



PROJECT INFORMATION

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German-Romanian Workshop: Use of renewable energy in Romania – Towards energy self-sufficiency of Municipalities



Energy supply in a Romanian rural municipality.
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Background

One of the objectives of the national energy strategy of Romania for the period 2001-2020 is to increase the share of renewable energy sources to cover the country's energy demand. Since 2009 parliament and government intent to initiate pilot projects to increase the utilization of renewable energy sources and to stimulate energy efficiency in rural municipalities ("green villages projects").

The bottlenecks in energy supply caused by the interruption of the natural gas transfer from the Russian Federation to Ukraine during the winter period 2008/2009 and the increasing energy prices also motivate Romanian municipalities to consider the opportunities of energy self sufficiency.

Project

The goal of the project was to prepare and conduct a workshop, in order to facilitate the transfer of know how between selected representatives of German and Romanian municipalities and companies about options to utilize renewable energy sources in municipalities, to enable actors of Romanian municipalities to develop appropriate pilot projects and to initiate first pilot projects.

The workshop was organized 06.-08.12.2010 in the city of Slănic-Moldova (Bacău district). 41 participants discussed various aspects of planning, financing and implementing projects that promote energy efficiency and the utilization of renewable energy sources. Two pilot projects have been launched and are planned to be implemented in the course of 2011 by German and Romania actors in the context of a bilateral cooperation: one in Slănic-Moldova and one in the city of Avrig (Sibiu district). These pilot projects shall support Romanian actors in their efforts to develop the idea of the "green villages projects" towards a national approach to promote and fund the utilization of renewable energy sources in rural municipalities.

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