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PadovaFIT!

A Financing Investment Tool for the retrofitting of housing and service facility buildings in the PADOVA area

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INITIAL FACTS

- Launch investments in the private housing building sector
 - Ca. 16 mil€ / 150 buildings foreseen
- Bundling of small & differentiated measures to make them bankable
- City Council to act as a facilitator and institutional guarantor
- A **Delivery Partner** (Energy Service Company) to do the job
- Repayment model based mostly on Energy Performance Contracting



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INITIAL FACTS

- WHEN? June 2013 onwards
- WHERE? City of Padova (North-Eastern Italy ca. 30 km from Venice)
 - 220.000 in. (ca. 400.000 within its metropolitan area)



University founded in 1222 Renaissance city walls

•WHO? Local Government, Bank, ESCO, Energy Expert, Training Foundation

• FOR WHOM? private, residential condominiums





INITIAL FACTS



- Energy poverty
- Ageing population
- Lack of competencies in energy and Energy Performance Contracts
- General hostility to debts

- Lots of Class G condominiums
- Average 180 kWh/m2/year
- Housing needs during economic boom of 1960s-1970s



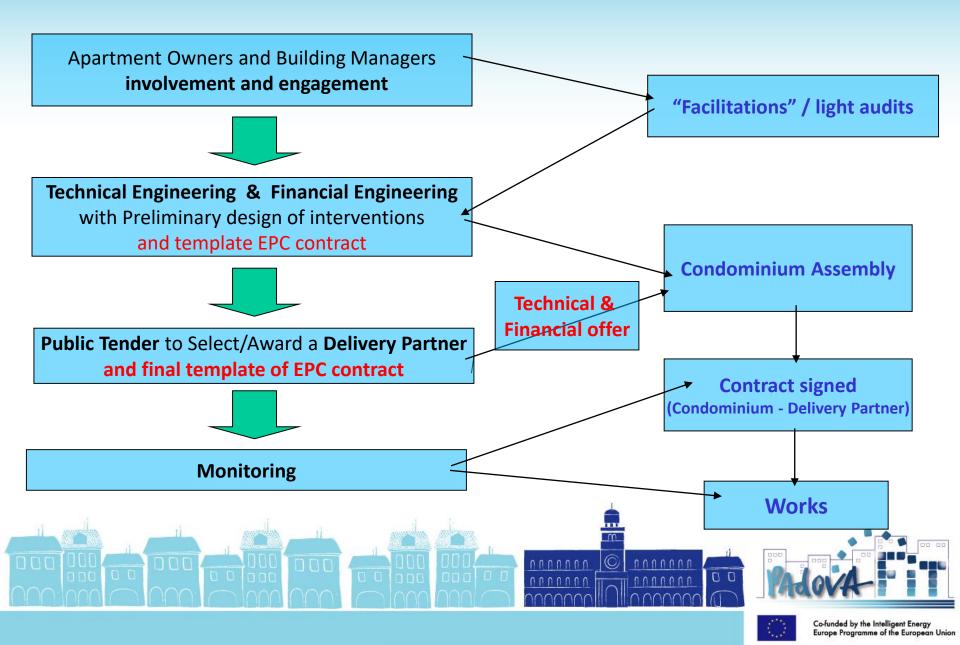




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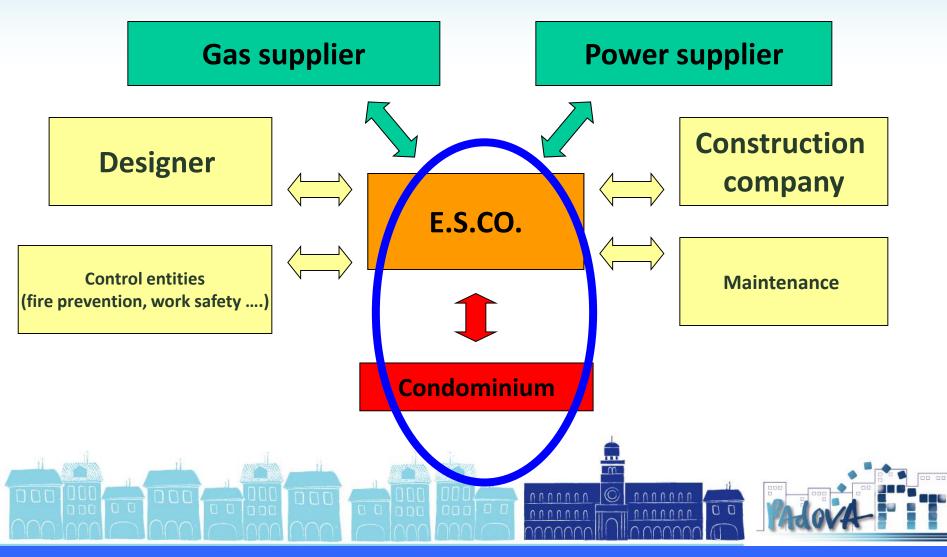
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PROJECT STRUCTURE



THE DELIVERY PARTNER

Energy Service Company + Engineering Company



Stakeholders Involvement & Engagement

- Different target groups to address:
 - Single Building Managers and citizens
 - Building managers associations
 - Small owners associations
 - House Owners/Tenants Unions
 - Builders associations



- •Target groups potential resistance (change in status quo, lack of knowledge, ...)
- Training of Facilitators: a TECHNICAL and PSYCHOLOGICAL work
- Light energy Audits and Condominium Assemblies





Stakeholders Involvement & Engagement - the "Facilitators"

- 24 facilitators trained public call for participation (19 "passed")
- **80 hours** training curriculum (created jointly with building managers)
- Topics: Legislation, Technical issues, Financial issues, Energy Audit, Facilitation methods and conflicts mediation, Practical simulation, Final test + interview
- Contact **building managers** to:
 - **Explain** the project and technicalities
 - Lead a light energy **AUDIT**
 - Set condominium assembly



- Attend the assembly to detail the project and technicalities, potential measures and collect expressions of interest and non-binding subscriptions
- Usually **backed up** by an Municipal Officer

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Stakeholders Involvement & Engagement - the Activities



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Stakeholders Involvement & Engagement - Communication



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Stakeholders Involvement & Engagement - State of Play

•FORMAL SUBSCRIPTIONS:

- subscriptions formalised \rightarrow 356 dwellings
- ca. 2,5 mil € of potential investments;

• POTENTIAL FOR FUTHER SUBSCRIPTIONS:

- Engagment of ca. 1.200 dwellings
- 19 Mil€ of potential measures



- Delivery Partner: condominiums for a potential 4mil€
- SPEEDING UP AFTER selection of DELIVERY PARTNER







Consumption

Electricity

Gas

Technical Engineering – Light Energy Audit CONDOMINIUM n.1 - STARTING POINT

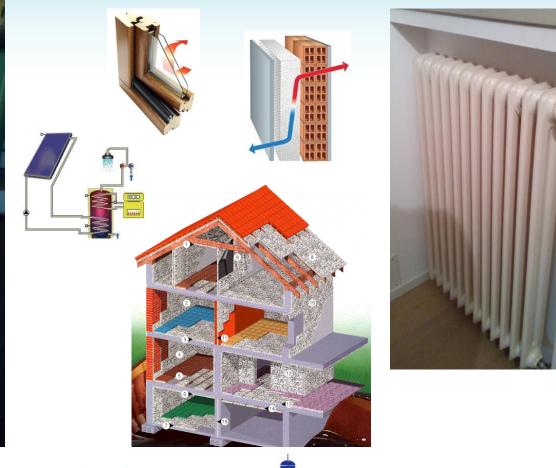


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	Built in			1966				
	Dwellings			10				
	Floor	s heated		3				
	Squar	e Meters he	eated	1.750 mq				
	Wind	ow frames		Wood, single glazed				
	Heating system			 type: centralised Installed: 1994 				
Average cor	nc	Aver	age cost	 fuel: gas Plant Power: 165 kW 				
[kWh, sm		[€/year]						
6.000 kWh		€	2.000					
22.600	smc	€	22.000					

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Potential measures







Technical Engineering – Light Energy Audit



EXAMPLE OF IMPROVEMENT MEASURES

Description		Cost [€]	Energy saving [%]	s Money savings [€]	Pay Back <u>(without tax</u> <u>incentives)</u> [vears]
Heating system refurbishment: - central heating boiler - individual heat counters	€	50.000	23%	€ 5.060	9,88
External Thermal Insulation	€	58.000	20%	€ 4.400	13,18
Attic insulation	€	9.000	14%	€ 3.080	2,92
Double glazed windows	€	47.000	18%	€ 3.960	11,87
Solar thermal plant+ Heat cost allocators (50% need coverage)	€	18.000	50%	€ 2.750	6,55
Photovoltaic plant (5 kW)	€	12.000	80%	€ 1.600	7,50
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Technical Engineering – What type of contract?

CONDOMINIUM VS ESCo

- EPC (Energy Performance Contracting) based on certified performance:
- ESCo (Energy Service Company) investment paid back according to energy savings achieved
- EPC contract highlights:
 - Energy Audit and project design of works
 - Works planning and timing
 - ESCo Investment
 - Condomium-Esco Contract Template validated by Municipality
 - Duration of the contract
 - Energy saving % (guaranteed) to be achieved
 - Definition of baseline of energy consuption
 - Quality assurance and performance monitoring methodology
 - Management and maintanance of system(s) installed
 - Energy service provider (heating, cooling, lighting)





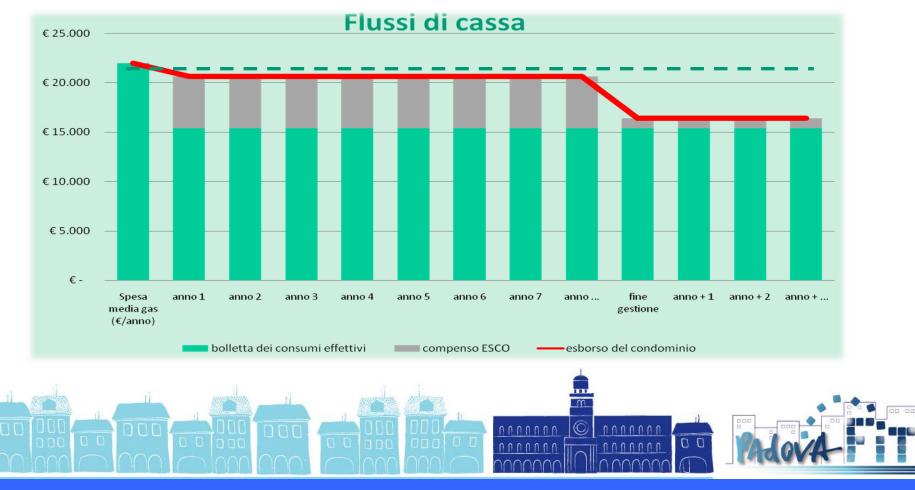
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Technical Engineering–Why EPC contracts are convenient

- ESCo entirely funds and implement the works + manages all systems installed
- Condominiums start saving a little bit on energy bill right after works end
- When contracts end (normally 9 years) full savings % guaranteed



Financial Engineering

Studied the financial engineering for the bankability of the measuers with structured and/or usual tools - Engaged qualified operators

Initial discussion with **EEEF** – European Energy Efficiency Fund (**measures of public interest** - even though a private ESCo is the actual beneficiary)

- **SCALE**: PadovaFIT alone does not justify the creation of a specific fund
- MARKET READINESS: Italian market of existing investment funds on energy not used to bundling of very small measures (only large RES plants)
- **TIMING** and **COSTS**: starting point created for follow up....
- Probably, this action needs a **MIX of tools** (fund for ESCO, regular credit for citizens, insurance scheme to cover risks from insolvency)



Procurement and Works

- Writing and issuing such a Tender no previous experience in ITALY
- Designing **2 different contracts**:
 - Municipality of Padova Delivery Partner
 - Delivery Partner Condominium (template)



- Monitoring actions towards the Delivery Partner offers
- Councelling activities towards owners and building managers



Procurement and Works – Contracts activated

• Delivery Partner selection call (Public Tender)

- Tender framework
- Technical criteria

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• Municipality - Delivery Partner



• Contract between Padova Municipality and ESCO/Construction Partner



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Procurement and Works

Documents to be annexed to the Tender

- Required Refurbishment Plans for **three differentiated standard buildings** (for assessment)
- Technical and financial qualification, 3 years of experience in the field
- 2 years of balance sheet

Rewarding Elements (among other)

- Guaranteed efficiency > 15% (delivery partner offered 30%)
- % of savings for the client > 5% (delivery partner offered 6%)
- Involvement of local workers/firms
- Bringing "own" condominiums (delivery partner offered 20 buildings)
- Contract duration max 10 years (delivery partner offered 9 years)



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THE DELIVERY PARTNER

CADRAN

- Public Tender: October 2015 March 2016
- Delivery Partner operations started June 2016
- CRISTOFORETTI: among major Italian certified ESCos 100+ employees
- 1.000+ customers: Public Administrations, Private Buildings, Enterprises
- Yearly turnover of 40+ mil €
- Yearly investments on energy efficiency: 4+ mil €





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Added value for citizens

- Free energy audit lead by energy experts
- Increased knowledge on Energy issues and Energy Performance Contracting
- Delivery Partner takes care of all organisational, technical and financial aspects
 plus management and maintenance of the new plants
- Heating costs are blocked/reduced against future increase in fuel costs
- Reduced use of fossil fuels at local level: **reduced CO₂ emissions**
- Improved comfort
- Increased value of property



Added Value for Condominiums

BARRIERS:

- lack of knowledge on energy efficiency
- innovative contract solutions face opposition by less informed people
- lack of medium-term planning: priority given to maintenance and urgent interventions
- delayed/missing payments limit willingness to invest

SOLUTIONS:

- take time to inform, inform, inform
- make technical/financial offers very clear and transparent
- give «official» support to the Delivery Partner
- sign «easy» contracts as soon as possible





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Added Value for Building Managers

BARRIERS:

- not always have the technical and legal knowledge
- management of innovative procurement can be complicated and **time consuming**
- innovative investment actions need extra effort at the beginning and in the monitoring phase – yet no extra remuneration

SOLUTIONS:

Provide transparent and indipendent info on:

- Turn-key costs of the works
- Performances expected based on real data and conditions
- Life cycle costs and life expectancy
- Quality of the service guaranteed by the Delivery Partner



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Padova FIT! – Lessons learnt

Which buildings are the most interesting?

- Built in the **20. century** with no recent energy investments
- At least **6 dwellings** (or heated surface > 500 m²)
- **Centralised** heating plant (10+ years old)
- **Delayed/missing payments** on utilities/condominium bills < 10%.
- Individual heaters: no EPC but regular contract + dedicated credit line



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Padova FIT! – Lessons learnt

POLITICAL STABILITY HELPS....!

•Willingness to change/invest is influenced by the political framework

•Incentive schemes and Tax deductions influence the business plans

In 4 years of project implementation, since 2013:

4 different Prime Ministers and Governments4 different Mayors

Expecting the **new Mayor** in June, 2017!

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Padova FIT! – Feedback from the Delivery Partner

- Public Tender and EPC contract template:
 - Need for consistency between Technical Regualtions and Civil Code to avoid misunderstandings and the need for amendments
 - In this view, during the development phase of the tender, it would be useful to **involve** ESCos/Stakeholder associations/Building managers
- **Too much time** between first contacts with condominiums by PadovaFIT! and the awarding of the Delivery partner:
 - some condominiums selected **other contractors**
- Cooperating with a **Public Authority** makes it easier to approach the condominiums and take part in condominium assemblies



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Padova FIT! – Feedback from the Delivery Partner

- Trained people to communicate with potential beneficiaries and stakeholders is essential
- **EPC contract template** (as per Tender) should be **flexible** enough:
 - <u>Example</u>: if the condominium has already undergone refurbishment but some works are still missing – delivery partner should be able to target less than 30% of enegy reduction
- Close attention should be paid to National Policies (incentives) and their constant evolution:
 - <u>Example</u>: (Italy) EPCs have been less attractive because tax deductions (applicable to individuals) could not be applied when ESCo was making the investments. Not all countries have a Green Deal like in the UK!





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Padova FIT! ... If we could start over.....

- Tender documents and contract templates to be developed ASAP
- Select Delivery Partner very soon sign "easy" contracts early
- Geographical scale should be large enough to guarantee demand
- Building Managers engaged as facilitators
- Training of **Facilitators** just in time (facilitation actions not too early)
- Financial institutions to be engaged from the very beginning
- Engagement of **potential Delivery Partners** in the preparation phase





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