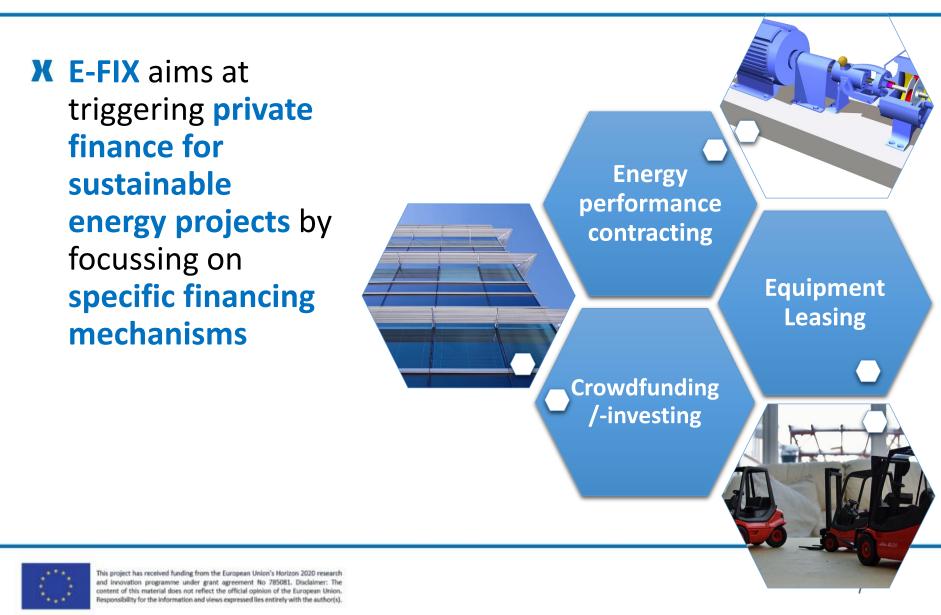
# E-FIX wants to remove barriers between investors and project developers





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## **E-FIX is moving along 3 directions**

#### **1 TRANSFER KNOWLEDGE**

• Within the Project Partnership: AT, CZ, HR, PL, GE, AM

#### **BUILD CAPACITIES**

- Increasing the competencies of market actors, in regard to energy and financing requirements
  - Training of "Ambassadors" for innovative financing of energy projects

#### **ROLL OUT**

- Strengthening national/regional structures for the innovative financing of energy projects in the partner countries
- Test and disseminate tailored innovative energy financing mechanisms
  - Thereby increasing the investments in the energy sector



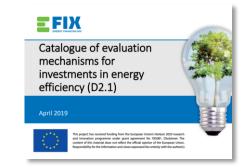
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- Financing & Energy Policy Baseline for each partner country
- X Case study analysis of alternative financing of energy projects in each partner country
- Individual gap analyses for validating the preselection of the innovative financing mechanism
- Catalogue of evaluation methods for the systematic assessment of sustainable energy projects

All reports available on the E-FIX webpage: <u>www.energyfinancing.eu</u>







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#### **Training curriculum**

- X Didactics and engaging the audience
- X Catalogue of evaluation methods for the systematic assessment of sustainable energy projects
- X General modules addressing each financing mechanism
  - X Leasing
  - X Crowdfunding
  - X EPC
- X Specialist finance following case-based teaching methods

### Toolbox

**X** preparation of projects; matching of adequate financing methods & partners





#### Definition

- X Stakeholders with broad professional background , e.g. public officers, energy service providers and ESCOs, financial officers from industry, business sector and project developers
- X Aim: to become multipliers for the E-FIX approach by using project outputs and by working towards eliminating financing barriers and building bridges between potential energy investors and project initiators

#### Benefits

- X Participation at two high-quality trainings
- X Involvement in Strategy and Toolbox development by providing inputs
- X Possible involvement at the Competence centers
- X International networking opportunities via the Ambassador platform



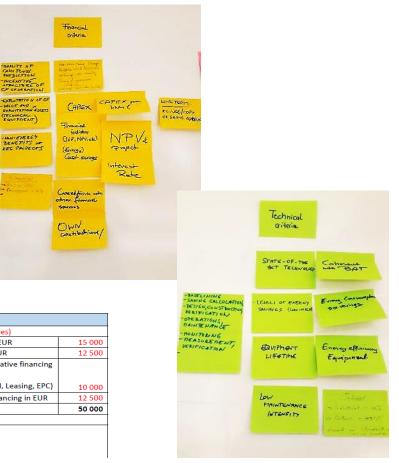


## **Focus: Quality Criteria**

### **Common standards for financing of energy projects**

- X technical, financial, environmental & other relevant criteria
- X compulsory & optional criteria
- Minimum of common criteria across all three financing mechanisms & specific criteria for each of them

7	Capital expenditure (EUR)	Investment in EUR	50 000	(example figures)	
		own funds in %	30%	own funds in EUR	15 000
		subsidies in %	25%	subsidies in EUR	12 500
		share of innovative financing		share of innovative financing	
7.1	Financing plan	in %		in EUR	
		(share of CF/CI, Leasing, EPC)	20%	(share of CF/CI, Leasing, EPC)	10 000
		other debt financing in %	25%	other debt financing in EUR	12 500
		Total (100%)	100%	Total in EUR	50 000
7.2	Debt/equity coverage ratio				
	Possible financial incentives				
	[description of availability of state subsidies, soft loans or other				
7.3	financial support instruments				







#### **Pilot campaigns**

- X start in autumn 2019
- involvement of relevant stakeholders (project owners, energy providers, finance institutes, ESCOs, community and interest groups...)
- X test and implementation of the E-FIX methodology in real-life environments, in each of the six partner countries







#### What E-FIX aims for

X European-scale VISION – Definition of long-term and transnational goals for successful and accelerated financing of energy project until 2030

#### **X** Integrate stakeholder opinions and objectives

- X transnational and country-specific issues for promoting innovative financing
- X political, legal/regulatory implications
- **X Develop one Roadmap** considering the EU 2030 climate and energy framework targets
- **X** Describe specific actions --> connect with local **E-FIX Action Plans**

# **Objective:** *Illustrate EU-wide development of energy financing environment and implementation.*





## **THANK YOU!**

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