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# Creation and management of the Energy Desk of the municipality of Messina - Sicily [Italy]

## Context & Rationale

The good practice is one of the specific measures planned in the SEAP (Sustainable Energy Action Plan) by the municipality of Messina in May 2015.

## Description

Messina 'Energy Desk' is a permanent office addressed to citizens to disseminate and promote information on technologies for energy efficiency. The creation of the Energy Desk is one of the actions foreseen by the Sustainable Energy Action Plan (SEAP) of the Municipality of Messina. However the municipality has wanted and created an energy desk with a large involvement of the main socio-economic actors of the territory. The partners of the Messina Energy Desk include both public bodies and market stakeholders. In fact, participants come from different sectors and the cooperation between them is highly multidisciplinary.

## Main Objectives

The main objectives of the Energy Desk include:

- 1) responses to the needs and energy issues arisen from the territory;
- 2) development of technical / regulatory criteria on the use of renewable energy technologies;
- 3) guidelines of the renovation / energy efficiency in the building sector;
- 4) providing information to operators and companies for planning and interventions in the field of building energy efficiency;
- 5) Development and update of the website of Energy Desk
- 6) Participation and active promotion in workshops and semi-annual seminars on themes of energy efficiency public and private building
- 7) Dissemination of results and good practices at national, regional and local level.

Key people involved:

- Messina Municipality;
- Authority of Cultural Heritage and Environment of Messina;
- ENEA (National Agency for New Technologies, Energies and Sustainable Economic Development);
- CNR ITAE (The Institute of Chemical Methods and Processes for the Transformation and Storage of Energy);
- Messina University;
- Professional Association of Architects of the Messina province;
- Professional Association of Engineers of the Messina province;
- National Institute of Bio – Architecture – MESSINA Chapter

## Financing and Costs / Time Frame

Total cost for 4 years is € 16.500,00:

- € 5.000,00 WEB site implementation and management;
- € 4.000,00 in kind for expenses related to the office renting and personnel;
- € 7.500,00 for hardware and software expenses.

For running of energy desk no financial flows are needed, each party involved shall bear the costs related to the execution of its own activities.

The return on investment is in environmental and social terms and increase of welfare of the citizens in line with the Covenant of Mayors program.

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