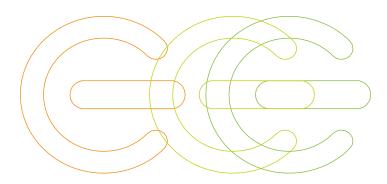


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Energy Efficiency drive for SMEs





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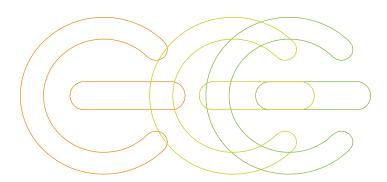
The Action

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- 1 March 2014 28 February 2017 14 partners from 11 EU countries Involvement of 36 regional and local Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CCIs)
- EUROCHAMBRES

 STEEP project aimed at providing cross-sector SMEs with tailored training and guidance on effective energy management tools and practices targeted towards specific national or regional needs to reduce their energy consumption (10/15%)







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SMEs' Energy Efficiency (EE) potential is still under-developed (10-20%)

- Previous successful project
- 75% of CCIs provide energy efficiency services
- Chambers experienced an increase in the demand for energy efficiency services

Main **barriers** restricting SMEs' investments in Energy Efficiency:

- Lack of financial resources
- Lack of information
- Lack of time
- Limited technical knowledge
- Difficulties to access existing financing mechanisms





Activities

- Capacity Building for Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCIs)
 - A transnational network of 48 regional and local energy advisors
- Support for 600 SMEs
 - Individual coaching: energy site visits & helpdesk support
 - A self-monitoring tool implemented: Eval'STEEEP
 - Multilateral coaching: 274 workshops in 10 countries
- Establish Local Energy Communities
- SMEs energy use analysis









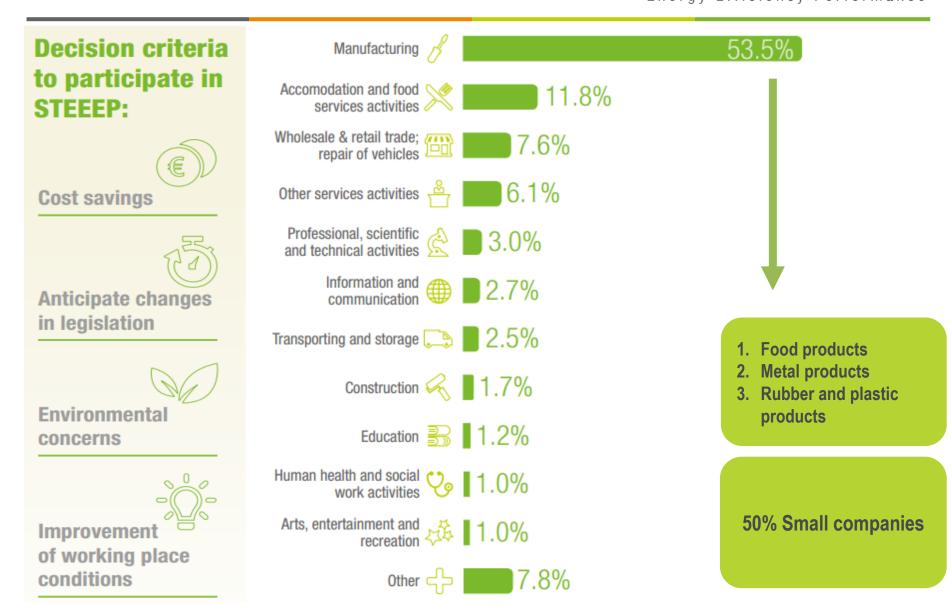
SMEs' outreach

- Channels used:
 - Direct contact CCIs acts as trusted intermediaries
 - Calls for interest
 - Open events on energy efficiency
- SMEs signed a formal commitment
- Each CCI followed and supported a pool of companies





SMEs' profile



Results

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- 91% of SMEs have an Energy Management Plan in place
- Average energy use reduction by 10% in participating SMEs

Top field of implementation:

- Energy Management
- Lighting
- HVAC
- Cumulative investment triggered by the project € 5.000.000*
- 19% of implemented recommendations required investments
 - 1. Own resources

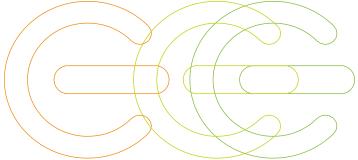
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2. National / regional grants subsidies

**data from 6 countries



- Development of a strong awareness of energy and sustainability issues across the company
- SME recognition of the importance of energy management as a tool for improving business competitiveness,
- SME's willingness to expand its activities, as well as to attract a specific market segment/ type of costumers.



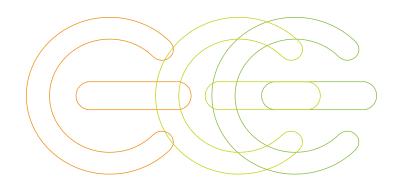






Best practices & success factors (II)^{Support & Training for an Excellent} Energy Efficiency Performance

- Direct involvement of all staff both managerial and operational in the development and deployment of the company energy efficiency policy.
- Lower payback period < 2 years



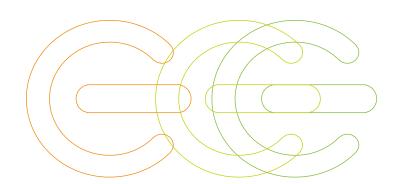




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How to get SMEs investment ready:

- Coaching and seminars
- Guidance: assisting in identifying the right source of funding
- Matchmaking







Partners & Contact

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