EPCs and their role in stimulating the market of building renovation and new "green" buildings

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Why focus on EPC

- Instrument to activate market mechanisms for achieving energy savings by upgrading the energy performance of buildings
- ► EPC standardisation facilitates introduction of mandatory minimum performance requirements and effective incentives for public and private sector building renovations
- ▶ Raise awareness on economic benefits of energy renovations
- Monitor the impact of policies and financial support schemes
- Critical issue: Competence of certifiers to implement the standard methodology and standards to be followed in calculating an EPC
- Critical issue: Independent control system
- Key for the successful implementation of the Renovation Wave (to both, EU and CPs) https://ec.europa.eu/energy/topics/energy-efficient-buildings/renovation-wave_en

- Status of EPC regulatory framework in the CPs
- Requirement to issue an EPC for sale or lease of a building or building unit
- EPC class calculation basis
- Minimum EPC class requirements for new and major renovation of existing buildings
- Provisions for independent assessors of EPC
- Requirement for an independent control system



EPC regulatory framework in the ECS CPs

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Albania	 Primary legislation covers at high level. EPC Regulation drafted Dec 2019, not yet adopted 	✓ REEP
Federation BiH	 EPBD requirements on issuing EPC mostly implemented. Legislative framework currently in process of update for compliance with EPBD 	✓ REEP
Republic of Srpska	 Framework covers requirements for new buildings. EPC Regulation drafted Feb 2020, not yet adopted 	✓ REEP
Georgia	Transposition of secondary regulation with EPBD currently in progress	
Kosovo*	EPBD compliant Regulation for issuing EPC in place	✓ REEP
Moldova	EPBD compliant Regulation for issuing EPC in place	
Montenegro	Regulatory framework update in progress	
North Macedonia	 Primary legislation covers at high level. Secondary legislation currently in process of review and update for compliance with EPBD 	✓ REEP
Serbia	EPC Regulation in place. In process of update for compliance with EPBD	✓ REEP
Ukraine	EPBD compliant Regulation for issuing EPC in place	

EPC required for sale or lease of a building or building unit (EPBD, Art. 12)

Albania

• Yes, for both, in amended draft Regulation

Federation BiH

• Yes, for both, in the Energy Efficiency Law. Partial implementation at the cantonal level

Republic of Srpska

• EPC required for the construction, sale or lease of a new building only

Georgia

Transposition of secondary regulation with EPBD currently in progress

Kosovo*

Yes, an EPC is required for the sale or lease of a building

Moldova

• Yes, an EPC is required for the sale or lease of a building

Montenegro

• Yes, an EPC is required for the sale or lease of a building

North Macedonia

• Yes, an EPC is required for the sale or lease of a building

Serbia

Not a prerequisite. In process of update for compliance with EPBD, by REEP Plus

Ukraine

• Not a prerequisite



EPC class calculation – **EPBD** Annex I: Common general framework for the calculation of energy performance of buildings

	Albania	Based on total primary energy consumption (regulation not yet adopted)
	Federation BiH	Based on annual demand for heating energy
	Republic of Srpska	Based on annual demand for heating energy
	Georgia	Transposition of secondary regulation with EPBD currently in progress
	Kosovo*	Based on total primary energy consumption
	Moldova	Based on annual demand for heating energy
	Montenegro	Based on total primary energy consumption. Methodology upgrade in progress
	North Macedonia	Based on annual demand for heating energy
	Serbia	Based on annual demand for heating energy
	Ukraine	Based on total primary energy consumption

Minimum EPC class requirement: New buildings

Major renovation of old

Albania

• EPC rating of B (A+ to G scale)

Federation BiH

• EPC rating of B (A+ to G scale)

Republic of Srpska

• EPC rating of C (A+ to G scale)

Georgia

 Transposition of secondary regulation with EPBD currently in progress

Kosovo*

EPC rating of B (A+ to G scale)

Moldova

• EPC rating of B (A to G scale)

Montenegro

 Currently no minimum class requirement – to be introduced in 2021

North Macedonia

• EPC rating of C (A+ to G scale)

Serbia

• EPC rating of C (A+ to G scale)

Ukraine

• EPC rating of C (A to G scale)

- Minimum requirements for energy performance of buildings must be met
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- Transposition of secondary regulation with EPBD currently in progress
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- EPC rating of B
- Currently no minimum class requirement to be introduced in 2021
- EPC rating of D (A+ to G scale)
- Existing EPC rating must be upgraded by at least one class
- EPC rating of C

Independent assessors for EPC (EPBD, Art. 17)

Albania

• Primary and secondary legislation relative to EPC assessors is in place

Federation BiH

• Primary and secondary legislation relative to EPC assessors is in place (under further review by REEP Plus)

Republic of Srpska

• Training and accreditation of qualified experts is covered in primary legislation

Georgia

Transposition of secondary regulation with EPBD currently in progress

Kosovo*

Primary and secondary legislation relative to EPC assessors is in place

Moldova

• Primary and secondary legislation relative to EPC assessors is in place

Montenegro

Regulatory framework update in progress

North Macedonia

• Primary legislation covers at high level. Secondary legislation currently in process of review and update for compliance with EPBD, by REEP Plus

Serbia

Rules governing licensing of EPC assessors are in place

Ukraine

• Primary and secondary legislation relative to EPC assessors is in place



EPC independent control system (EPBD, Art. 18, Annex II)

Albania

• Independent EPC scheme auditors appointed by the Albanian Agency for Energy Efficiency

Federation BiH

• Independent Control Commission appointed by decision of Minister of FMSP

Republic of Srpska

 Independent Control Commission appointed by the Director of the Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund

Georgia

• Transposition of secondary regulation with EPBD currently in progress

Kosovo*

• Independent control performed by energy assessors selected from the Kosovo Energy Efficiency Agency register

Moldova

NA

Montenegro

Regulations currently in process of updating

North Macedonia

• Control performed by the Energy Agency of the Republic of North Macedonia

Serbia

• The EPC Rulebook is currently being updated for compliance with EPBD by REEP Plus

Ukraine

NA

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