

EEW4 External Event Report

Title of the event: *EEW4 Polish webinar: EUCF 2nd call announcement & discussing supporting narratives for the energy transition*

<i>Date & location:</i>	17 th March 2021, on Zoom
<i>Organiser(s):</i>	Energy Cities with Polish Network of Energy Cities (PNEC)
<i>Summary of the event</i>	This joint webinar of Energy Cities and PNEC had a double purpose offering Polish municipalities extensive information on the 2 nd call of the European City Finance Facility, while discussing supporting narratives that can back their energy efficient investment decisions. Sztum and Piaseczno, two municipalities awarded in the first call of EUCF shared their experiences about their experiences with the first call as well as their motivations, their key arguments and stories for supporting their investment concept.
<i>Objective & main programme point</i>	Aim of the webinar was to present EEW4 survey's Polish results and gather feedback on the survey as well as further input for the narratives development. Key input factors for Poland was presented by Energy Cities and interpreted in Polish by a high profile interpreter. Sztum and Piaseczno, two municipalities of different sizes and background from two different regions of Poland were reacting and commenting on seven poll questions. These questions and comments have generated a lively discussion with the audience; whose feedback via the poll questions and the chat was valuable input for the narratives development.
<i>Conclusions</i>	Polish municipalities, Sztum and Piaseczno, have reported their primary aim of their energy transition project is being the <i>energy independence, the energy self-sufficiency of their municipalities</i> . This has been largely confirmed by the poll questions. Next key motivations of municipalities in Poland are <i>the reduction of air pollution</i> (still a high usage of coal and firing communal waste by



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the poor in cities); *increasing the attractiveness of their cities* by a green image and *generate savings on their energy consumption*.

This is slightly contradicting the EEW4 survey results – yet observable as a strong motivation throughout CEEC countries. Here job creation or loss of jobs and competitiveness – although strongly connected - are not the first motivation for their investments.

Municipalities have reported of conservative spending policies; primarily using their own resources; secondly realising those investments primarily where public / national subsidies are available, but reluctant to use any innovative / market based schemes.



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PROGRAM:




EUCF 2nd call announcement & discussing supporting narratives for the energy transition

WEBINAR

Date & Time: 17th March 2021, 10:00-12:00 am CET

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/94362176745>

AGENDA

9:45 – 10:00	Login and testing connections
10:00 – 10:05	Welcome and introduction - Anna Jaskuła, Polish Network „Energie Cités”
10:05 – 11:00	 Presenting the 2 nd EUCF call – Sylwia Słomiak, EUCF Polish country expert
11:00 – 11:30	Q&A
11:30 – 11:40	Coffee break
11:40 – 12:00	 Presenting results of the Energy Efficiency Watch survey - Kristina Dely, Energie Cités
12:00 – 13:00	Moderated discussion and feedback around Poll questions – with commentary from 1 st call winners - <u>Sztum/Piaseczno</u> : Hanna Magdziarz, UM Piaseczno Michał Mroczkowski, UMIG Sztum
13:00	Conclusions

This joint webinar has a double purpose: offering Polish municipalities extensive information on the 2nd call of the European City Finance Facility, while discussing supporting narratives that can back their energy efficient investment decisions. EUCF first round awarded municipalities: Sztum and Piaseczno will share their experiences about the call, their preparations as well their motivations, their key arguments and stories for supporting their investment concept.



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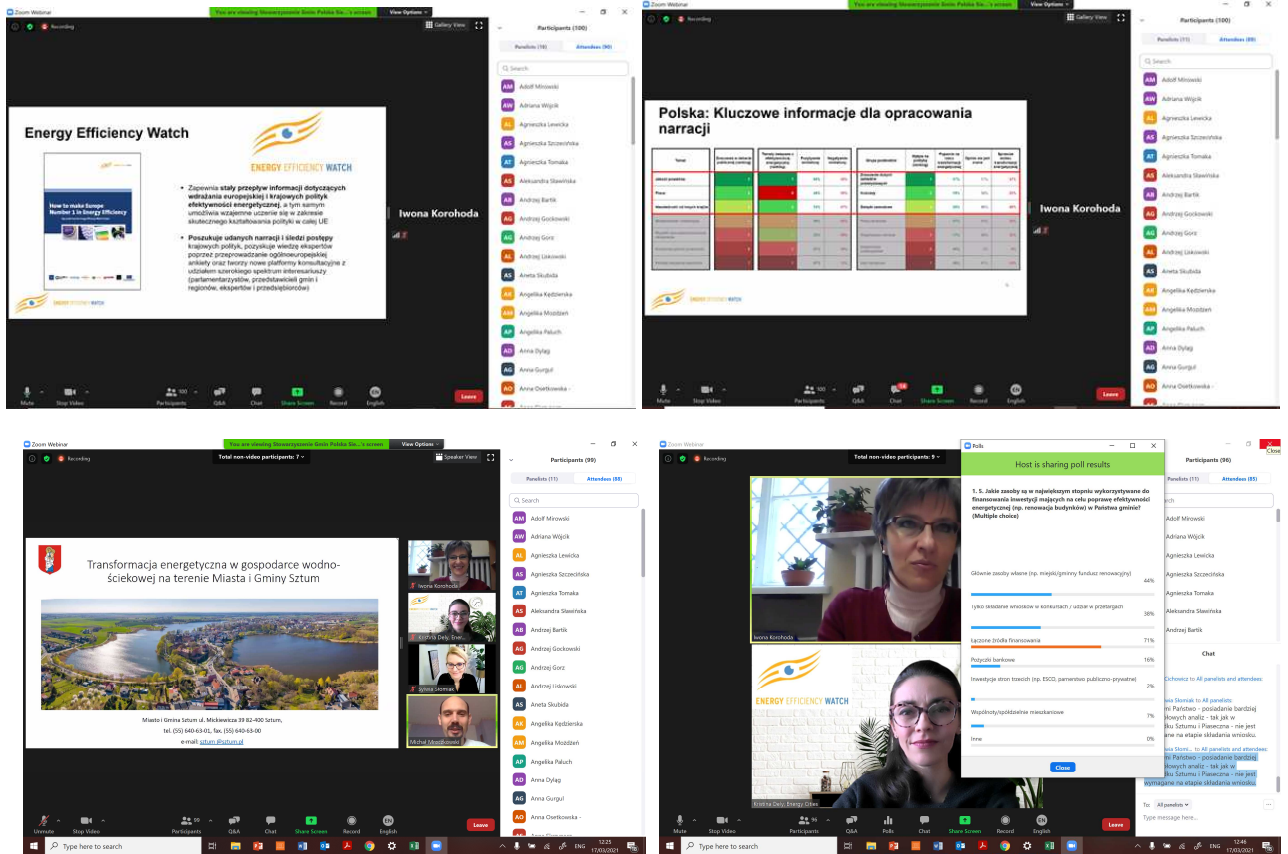
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