

Project IEE-12-708/SI2.661214-Primes

D6.9 Report twinning activities

Summary

Task 6.9 describes the planned twinning activities which divides into three sub actions:

- Training of regional collaborators
- Training of national twinning partners
- Case studies sent to all twinning partners

The regional collaborators are the organizations receiving task force interventions (listed in schedule 4a). The training and actions are reported in D4.1.

The national twinning partners are described in schedule 6c in Annex1, and below follows reports of the activities, successes and deviations per country. There has been 13 national twinning partners in total.

All twinning partners has received case studies per mail or newsletter. The original plan was to let the twinning partners have access to the intranet section for the project, but as the procurement forum turned out less easy to use than expected, regarding file sharing and organization of files, the consortium reverted to use mail as the main document sharing method. Therefore the twinning partners were never given access to the procurement forum, and received information and documents via mail instead.

The results from the twinning activities shows not only an increased awareness and knowledge of GPP, but also a willingness to develop further GPP projects or collaborations, and aims of incorporating GPP in strategic sustainability processes.

Activities per country

France - Rhônealpe-Énergie-Environnement

Previously AACT (the old name of AAP today) was thought to be the twinning partner who would benefit of trainings. In fact it clearly appeared that they doesn't need any more information about GPP because that's definitively one of the most well informed organisation about this. As said in the AF : "The partners will train their regional collaborators and thereby enable them to subsequently train the staff at public authorities in their own areas. The purpose behind the twinning concept is to ensure efficient replication in organisations which are not covered by the PRIMES project but nevertheless have a strong self-interest in replicating the project activities." That's why we have rather chosen to train staff of RAEE who are experts in their field (renewable energies, energy efficiency, biogas, green electricity, ...) so that they can become some new experts about GPP and convince politicians and municipalities to go ahead on these topics.

Twinning occasion

Place, date	Villeurbanne 28th September 2015
Participants	6 + 1 people, regional level



About twinning partner	Staff of RAEE
Short description on event, topics discussed	Training on GPP, presentation of case studies (green gas, green electricity and vehicles)
Presentation and other material used	Powerpoint. See attachment 1.
Case studies disseminated	Green gas, green electricity and vehicles. See attachment 3
Participants evaluation of meeting	See attachment 2.
Follow up of results	Increase of awareness about GPP

List of documentation

1 – Presentation: Pres-équipe_CMP_2809.pdf

2 – List of participants and evaluation sheet :
RAEE_280915_Emargement_et_questionnaires.pdf

3 - Links on Primes web site of case studies

http://www.primes-eu.net/media/12194495/1-case-study-bba-natural-gaz-1_vulc-4.pdf

http://www.primes-eu.net/media/12194499/revised-5-case-study-electricity_sigerly-1.pdf

http://www.primes-eu.net/media/12194494/revised-4-case-study-veh -sdh_vulc.pdf

Italy – ANCI Liguria and IRE spa

During the life time of the project we decided to share our experience in Primes with all the Agencies of the Italian network. The meeting in Rome represent the closure event of the collaboration that has been developed through informal meeting and exchange of email and phone calls

Place, date	Rome, 21st July 2016
Participants	Agencies of RENAEL
About twinning partner	EALP (Energy Agency of Livorno Province) took part of the meeting together with the other Energy Agencies.
Short description on event, topics discussed	The results of the Primes Project have been described step by step during the life time of project during face to face meeting with the RENAEL agencies, especially with EALP, in order to stimulate the other agencies to develop similar activities in their regions.
Presentation and other material used	PPT presentation
Case studies disseminated	All the case studies on the web site have been disseminated
Decisions at meeting	The agencies were very interested in the Project and in its results. The twinning experience represents a beginning of a future collaboration among



	Energy Agencies on GPP
Participants evaluation of meeting	The meeting has been considered very interesting
Follow up of results (to be completed at the end of project)	The agencies will take in consideration the possibility to develop another project about GPP.

Place, date	18st October 2016 , mail
Participants	EALP (Energy Agency of Livorno Province)
About twinning partner	EALP (Energy Agency of Livorno Province) is in contact with LIG partner thought RENAEL agencies network.
Short description on event, topics discussed	EALP (Energy Agency of Livorno Province) has received all the italian training material and it has been also informed about the results of PRIMES and updated of the additional case studies through a specific report send by mail.
Presentation and other material used	http://www.primes-eu.net/use-our-findings/in-italiano/ http://www.primes-eu.net/use-our-findings/case-studies/
Case studies disseminated	All the additional case studies on the PRIMES web site have been disseminated
Decisions at meeting	-
Participants evaluation of meeting	The materials will be published on EALP website.

List of documentation

1. **Ppt presentation:** PPT_Presentazione 21 luglio_RENAEL.pdf
2. **PRIMES report:** Report_Primes_gemellaggio EALP - IRE.pdf

Latvia – Leif

Three twinning partners were defined during project application development. During project implementation phase cooperation with all 3 twinning partners were excellent, very tight and supportive from all of them. All 3 twinning partners participated almost in all PRIMES activities – starting with national kick off, all 6 trainings organised, Energy days, round table discussions with suppliers, seminars, participation in common stand in exhibition Environment and Energy and participation in PRIMES national final event with presentations and panel discussion. Twinning partner MoEPRD organised GPP work group meetings, as they are responsible form GPP regulatory frame work development at national level, where quite often PRIMES partners were invited to give presentations about planned activities, trainings, GPP calculators, case studies and experience to develop national GPP guidelines. LALRG also invited PRIMES experts to participate in different side events for municipal mayors to explain LCC approach and implemented case studies. PMB participated in all trainings to give support and explain GPP approach if any doubts about possible complains will raise up from suppliers and share experience about implemented GPPs and most often asked questions. All twinning partners helped disseminate information about PRIMES activities and upcoming events publishing it in their websites or distributing via their contacts and networks.



Place, date	Vidzeme 06.11.2015.
Participants	Latvian Environmental Investment Fund, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development, Latvian Association of Local and Regional Governments, Procurement Monitoring Bureau and municipal representatives from Vidzeme region municipalities.
About twinning partner	All 3 twinning partners were involved at the same time, together in the same training sessions.
Short description on event, topics discussed	First Energy day event in region. The first part of event was organised as seminar with presentations and best practice example from region where GPP is already implemented. Ergli municipality presented its implemented School dormitory, which was renovated after passive house principles and green criteria. Deputy State secretary introduced with GPP legislation and planned activities in Latvia. Training session was organised about GPP in transport sector.
Presentation and other material used	Presentations, practical exercises during training course.
Case studies disseminated (name, serial number)	1 case study about passive house building in Latvia, Vidzeme region, but not yet PRIMES case studies.

Place, date	Kurzeme 13.11.2015.
Participants	Latvian Environmental Investment Fund, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development, Latvian Association of Local and Regional Governments, Procurement Monitoring Bureau and municipal representatives from Kurzeme region municipalities.
About twinning partner	All 3 twinning partners were involved at the same time, together in the same training sessions.
Short description on event, topics discussed	Second Energy day event in region. The first part of event was organised as seminar with presentations and best practice example from region where GPP is already implemented. The best practice example was presented by Liepaja municipality, which is one of pilot-municipalities in Latvia and have developed GPP for building renovation with help of PRIMES Task force team. Two training session were organised in Kuldiga, Kurzeme region at the same time as parallel sessions. After training common presentation about results and what was discussed during it was presented for other audience.
Presentation and other material used	Presentations, practical exercises during training course.
Case studies disseminated (name, serial number)	1 case study about energy efficient renovation implementing GPP criteria for higher energy efficiency and better indoor environment, Kurzeme region.

Place, date	Zemgale 20.11.2015.
Participants	Latvian Environmental Investment Fund, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development, Latvian Association of Local and Regional Governments, Procurement Monitoring Bureau and municipal representatives from Zemgale region municipalities.
About twinning partner	All 3 twinning partners were involved at the same time, together in the same training sessions.
Short description on event, topics discussed	Third Energy day event in region. The first part of event was organised as seminar with presentations and best practice example from region where GPP



	is already implemented. Tukums municipality presented its implemented sustainable catering strategy, how they procured catering service for municipal buildings using GPP criteria, organised discussions with potential suppliers etc. Two training session were organised at the same time as parallel sessions. After training common presentation about results and what was discussed during it was presented for other audience.
Presentation and other material used	Presentations, practical exercises during training course.
Case studies disseminated (name, serial number)	1 case study about sustainable catering strategy for municipal buildings (schools, kindergartens, hospitals, etc.) using GPP criteria, Zemgale region.

Place, date	Latgale 27.11.2015.
Participants	Latvian Environmental Investment Fund, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development, Latvian Association of Local and Regional Governments, Procurement Monitoring Bureau and municipal representatives from Latgale region municipalities.
About twinning partner	All 3 twinning partners were involved at the same time, together in the same training sessions.
Short description on event, topics discussed	Fourth Energy day event in region. The first part of event was organised as seminar with presentations and experience sharing between municipalities about barriers and solutions. Two training session were organised at the same time as parallel sessions. After training common presentation about results and what was discussed during it was presented for other audience.
Presentation and other material used	Presentations, practical exercises during training course.
Case studies disseminated (name, serial number)	1 case study about energy efficient LED street lighting in Preiļi municipality using GPP criteria, Latgale region.

Place, date	Central region 04.12.2015.
Participants	Latvian Environmental Investment Fund, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development, Latvian Association of Local and Regional Governments, Procurement Monitoring Bureau and municipal representatives from Central region and other region municipalities.
About twinning partner	All 3 twinning partners were involved at the same time, together in the same training sessions.
Short description on event, topics discussed	Fifth Energy day event in central region. The first part of event was organised as seminar with presentations and best practice example from Carnikava municipality was presented, where GPP is applied for school renovation integrating RES technologies. Two training session were organised at the same time regarding GPP in construction sector, which were most visited in all regions and second about green electricity procurement. After training common presentation about results and what was discussed during it was presented for other audience.
Presentation and other material used	Presentations, practical exercises during training course.
Case studies disseminated (name, serial number)	1 case study about school building renovation and rebuilding integrating renewable energy technologies using GPP criteria, Carnikava municipality.



Decisions at meeting	<p>It's better to work on real case and ask municipalities what exactly they plan procure in next period and develop criteria in groups for real cases not show general examples. As well between training staff is important to have procurement specialist or lawyer, who maybe are not expert about green criteria, because task force team is, but know very well procurement law and procedure. Otherwise could be not very comfortable situation, when trainer suggests some criteria which are not in line with local laws or rules.</p> <p>As well construction procurements are one of the most difficult, but at the same time most interesting ones.</p>
Participants evaluation of meeting	Yes, questionnaires were distributed and collected
Follow up of results (to be completed at the end of project)	<p>See attached files (also reported in D6.6 and D6.8).</p> <p>The follow up was made during PRIMES national final event in Riga in October 19, where different participants form municipalities (in total 34 municipalities were represented from 119) supplier associations, experts, policy makers and state companies as well. All case studies were presented and municipalities gave presentations about their implemented GPP, problems, barriers, benefits and solutions. For project result sustainability video about GPP where Latvian municipalities' mayors are explaining their opinion, why GPP is important and why they are implementing in in their municipalities and suggest to others to do the same. Different cases are described in video – building renovation, biomass etc.</p>

List of documentation

1. Event agenda

- a. D6.8. M26_Latvia_Agenda_Energy days Cesis_2015-11-06.pdf
- b. D6.8. M26_Latvia_Agenda_Energy days_Kuldiga_13_11_2015.pdf
- c. D6.8. M26_Latvia_Agenda_Energy days Jelgava_2015-11-20.pdf
- d. D6.8. M26_Latvia_Agenda_Energy days_Rezekne_27_11_2015.pdf
- e. D6.8. M27_Latvia_Agenda_Energy days_Riga_04_12_2015.pdf

2. Presentations;

- a. D6.8. M26_Latvia_PP_2EnergyDays_training_11_122015.pdf
- b. D6.8. M26_Latvia_PP_3EnergyDays_training_6112015.pdf
- c. D6.8. M26_Latvia_PP_4EnergyDays_11_122015.pdf
- d. D6.8. M26_Latvia_PP_5EnergyDays_Primes_2015.pdf

3. Participant list;

- a. D6.8. M26_Latvia_Participant sheet_ Energy days Cesis_2015-11-06.pdf
- b. D6.8. M26_Latvia_Participant sheet_ Energy days-Kuldiga_2015-11-13.pdf
- c. D6.8. M26_Latvia_Participant sheet_ Energy days -Jelgava_2015-11-20.pdf
- d. D6.8. M26_Latvia_Participant sheet_ Energy days Rezekne_2015-11-27.pdf
- e. D6.8. M27_Latvia_Participant sheet_ Energy days_Riga_2015-12-04.pdf

4. Training materials;

- a. D6.8._M17_Latvia_PP Training_ADZ_240315
- b. D6.8._M17_Latvia_PP Training_JS_240315
- c. D6.8._M17_Latvia_PP Training_ZR_240315
- d. D6.8._M17_Latvia_PP Training_ZS_240315
- e. Artis Dzirkalis 201115_ GPP construction



5. Event/training evaluation forms, questionnaire after common trainings with twinning partners.

Training PRIMES EF_240315 (in attached file)

6. Press release in LEIFs and Ministries websites.

http://lvif.gov.lv/?object_id=33387

http://lvif.gov.lv/?object_id=33389

http://lvif.gov.lv/?object_id=33391

http://lvif.gov.lv/?object_id=33401

7. Agreement on twinning activities and partnership

- a. Agreement_MPB
- b. Agreement_LALRG
- c. Agreement_MoEPRD

Denmark – Holbaek municipality, ECNet and ZEA

Original twinning partner was the southern region of Denmark: Their response has been sparse, however they are interested in knowledge exchange in relation to street lighting. Instead, ZEA has put its main focus on twinning activities with the capital region.

Place, date	Zealand, Denmark
Participants	Copenhagen Electric, Gate21, EU office representing the Northern Region of Denmark, Kolding Municipality representing the Southern Region of Denmark, House of Energy, representing the northern region of Denmark
About twinning partner	ZEA arranged twinning activities with House of Energy, representing the Northern Region of Denmark.
Short description on event, topics discussed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Knowledge exchange on EV's with the capital region, including Copenhagen Electric October, 2015. - Meeting with Gate21, capital region – knowledge exchange between PRIMES and Cleantech Tipp, March, 2015. - CoM-workshop, October 2016: knowledge exchange and Dissemination of all PRIMES case studies to the Danish regions. Knowledge exchange and dissemination of case studies to House of Energy, October, 2016
Presentation and other material used	Dissemination of all PRIMES case studies to Gate21, Capital Region Dissemination of all PRIMES case studies, however with a particular focus on the BVE-case study to Planmiljø – reach all regions in Denmark Dissemination of all PRIMES case studies – reach all regions in Denmark Disseminate to KL – reach all regions in Denmark Dissemination of all PRIMES case studies to Rejsehold for grønne indkøb – reach all regions in Denmark Dissemination of all case studies to the Central Region of Denmark



Case studies disseminated	26 case studies.
Decisions at meeting	Knowledge exchange between Region Zealand and the Capital Region
Participants evaluation of meeting	Evaluation of training methods, teachings methods and skills
Follow up of results	

List of documentation

1. Event on EVs, 06.10.15: two presentations
 - a. Praktiske erfaringer med elbiler_primes.pdf
 - b. Indkøbsmål_primes.pdf
2. Participants Evaluation of EV event, 06.10.15
3. Knowledge exchange meeting with Gate 21, Capital Region, 04.03.15:
 - a. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A29.5
 - b. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A42
4. CoM-workshop (will take place October 26th-27th 2016). Invitation: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B1CsoXgEaVYVTEVHM1c4WWx0SUU/view>
 - a. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A51
 - b. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A52
5. Knowledge exchange meeting with House of Energy, Northern region of Denmark, 27th of October 2016:
 - a. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A53
6. Dissemination of all case studies to Gate21, Capital Region:
 - a. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A10.4
7. Dissemination of all case studies to Planmiljø, however with a particular focus on the BVE case. This case study was disseminated through Planmiljø's newsletter: <http://sekretariatforgrnneindkb.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/d/FC6D804D670AC0BA/EC648ABDE431342CD9767B6002735221>
8. Dissemination of all PRIMES case studies to KL – reach all regions in Denmark:
 - a. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A38
9. Dissemination of all PRIMES case studies to Rejsehold for grønne indkøb – reach all regions in Denmark:
 - a. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A49
 - b. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A50
10. Dissemination of all case studies to the central region of Denmark (Region Midt):
 - a. d6.7_Denmark_national_dissemination_plan_M19_A10.5

Sweden – ESS and KRONO

The Swedish twinning partner listed in Schedule 6c is Kalmar County, which we reached through the climate network (Klimatsamverkan Kalmar) where municipalities from the region meet together with the Kalmar County board, Kalmar Region and the Energy Agency for Southeast Sweden (ESS) in order to cooperate and strengthen the energy and climate work in the region.

In schedule 6c we specified two twinning occasions but in total there has been 7 twinning occasions with Kalmar. An additional 20 twinning events has taken place in the scope of the TFIs arranged, as described below and reported in D4.1.



In order to meet the needs and provide information tailored to the already high level of knowledge, the Swedish taskforce held TFI for several actors at the same time. By doing so that it became possible to invite experts, consultants, other municipalities, authorities, suppliers, etc. In total the TFI interventions shifted from personal trainings/information on GPP, to phone/web meetings, webinars, seminars and workshops with invited experts and knowledge exchange between key actors – and they included training modules, exchange of experiences, practical information about how GPP criteria may be used, tools and support, etc. The approach led to participation of a larger number of municipalities that originally foreseen, benefiting from the actions within the scope of PRIMES. As this is the case, the actions of WP4 and WP6 are entwined, as the seminars are both TFI interventions regarding the original municipalities, and twinning/dissemination/replication regarding the additional municipalities.

Place, date	Kalmar 140304, 140611, 141007, 150128, 150224, 150416, 160202.
Participants	Klimatsamverkan Kalmar län (between 15-40 participants in the events)
About twinning partner	The twinning partner listed in Schedule 6c is Kalmar county, which we reach through the climate network (Klimatsamverkan) where municipalities from the region meet together with the Kalmar County board and Kalmar Region.
Short description on event, topics discussed	The areas where support were discussed were mainly within lighting, vehicles and IT, though other topics also were discussed, like legislation, good practises, information about the common GPP (SPP) criteria's used to day, based on The National Agency for Public Procurements criteria library as well as PRIMES findings and actions and BuySmart+ information.
Presentation and other material used	See attachment 1a-g.
Case studies disseminated	All the published case studies has been sent out to all participants in Klimatsamverkan, as well as links to the training material and a summary of the PRIMES findings. See attachment 2.
Follow up of results	The interest for the support PRIMES supplied has been high, and the municipalities now know where to ask for help in future green procurements. The twinning partner aims to incorporate GPP in a systematic sustainability process.

List of documentation

1. Compilation of summary, invitations, participant lists, meeting notes, etcetera
 - a. 140304 Kalmar twinning compilation.pdf
 - b. 140611 Kalmar twinning compilation.pdf
 - c. 141007 Kalmar twinning compilation.pdf
 - d. 150128 Kalmar twinning compilation.pdf
 - e. 150224 Kalmar twinning compilation.pdf
 - f. 150416 Kalmar twinning compilation.pdf
 - g. 160202 Kalmar twinning compilation.pdf
2. Mail to the twinning partner disseminating case studies and findings:
161010 Hållbar upphandling CS to twinning partner ESS.pdf

Croatia – REA North and UNDP Croatia



The Croatian twinning partners changed from the ones listed in 6c as more suitable partners for twinning were found during the course of the project. One of those partners is North-West Croatia Regional Energy Agency (REGEA) and the other is Medjimurje Energy agency. With each twinning partner one meeting was held where case studies and training materials from the Primes project were presented. The meetings had 16 participants and through presentations all the TF interventions in Croatia were explained in detail.

List of documentation

1. Report on twinning activities: D6.9 Twinning meeting - REGEA_20160511
2. Report on twinning activities: D6.9 Twinning meeting - MENEА_20160510
3. Copy of email promoting case studies and material: Završetak projekta Primes
4. Presentation: Twinning Primes - REGEA_20160511.pdf
5. Presentation: Twinning Primes - MENEА_20160510.pdf
6. Attendance sheet: Attendance sheet twinning_MENEА_20160510.pdf
7. Attendance sheet: Attendance sheet twinning_REGEA_20160511.pdf

