

Questions

1. Are you aware of financial tools existing at EU-level to improve the energy efficiency of buildings? **Yes**
2. How could the uptake of EU-level funding for energy efficiency be improved? **Roadshows.**
3. Could centrally-managed financial instruments at EU level play a role in supporting measures to improve the energy efficiency of buildings? **Yes.**
4. How could more private financing for energy efficiency projects be improved? **I'm not sure what current private funding is available.**
5. How could public funding be used to mobilise more energy efficiency projects? **Rather than just grants could a company be set up to evaluate a Trust's opportunities to reduce CO₂ and energy then implement and manage the installation of any energy efficient plant/equipment including managing the financing?**
6. How could both national and EU financing schemes be improved to best cover all segments of the market (public buildings, residential, commercial)? **As per no5.**
7. What support could be offered at local, regional and national level to offer technical assistance during project development? **As per no5. Also, utility suppliers funded to install smart meters free to end users.**
8. Is there a need for enabling mechanisms such as risk-sharing and investment vehicles, to encourage building efficiency investments? **Yes.**
9. What could be done to improve capacity, knowledge and risk perception with regards energy efficiency investments, particularly by local, regional and national administrations, private investors and financial institutions? **Similar to no5 but flexed to bring all schemes together.**
10. Do you have examples of good practice at local, regional or national level (with data on cost and benefits) that could be applied more widely? **Through the South Coast SHA there is a Regional Enablement Group (REG) that has funded a company to survey Trusts to ascertain what assistance is needed.**

The EU consultation in full can be found here:

http://ec.europa.eu/energy/efficiency/consultations/20120518_eeb_financial_support_en.htm

¹ "the need to increase energy efficiency in the EU so as to achieve the objective of saving 20% of the EU's

energy consumption compared to projections for 2020". 7224/1/07/ REV 1