



Enefirst Plus updates

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Follow up of ENEFIRST project

8 partners:

- Energy institutes, public authorities
- Research labs and think tanks

From research to implementation

EE1st should become part of stakeholders' practices to **plug EE1st** in the decision-making



Objectives



1

Provide public authorities and other stakeholders with **hands-on resources to implement EE1st**



2

Demonstrate how EE1st can be implemented with **pilot cases in 4 countries**



3

Provide **learning cycles** for knowledge and resources on EE1st



4

Grow a **community of practice**, increase stakeholders' **knowledge and capacities**, and maintain an open forum for practical discussions about EE1st





Implementing EE1st in 3 points:

- 1) How the discussion is framed**
 - ✓ overall approach to consider options to meet energy & climate objectives
- 2) How options are assessed / compared**
 - ✓ using a systemic approach with a scope of analysis beyond energy prices
- 3) How the decision is made & justified**
 - ✓ reversing the burden of proof

enefirst+ 1st pilot cases:



Croatia
(EIHP)

EE1st in **transmission grid planning**



Greece
(CRES)

EE1st in **heating & cooling plan**



Italy
(ENEA)

EE1st in **SECAPs**



Poland
(KAPE)

EE1st through **demand-response among small end-users**

Click on the links to get the factsheets 

Plugging Energy Efficiency First In...



- Energy system planning
- Incentive schemes
- Cost Benefit Analysis methodology



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Needs assessment and compilation of existing resources for the implementation of EE1st

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2nd report: Current practices and existing resources

Current practices and general resources:

- ✓ Results from the stakeholder survey done in 2024
- ✓ Guidance and other general resources at EU level

For the topic of each pilot case:

- ✓ European framework and resources
- ✓ National framework and resources
- ✓ Relevant tools and studies from the literature

Key conclusions:

- ✓ High interest in getting examples
- ✓ Recent resources on EE1st complements the wealth of resources about assessments, planning and decision-making
- ✓ Limitations in stakeholders' capacity and own resources might explain part of the heterogeneity in practices, raising the need for technical and financial support.
- ✓ Analysing current practices can help identify where EE1st can make a difference and bring added value to decision-making

<https://ee1st.eu/>

New resources

Proceedings of workshops

Tool

New EE1st Cost-Benefit Guidance and Excel Tool Now Available

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Planning decision Policy decision

Major investment decision Cost-benefit analysis

Energy Efficiency First

Tool

Bill Explainer + Map of Electricity Tariffs

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Electricity Households Services Industry

Transport European National

Energy Efficiency First Demand-side Flexibility

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Webinar materials – Plugging Energy Efficiency First in SECAPs: Why and How

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Electricity Households Planning decision

Policy decision Poland

Report

Making Informed Decisions – Capturing the EE1st Principle in Cost-Benefit Analysis

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Making Informed Decisions
A Practitioner's Guide to Capturing the EE1st Principle in Cost-Benefit Analysis

New EE1st Cost-Benefit Guidance and Excel Tool Now Available

News

Set of infographics from Plugging Energy Efficiency First in Heating and Cooling Plans: Why and How (Enefirst + Webinar)

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Heat Major investment decision

Cost-benefit analysis European

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Webinar Materials: Plugging Energy Efficiency First in CBA Why and How

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Cost-benefit analysis Regional & Local

Energy Efficiency First Multiple Benefits

Demand-side Flexibility Croatia

+ the pilot case factsheets and more!



Peer-to-peer learning activities

- ✓ Small-group online meetings
- ✓ Focused on specific issues (selected beforehand with the participants)

You or your colleagues may be interested?

→ **Contact us !**



Cross-country experience sharing

- ✓ Public online workshops
- ✓ Experts discussing examples or studies

→ Feel free to **suggest topics or examples !**

And a new set of pilot cases and resources !

enefirst+ 2nd pilot cases:



Croatia
(EIHP)

EE1st in NECP



Greece
(CRES)

EE1st in transport measures



Italy
(ENEA)

EE1st in SECAPs (extended case)



Poland
(KAPE)

EE1st in financial incentives

Plugging Energy Efficiency First In...



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