Stakeholder Forum – part 4

Heat pumps – action plan to accelerate roll-out across the European Union

9 OCTOBER 2023 FROM 09:45 TO 13:00 BRUSSELS TIME (CCAB, ROOM 1.C)

CENTRE A. BORSCHETTE (CCAB), RUE FROISSART 36, 1040 BRUSSELS & VIRTUAL WEBEX MEETING

Rolling out heat pumps is central to the clean-energy transition and to achieving carbon neutrality in line with the goals set in the <u>European Green Deal</u>. All policy scenarios underpinning the 'Fit for 55' legislative proposals show a significant uptake of heat pumps in all sectors, and notably in buildings. To meet the 2030 targets and deliver the needed fast decarbonisation of heat, installing boilers in new buildings and replacing fossil-fuel boilers by newer ones should be discontinued as soon as possible¹.

In view of speeding up energy system decarbonisation and advancing the shift to renewable and efficient heating and cooling in buildings, industry and networks, the European Commission is preparing an action plan to accelerate the roll-out of heat pumps. It will take the form of a strategic communication and include an action plan with specific measures to address the main barriers and strengthen the pull factors for a faster roll-out of heat pumps.

As part of its stakeholder consultation strategy, the European Commission launched a Call for Evidence (all contributions received can be seen here), followed by an open public consultation between on the Have your say portal. In parallel, the European Commission launched a series of four stakeholder events to provide a focussed exchange and discussion on the envisaged building blocks of the communication. This is the last of the series.

- (1) Skills and communication (25 May 2023),
- (2) Research, innovation and market development (16 June 2023),
- (3) Financing the roll-out of heat pumps (5 July 2023),
- (4) Supportive framework, governance and monitoring 9 October 2023.

¹ EU challenges of reducing fossil fuel use in buildings, JRC Report 127122, December 2021.

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The event will offer an overview of the preliminary findings from the public consultation and launch a discussion on monitoring needs and possibilities and the governance of a Heat Pump accelerator. The analysis of the results is still ongoing,

9:45	Welcome and introduction by the Chair
	Paula Rey Garcia, DG Energy
10:00 – 10:45	Key take-aways from the stakeholder consultation activities
	Silvia Rezessy, Marc Mattis, DG Energy
10:45-11:30	Monitoring system for the Heat Pump Action Plan: possible way
	ahead
	Lorcan Lyons and Johan Carlsson, Joint Research Centre
11:30 – 11:45	Governance structure for the Heat Pump Action Plan: possible way ahead
	Silvia Rezessy, DG Energy
11:45 – 12:45	Discussion
12:45 – 13:00	Wrap-up on main areas