

▶ Kosovo*

BRS: BUILDING RENOVATION STRATEGY

The legal background of the Strategy

- ▶ The Energy Efficiency Directive and the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive are adopted by the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community as part of the energy efficiency *acquis* of the Energy Community
- ▶ Law No. 06/L-079 on Energy Efficiency, transposes elements of the EED. Article 7:
 - the BRS should be developed by the Ministry responsible for the energy sector, i.e. the Ministry of Economic Development (MED), with support from the Kosovo Energy Efficiency Agency (KEEA)
- ▶ Law on Energy, Law on Construction, Law on Energy Performance of Buildings, Law on the Energy Regulator, Law on Electricity
- ▶ Regulation on MEPR, EPC Regulation, National Plan for NZEB, etc
- ▶ NEEAP, NREAP, EEO scheme, Energy Strategy, Strategy for climate change

BRS objectives

- ▶ Providing a roadmap towards a national stock of buildings of high efficiency and quality in Kosovo over the next 10-20 years and beyond
- ▶ Achieving a major scaling up of the volume and depth of energy efficiency renovation activity
- ▶ Reducing energy consumption in existing buildings
- ▶ Creating significant new business activity in energy efficiency renovation
- ▶ Contributing to national energy and climate policy goals.

Critical factors: stakeholders

- ▶ Coordination in the public sector: Ministries, local authorities, local energy agencies, Standardisation Agency
- ▶ 38 Municipalities: Municipal Energy Efficiency Action Plans (MEEAPs)
- ▶ Construction industry, building professional service providers, importers and traders of equipment and material, craftspersons, training bodies
- ▶ Consumers, property owners, facilities management organisations, social housing companies
- ▶ Financial institutions, funds, insurance companies
- ▶ Energy service utilities

Barriers to overcome

- ▶ **Legal and regulatory**, eg Illegal buildings, multi-owner buildings, missing elements of secondary legislation, public procurement, etc
- ▶ **Fiscal and economic**, eg limitations on public financing and borrowing capacity, energy price distortions, cost of money, economic uncertainty, energy poverty, affordability, etc
- ▶ **Financial**, eg KEEF newly established, lacking capacity and experience, banks unfamiliar with EE investments, transaction costs, restrictions to municipality borrowing, absence of ESCOs, etc
- ▶ **Institutional**, eg bias towards supply side investment, low priority for EE in public and commercial sector budgeting, lack of reliable building stock profile and EE database, etc
- ▶ **Technical**, eg number of energy assessors, craftsmanship for EE renovations, etc
- ▶ **Information**, eg lack of data, decision maker awareness, confidence on EE, etc

Next steps

- ▶ Version 2 of the draft BRS to be reviewed by TWG
- ▶ Preparation of version 3 of the draft BRS
- ▶ Public consultation, workshops with stakeholder groups
- ▶ Completion of the BRS