



Newsletter - June 2018

## **CALL FOR PROPOSAL**

**€4 Million to improve the energy efficiency of  
23 public residential buildings**

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## SOCIAL HOUSING: A € 4 MILLION CALL FOR PROPOSALS TO IMPROVE THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY

The deadline for participation in the new call for tenders for the Energy Performance Contract of the EnerSHIFT project will expire on 20 July 2018. The call for proposals foresees the energy requalification of 23 public residential buildings ...

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## ENERSHIFT RECEIVES THE “SUSTAINABLE PA AWARD: 100 PROJECTS FOR 2030 AGENDA”

On May 23rd, during the national forum of Italian Public Administration, EnerSHIFT received the “Sustainable PA Award”, a national praise reserved to the winners of the national competition: “100 projects to achieve the objectives of the Agenda 2030”.

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## ITALY/ tax deductions for Energy Efficiency interventions

The Italian Budget Law 2018 has officially extended the possibility to obtain a tax reduction for those who invest on energy requalification works: for private houses, it will be in force until 31 December 2018 while for condominiums it will last until 2021.

The “**Ecobonus**” is a specific fiscal measure that allows a **tax deduction** from 50% to 65% of the amount of expenses incurred **for energy efficiency interventions** and, in recent days, the national Revenue Agency issued some



**can revolve it in favour of suppliers, consortia, associations, and Energy Services Companies.** The direct sale to a finance company remains, instead, an opportunity reserved only for the “incapable”.

Another important novelty had been introduced shortly before, concerning the

important clarifications about the possibility to transfer this bonus directly from the customers to the contractors of the works.

Indeed, so far the possibility to perform the bonus transfer was reserved only to the so-called “incapables” (contributors having an annual income under the tax-area level or public entities not subjected to the fiscal system) but with the new law, **all the beneficiaries of the deduction**

deduction percentages related to the economic expenses for the common parts of condominiums **when energy retrofit is implemented together with seismic safety interventions**. In this case, **the bonus is up to 80% - 85%** (according to the seismic zone where the building is placed) and can be benefited through ten annual instalments up to a maximum amount of 136.000€ for each real estate unit.

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## Energy Poverty



On June 8th EnerSHIFT will participate to the European workshop organized in Bruxelles by the European Commission about the theme of ENERGY POVERTY. The meeting is aimed to promote knowledge sharing among the main stakeholders from several Member States, to build networks among European projects with similar objectives and to support them in achieving their goals. Moreover, it will be an occasion to inform about the "[Observatory on energy poverty](#)", a new-born instrument that has

health and well-being of people due to the economic unsustainability of the energy consumptions: indeed, this leads to low temperatures inside homes, low availability of electricity for lighting and supplying electronic equipment to meet basic needs such as eating, caring and moving and rises high stress to people associated with unsustainable energy costs. Poor energy families dispose of inadequate levels of these essential energy services due to different factors like low household income and inefficient buildings and appliances.

It is estimated that **over 50 million households in the European Union live in energy poverty** and this situation affects about 8% of the population in Italy.

Awareness of energy poverty is growing rapidly in EU and its member states. In fact, the consequences of this situation

been recently launched by the Commission.

EnerSHIFT has the important task to provide inputs to the European policymakers attending the workshop on how to challenge Energy Poverty and to explain how the project experience ongoing in Liguria Region contributes to improve the conditions of habitability and energy comfort of public housing tenants, thus relieving them from Energy poverty issues.

### **What is ENERGY POVERTY:**

there is not a univocal definition of Energy Poverty but, as the Commission explains, it is a specific form of poverty negatively affecting the

negatively affect individual people as well as the society at a public level, due to high spending in health, damages at the environment and loss of productivity.

In Italy, for example, a Social Bonus was introduced to help those families paying electricity and gas bills.

At European level, one of the latest initiatives of the European Commission is the creation of the **European Observatory on Energy Poverty (EPOV)**, providing the Member States with comprehensive and detailed data on the measurement and monitoring of Energy Poverty and knowledge about existing best practices.

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