

IEE PROJECT CONURBANT



LIST OF SIGNATORIES (INCLUDING CONURBATION TOWNS) DELIVERABLE 4.1

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INTRODUCTION

Signing of Covenant of Mayors is the first task of work package 4: Development of SEAPs and peer-to-peer approach.

There are 8 Trainee municipalities with 32 Conurbation towns and two Tutoring municipalities with 8 Conurbation towns involved in this task.

The objective of this task is to encourage all Trainee municipalities and Conurbation towns that will receive support in form of energy baseline assessment and Sustainable energy action plan (SEAP) development will sign the Covenant as soon as possible.

It is foreseen that the task should be fulfilled until Month 7 (December 2011) however different obstacles occur.

The report summarises the status of the completion of the task on 15 February 2012 with a latest update on 6 November 2012.

LISTS OF SIGNATORIES

TRAINEE MUNICIPALITIES

There are 8 Trainee municipalities involved in the project. All of them have signed the Covenant of Mayors until the end of December 2011. The dates of the accession and population are summarized in the Table 1.

TABLE 1: TRAINEE MUNICIPALITIES SIGNING COVENANT¹

| Trainee municipality | Date of decision | Population |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Vicenza (Italy) | 16 November 2011 | 116 000 |
| Palma de Mallorca (Spain) | 22 December 2010 | 422 918 |
| Limassol (Cyprus) | 6 September 2011 | 98 000 |
| Arad (Romania) | 17 June 2010 | 172 827 |
| Timisoara (Romania) | 29 June 2010 | 329 554 |
| Salaspils (Latvia) | 31 August 2011 | 21 102 |
| Vratsa (Bulgaria) | 22 August 2011 | 73 443 |
| Osijek (Croatia) | 6 December 2011 | 107 784 |
| Total | | 1 341 628 |

CONURBATION TOWNS

Until 6 November 2012, 46 Conurbation cities (total population is more than 465 384) have signed Covenant of Mayors. In the meantime there are 16 Conurbation towns involved by one partner – Municipality of Timisoara. Detailed information about all municipalities is summarised in the Table 2. The list below of Conurbation towns differs from the project application. This is due to the fact that some of the municipalities that provided Letter of Intent have signed already Covenant of Mayors and initiated development of SEAPs. There are also cases when municipalities of closer distance have been invited to participate.

TABLE 2: CONURBATION TOWNS SIGNING COVENANT²

| Project partner | Conurbation town | Date of decision | Population |
|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| Vicenza (Italy) | 1. Creazzo | <i>Expected December 2012</i> | |
| | 2. Arcugnano | <i>Expected December 2012</i> | |
| | 3. Monticello Conte Otto | <i>Expected December 2012</i> | |
| | 4. Sovizzo | 27 May 2010 | |
| | 5. Torri di Quartesolo | 27 April 2010 | 11 959 |
| Padova (Italy) | 6. Ponte di San Nicolo | <i>Expected December 2012</i> | |
| | 7. Rubano | 29 September 2009 | 13 671 |
| | 8. Due Carrare | <i>Expected December 2012</i> | |
| | 9. Vigonza | <i>Expected December 2012</i> | |
| Osijek (Croatia) | 10. Beli Manastir | 24 April 2012 | 10 549 |
| | 11. Belišće | 22 March 2012 | 10 790 |

¹ Source: www.eumayors.eu (accessed on 23 January 2012)

² Source: www.eumayors.eu (accessed on 6 November 2012)

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| | 12. Donji Miholjac | 20 June 2012 | 9 468 |
| | 13. Vinkovci | 5 June 2012 | 35 375 |
| Palma de Mallorca (Spain) | 14. Andratx | 31 March 2011 | |
| | 15. Puigpunyent | 29 November 2009 | |
| | 16. Calvia | 24 November 2011 | 54 268 |
| | 17. Esporles | 24 February 2011 | |
| | 18. Santa María del Camí | 28 January 2010 | |
| Limassol (Cyprus) | 19. Yermasogia | <i>Expected December 2012</i> | |
| | 20. Kato Polemidia | 5 October 2010 | 30 000 |
| | 21. Mesa Yitonia | <i>Expected December 2012</i> | |
| Arad (Romania) | 22. Pecica | 24 November 2011 | 13 024 |
| | 23. Nadlac | 19 October 2011 | 8 154 |
| | 24. Lipova | 28 October 2011 | 11 236 |
| | 25. Santana | 20 September 2011 | 13 286 |
| Timisoara (Romania) | 26. Bucovat | 25 November 2011 | 1 058 |
| | 27. Carpinis | 30 November 2011 | 5 419 |
| | 28. Dudestii Noi | 14 November 2011 | 2 779 |
| | 29. Ghiroda | November 2011 | 4 907 |
| | 30. Giarmata | November 2011 | 6 017 |
| | 31. Giroc | 30 November 2011 | 4 512 |
| | 32. Jimbolia | 24 November 2011 | 11 113 |
| | 33. Mosnita Noua | 14 November 2011 | 5 300 |
| | 34. Ortisoara | November 2011 | 4 182 |
| | 35. Peciu Nou | 17 November 2011 | 5 000 |
| | 36. Pischia | 28 November 2011 | 2 872 |
| | 37. Remetea Mare | 14 November 2011 | 3 290 |
| | 38. Sinandrei | 29 November 2011 | 5 845 |
| | 39. Sinmihaiu Roman | 2 November 2011 | 4 514 |
| | 40. Sag | 31 October 2011 | 3 036 |
| | 41. Dumbravita | 27 January 2012 | 2 980 |
| Alba Iulia (Romania) | 42. Sîntimbru | 31 May 2012 | 3 007 |
| | 43. Zlatna | 27 January 2011 | 8 612 |
| | 44. Aiud | 28 August 2008 | 28 934 |
| | 45. Ciugud | 23 May 2012 | 3 017 |
| Salaspils (Latvia) | 46. Ighiu | 6 September 2012 | 6 517 |
| | 47. Ogre | 22 December 2011 | 39 196 |
| | 48. Ikskile | 30 November 2011 | 8 850 |
| | 49. Kegums | 11 January 2012 | 6 200 |
| | 50. Lielvarde | 28 December 2011 | 6 708 |
| Vratsa (Bulgaria) | 51. Krivodol | 19 August 2011 | 3 421 |
| | 52. Mezdra | 4 August 2011 | 10 896 |
| | 53. Mizia | 29 July 2011 | 8 900 |
| | 54. Kozloduy | 26 July 2011 | 25 000 |
| | 55. Oryahovo | 6 January 2012 | 11 522 |

CONCLUSIONS

As it can be seen there are several partner organisation facing difficulties to involve Conurbation towns. The reasons differ between countries:

- In Vicenza some of the addressed Conurbation towns have changed their mind and are no longer interested to participate in Conurbant (like Municipality of Dueville). Therefore Vicenza organised once again second local training (27 January 2012) and invited new municipalities to join the project. Municipalities of Monticello Conte Otto and Sovizzo will join the project. Municipality of Torri di Quartesolo will follow the activities of Conurbant however will attract their own experts.
- Padova has received an official letter from Municipality of Rubano (see Annex 1) that they still are at the beginning of the Emission Baseline Inventory and SEAP process and that they need technical support from Conurbant. It should be noted that economic crisis in Italy has had an influence also on the public sector and decisions in municipalities lately have been taken very slowly.
- Also Palma at the end of 2011 had to invite two new municipalities in the Conurbant. Their decision to join the project will be discussed in detail during the second local training held on 27 January 2012. Municipality of Puigpunyent will provide official confirmation that they still are at the beginning of the Emission Baseline Inventory and SEAP process and need technical support from Conurbant (see Annex 2). It is expected that two other Conurbation towns will sign Covenant of Mayors by the end of February 2012.
- Municipal elections in Cyprus were held on 18 December 2011. Therefore municipalities did not take any decisions to sign Covenant of Mayors before elections. During the January Municipality of Limassol organises meetings with new members of committees in Conurbation towns to encourage to sign Covenant and join the project. It is expected that two Conurbation towns will sign Covenant of Mayors by the end of February 2012.

In the meantime it should be noted that Romania and Bulgaria as new Member State have possibilities to attract Sustainable Energy Investments. Therefore there is a high interest like in Timisoara region and Vratsa district to participate in CONURBANT project to gain new knowledge and to use in future investments. Municipality of Timisoara has involved now 16 municipalities and Vratsa – 5 Conurbation towns.

However it should be noticed that economic crisis in Romania and insufficiency of local budgets have a bad influence on the public sector. There is a lack of necessary funds for implementation of energy efficiency measures and sustainable energy actions plans. The local public authorities are interested to use the possibilities and attract EU and state funding for implementation of the actions and measures due to limitation of local budgets.

Timișoara Municipality has already developed the Sustainable Energy Action Plan. The document is under evaluation process.

Meanwhile all the partners have initiated activities related to data acquisition for Emission Baseline in the partner region and also in Conurbation towns.

**ANNEX 1 – OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION LETTER OF
MUNICIPALITY OF RUBANO**

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