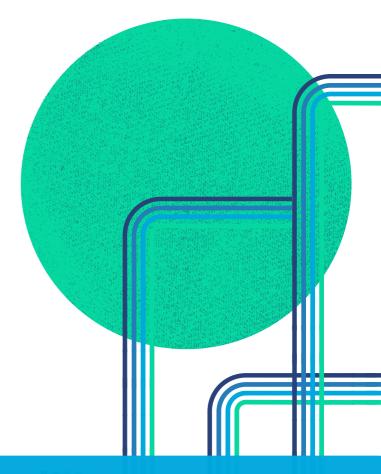


Stay cool for the summer, read about energy efficiency policies.









Adoption of the EED Recast: Article 7 becomes a stronger Article 8

The 'Fit for 55 package' and the REPowerEU plan proposed to <u>upgrade the</u> <u>current Energy Efficiency Directive (EED)</u> to align it with the higher 2030 climate objectives and speed up the phase-out of fossil fuel imports from Russia.

After almost two years of negotiations, the European Parliament, the Council of the EU and the European Commission agreed on a joint text that strengthens the existing energy efficiency framework. While Member States must transpose the new text into national law within two years of publication, many of the new or revised provisions of Article 8 (formerly Article 7) will have an impact from 2024 (e.g. higher savings rate).

The <u>latest report by ENSMOV Plus</u> provides an overview of the changes brought by the fit-for-55 package to the implementation of Article 8 EED.



Stakeholders' priority topics about the new Article 8 EED

<u>Challenges and opportunities for the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of energy efficiency policies in the context of Article 7 EED becoming Article 8 EED.</u>

Read through our summary results from the ENSMOV Plus 2023 Survey! The results provide insights into identifying the specific needs and challenges of national policy makers and other stakeholders involved in the implementation of Article 8 policy measures.





2030 targets at risk: more transparency is needed

The European Court of Auditors published a <u>report</u> warning that the 2030 energy and climate targets are at risk. The report asks for more transparency on the performance of the EU and its member states on their climate and energy actions. Article 7 (soon 8) of the Energy Efficiency Directive requires a detailed Monitoring & Verification (M&V) of the energy savings from public policies, with data reported by Member States every two years in their National Energy Climate Progress Reports.

<u>ENSMOV Plus</u> is contributing to the improvement of M&V by sharing good practices and facilitating experience sharing among Member States. See the recordings and presentation files of a small-group <u>workshop on M&V systems</u>.



Looking for new energy savings opportunities?

"More energy savings: yes, we can!" was the topic of the final dialogue meeting of the streamSAVE project dealing with energy savings calculations. The proceedings include presentation files and recordings about energy savings in data centres and from complementary renovation measures, electrification in industry and modal shift to e-bikes. You may also be interested in the proceedings of the streamSAVE workshop on <u>freight transport</u>.

Identifying energy savings potentials at national level is also a topic currently examined by ENSMOV Plus. An online workshop on this topic will be organised this autumn.







Time for a step change in the fight against energy poverty

The <u>SocialWatt</u> policy briefs discuss the <u>changes brought by the EED recast</u> on the topic of energy poverty; analyse the <u>changes between 2019 and now in the policies tackling energy poverty</u> with trends towards more specific targeting and promoting deeper renovations; and discuss the <u>role of energy companies</u>. SocialWatt also prepared <u>10 country factsheets</u> screening the recent policy measures implemented to tackle energy poverty.

Tackling energy poverty is high on the agenda of the new Article 8 EED, with a minimum share of energy savings to be achieved among priority groups. ENSMOV Plus will continue to facilitate experience sharing in this field, looking more specifically at the targeting issue. Examples will soon be collected and analysed: to be discussed early 2024!



Energy demand reduction: the role of end users

This <u>policy brief</u> published by the Joint Research Centre in March 2023 discusses how behavioural interventions can help meet the short-term target to reduce energy consumption and how the current context could become an opportunity to reconfigure lifestyles and more effectively change behaviours and habits for the longer term.

The <u>NUDGE</u> project recently launched a <u>new online tool</u> to better understand what nudging means, and providing resources to develop the use of nudges in an effective way to save energy. The project also developed a <u>methodology</u> to assess these energy savings.

ABOUT ENSMOV

ENSMOV Plus builds on the previous <u>ENSMOV</u> project to provide support to public authorities and key stakeholders on the implementation of Article 7 EED.

The activities and resources developed by the project cover the whole policy cycle, facilitates experience sharing and makes knowledge and information easy to find and use. ENSMOV Plus deals with both short-term and concrete issues and longer term strategic approaches to improving the effectiveness of energy efficiency policies.

ENSMOV Plus also has a <u>knowledge exchange platform</u> where all relevant information on Article 7 EED and its implementation can be found!



