

EⁿR perspectives on the EU New Green Deal

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1. The role of EⁿR



Background

- Established in 1992, EnR is a voluntary network of 25 'national' energy agencies with responsibility for planning, management and review of national research, development, demonstration and dissemination programmes.
- EnR is at the forefront of Europe's drive to improve energy efficiency, increase the use of renewable energy and mitigate the damaging effects of climate change, ensuring this transition is just.
- EnR achieves this vision by acting as a bridge between national activities and those of the European Community and other relevant international bodies.



Management

- Rotating Presidency current President: Energy Saving Trust (EST), UK
- Troika management committee support from outgoing and incoming Presidencies
- Annual member & strategy meetings
- Eight thematic Working Groups

Working Groups



Buildings ADENE – Portugal



Energy Efficiency CRES - Greece



Renewable Energy Dena - Germany



Motiva Oy - Finland



Industry ENEA - Italy





ADEME - France



2008

European Energy Network

Policy timeline & EnR contributions?





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Niroshini Bodinagoda, 31/01/2020

Policy and strategy

The EnR contributes to informing and shaping EU and National policies and strategies by:

- Responding to EU wide consultations
- Producing position papers on current / emerging topics based on EnR member country wide research
- Facilitating communication and information flow between national and EU level stakeholders
- Actively engaging with citizen at both national and European level
- Instigating innovative, collaborative projects and disseminating to and engaging with relevant policy makers on the outputs

Policy and strategy

"top down"



EC

EnR

Network

National

initiatives



EnR has the flexibility to take initiatives from EU directives to national level - "top down" approach and national level initiatives to the wider European region – "bottom up" approach

National initiatives



Policy and strategy





2. Achievements to date





Collaborative EU projects and initiatives

Through collaborative projects EnR members:

- Design and test citizen and community centred approaches to support consumers to become prosumers
- Demonstrate new and innovative thinking, products and services
- Trial new technologies
- Collaborate on cross-cutting themes and develop replicable solutions to shared barriers



Collaborative EU projects and initiatives

- Design and implement robust evaluation and impact measurement methodologies and openly share data and insight
- Engage with other EU level networks and organisations
- Act as Advisory / Steering Board members or provide Technical expertise to other EC funded projects
- Mainstream EU learnings at national and local levels

Collaborative Projects and Initiatives







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Behave

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EnR members' international activity

- Collectively EnR members are already actively supporting the UN's 2030 strategy and the SDGs.
- Members collaborate with international partners on a range of themes e.g. energy access, buildings, transport, renewables, standards and circular economy, low carbon technologies, decentralised heat and inclusivity and social justice.
- The **type of support provided also varies** greatly e.g. policy support, technical assistance, capacity building, monitoring and impact assessment and grant / fund /loan administration.
- Geographic coverage predominantly includes EU accession countries and neighbouring regions, Africa, South and South East Asia and Latin America.



3. Future Direction of EnR, informed by the Green Deal



Green Deal priorities, aligning with ongoing EnR activities

- "A renovation wave" "the Commission proposes to work with stakeholders on a new initiative on renovation in 2020."
- "Achieving sustainable transport means putting users first. The Commission will adopt a strategy for sustainable and smart mobility in 2020.."
- "A new montoring mechanism... The Commission will also launch a dashboard to monitor progress against all of the European Green Deal objectives."

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New cross-cutting themes for EnR, driven by the Green Deal priorities

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The Just Transition Mechanism including Energy Poverty

The Green Deal:

"Support will be linked to promoting a transition towards low-carbon and climate-resilient activities. It will also strive to protect the citizens and workers most vulnerable to the transition, providing access to re-skilling programmes, jobs in new economic sectors, or energy-efficient housing."



In this former coal-mining area in Wales, low-income homes are heated by warmth extracted from water in the unused mine (source: BBC)



EnR Activities to focus on The Just Transition Mechanism including Energy Poverty

- Now: Feeding into the consultation on the Just Transitions fund
- Short-term: many EnR members will play a key role this year in supporting MSs in implementing forthcoming guidance from the Commission to assist Member States in addressing the issue of energy poverty
- Medium term: Ongoing focus on research and access to the 'co-benefits' (especially health) arising from energy efficiency, low-emission transport and renewable energy policies.



Smart Integration

The Green Deal:

"The smart integration of renewables, energy efficiency and other sustainable solutions across sectors will help to achieve decarbonisation at the lowest possible cost."

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EnR Activities to focus on Smart Integration

- Identifying how members can support and respond to the plan for measures for smart integration to be launched mid-2020.
- Influencing and informing strategy and policy beyond EED, RES II & EPBD (with which members are deeply engaged) integrating renewables, energy efficiency, smart solutions and interoperability and mobility.
- Key EnR Competencies & likely focus areas:
 - bringing together sectorally focused working groups.
 - Longer term priority Focus on product and process innovation for smart solutions, building on existing supply chain partnerships and programmes.



Circular Economy

The Green Deal:

"Achieving a climate neutral and circular economy requires the full mobilisation of industry. It takes 25 years – a generation – to transform an industrial sector and all the value chains. To be ready in 2050, decisions and actions need to be taken in the next five years." Add picture as with energy justice slide

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EnR activities to focus on *Circular Economy*

- Responding to and engaging with the new industrial strategy (EnR has a new industry working group)
- Developing and supporting the Circular Economy Action Plan: key EnR competencies & likely focus areas:
 - Working with consumers on product choices strong focus and expertise on standards and labelling, market surveillance etc
 - A mechanism for sharing emerging national policy best practice – eg work of Motiva Oy (Finland) on national circular economy strategy



International slide

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- **NB21** An EnR international strategy doesn't exisit. Need some kind of coherent EnR approach to international as many members are already working in areas / trying to address the international challeneges in the EU Green Deal but not collabroatively from within the EnR. Niroshini Bodinagoda, 31/01/2020
- **NB22** Suggestions on what to include here / how to present here welcome! Niroshini Bodinagoda, 31/01/2020



5. How the EnR will support the new EU Green Deal



How EnR supports New Green Deal

- EU Green Deal will initiate unprecedented change across different sectors of society
- Energy agencies provide a robust existing structure to lead/facilitate that process of change
- Exciting emerging best practice from energy agencies is showing how they can tackle new parts of the challenge – e.g. circular economy
- We are finding new innovative approaches to tackle old challenges e.g. home energy efficiency

How EnR supports New Green Deal

- Energy Agencies are vital to ensure the energy transition is delivered fairly across society (Just Transition)
- Energy Agencies are already promoting European leadership in the energy transition on the global stage
- We have a strong track record of raising awareness, educating and advising citizens on EE, RES and mobility issues



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