Greece





Legal documents in Greece

In Greece, Article 8 of the Energy Efficiency Directive (EED) has been transposed into national law by Article 10 "Energy audits and energy management systems" of the national Law 4342/2015 on Energy Efficiency, which entered into force in 2015.

Guiding documents for the implementation are offered in the documents published on the website of the Ministry of Environment and Energy. These are the Portal for the Register of Energy Auditors and Legal Entities and Portal for the Energy Audits Archive.



Involved actors in Greece

The ministry responsible for the Implementation of the Energy Efficiency Directive in Greece is the Ministry of Environment and Energy: Inspection Departments of Northern and Southern Greece of the Special Secretariat of the Inspectors and Auditors Body. The Center For Renewable Energy Sources (CRES) has been appointed as National entity for the promotion of renewable energy sources, rational use of energy and energy conservation.

To identify obligated companies, the national monitoring body furthermore collaborates with the Ministry of Finance and business data companies.

To identify obligated companies, the Ministry of Environment and Energy has created a list of the obligated companies, which is frequently updated after cross-checking data with other public authorities such as the Independent Public Revenue Authority, the General Commercial Register (GEMI) with data concerning all companies and the Information System of the Ministry of Labour.

Challenge	Identified solution strategies	Key actors recommendations and resources from the project
Identification of obligated companies. The main challenge is a better identification of the obliged companies based on energy data of both power installation and annual energy consumption and not only based on financial and labour data.	 Simplified energy audits. Enhance push- and pull-factors for compliance 	Key Recommendation #01: Overcome the information barrier by the creation of a central information hub at national or regional level depending on the EU MS specific characteristics
Relevance to the new EED	HIGH	
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Guiding SMEs to participation. Many SMEs restrain from participating in governmental energy efficiency programmes due to a fear of administrative burden		and resources

		from the project
Raising awareness on opportunities and create support mechanisms. Especially small SMEs are often not aware of the benefits that energy efficiency can have for them.	 Provide a clear overview of available support schemes. Use active facilitation such as dedicated events to engage SMEs. Establish cooperation with regional institutions and share success stories. 	 Key Recommendation #03: Create a set of structured guidelines to clarify the relationships between energy obligations – or NON obligations – and sustainability Resource #01: Communication <u>campaign plan and report</u> Resource #02: <u>Training</u> <u>documents</u>
Relevance to the new EED	HIGH	

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