

EED implementation in Slovakia

Introduction

Energy Efficiency Act No. 321/2014 Coll. in force from 1.12.2014 prepared by Ministry of Economy, in cooperation with Ministry of Transport, Construction and Regional Development of the Slovak Republic as well as with Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency. Various secondary legislation was adopted during 2015 and 2016. Annual Energy Efficiency reports were sent to the Commission in 2015 and 2016. National Energy Efficiency Action Plan for 2017 is already under preparation.

1. Legal context

Energy Efficiency Act No. 321/2014 Coll., in force as of 1 December 2014, has been prepared by Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic, in cooperation with Ministry of Transport, Construction and Regional Development of the Slovak Republic as well as with Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency. It includes amendment of Heating Energy Act No. 657/2004 Coll., Energy Act No. 251/2012 Coll., High Efficient CHP and Renewables Act No. 309/2009 Coll., Act on Regulation in Network Industries 250/2012 Coll. and other acts related to the Energy Efficiency Directive transposition. Various secondary legislations have been adopted during 2015.

2. Status of the implementation

2.1. Legislative provisions

Energy Efficiency Act No. 321/2014 Coll., in force from 1.12.2014, was prepared by the Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic, including amendment of Heating Energy Act No. 657/2004 Coll., Energy Act No. 251/2012 Coll. High Efficient CHP and Renewables Act No. 309/2009 Coll. Act on Regulation in network industries 250/2012 Coll. and other acts related to the directive transposition. Various secondary legislation has been adopted during 2015. All articles of the directive have been transposed in above mentioned acts.

Annual Energy Efficiency Reports in 2014, 2015 and 2016, National Action Plan on Energy Efficiency for the years 2014-2016 with an outlook up to 2020 (3NEEAP) and Strategy for Renovation of the Residential and Non-residential Buildings in the Slovak Republic have been prepared during period of 2014-2016 to fulfil the very challenging requirements of the Energy Efficiency Directive. Complex analysis of potential for CHP and DHC has been also provided to the Commission in February 2016, which includes Cost-benefit analysis of CHP and DHC, as well as an Annual Statistical Reporting for High Efficient CHP. List of energy services as well as the Heating Map are published at the webpage of the Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic (www.mhsr.sk) and regularly updated.

2.2. Non-legislative provisions

One of the important instrument that help fulfil the requirements of the EED (esp. in terms of monitoring, evaluation and planning of energy savings) is the Permanent Interinstitutional Commission for the Preparation of Energy Efficiency Action Plans, established in 2007. It includes representatives of various ministries and other central governmental bodies, as well as organisations responsible for energy savings programmes and measures in Slovakia. Monitoring System of Energy Efficiency, run by Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency, is used for collecting various data necessary for evaluation of energy efficiency and energy savings according to legal obligations. Another important tool for implementing energy savings measures based on various EED obligations are the EU structural and investment funds for the period of 2014-2020. EED has supported a creation of various contacts with industries for enabling the voluntary agreements on energy efficiency.





3. Future activities

National Energy Efficiency Action Plan for 2017 (4NEEAP) is already under preparation to guarantee the deadline of April 2017, as it includes also various reports from EED for specific articles (Art. 5, 8, 16). The year 2016 is set as the year for checking the trajectory of energy savings for 2020 target based on Article 7 obligations. The trajectory checking and possible updates including possible new measures will be included.

4. Relevant information

Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic: <u>www.mhsr.sk</u> Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency: <u>www.siea.sk</u>

