



ener2i

ENERgy Research to Innovation

Reinforcing cooperation with European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) countries on bridging the gap between energy research and energy innovation

<http://www.ener2i.eu/>





ener2i – project mission

- Improve knowledge transfer and innovation support in the field of renewable energies (RES) and energy efficiency (EE)
- Stimulate linkages between research and innovation with effective knowledge transfer methods (brokerages, etc.)
- Establish sustainable cooperation between research and innovation actors across EU and ENP countries
- Address EE and RES in the business sector, improving the innovation performance of business in EE/RES



ener2i – basic facts

- **Project Coordinator** – Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI), Vienna, Austria
- **Duration** – 36 Months, October 2013-September 2016
- **Kick-off meeting** – 14-15 October 2013, Vienna, Austria
- **EaP target countries** – Armenia, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova
- **EU partners** – Austria, Hungary, Germany; (and Netherlands, Norway and others through eseia network)





ener2i – basic facts

- Implemented by a consortium of 11 partners, including:
 - research organisations in the energy and innovation fields,
 - innovation funding agencies,
 - service providers, and
 - SME support agencies
- **Project Budget** – around € 1 million, supported in the EU's 7th Framework Programme for RTD (FP7)





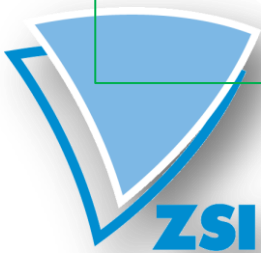
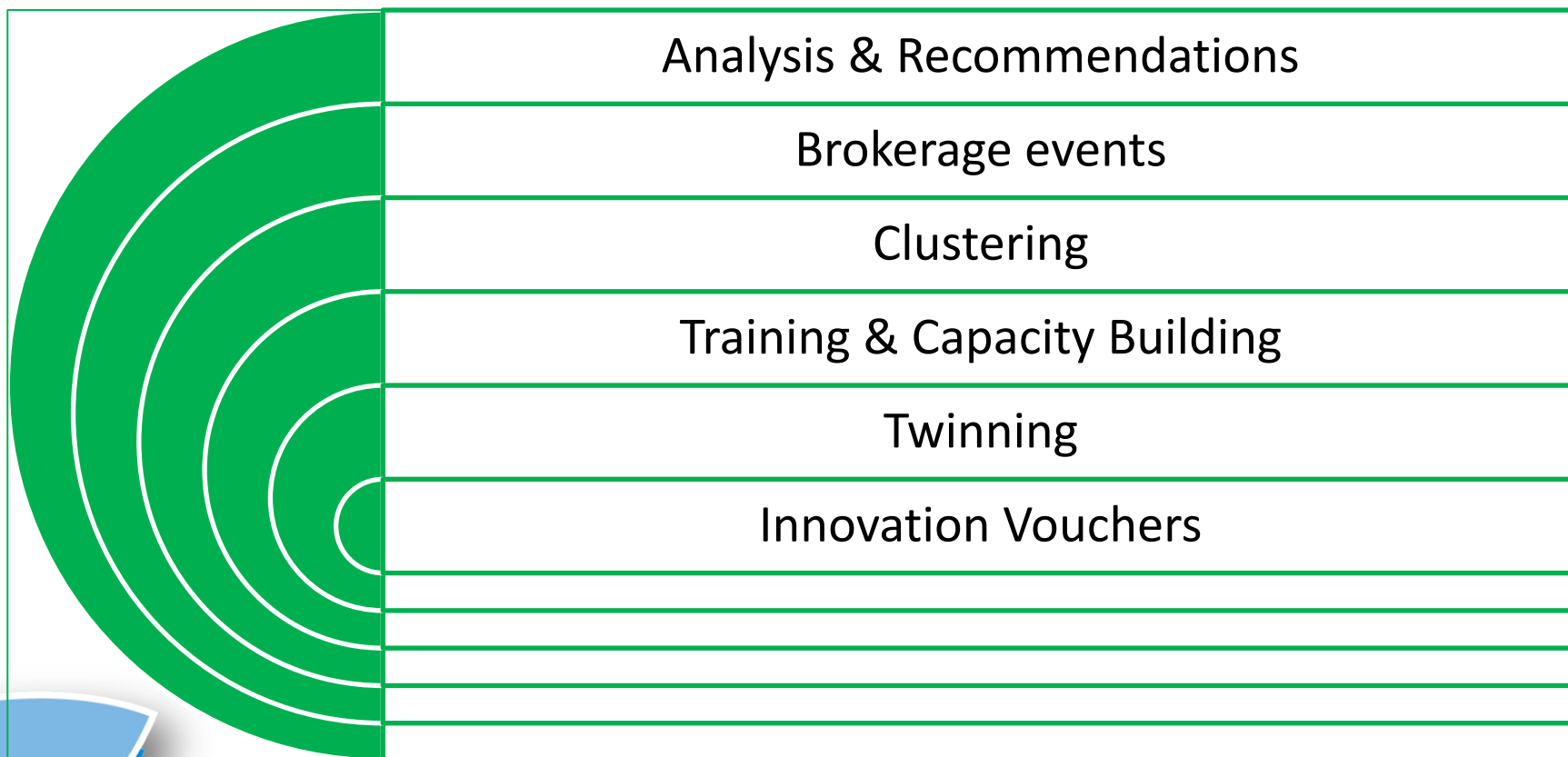
ener2i project partners

- Centre for Social Innovation – ZSI, Austria
- Regional Centre for Information and Scientific Development - RCISD, Hungary
- European Sustainable Energy Innovation Alliance - eseia, Austria
- Belarusian Institute of Systems Analysis and Information Support - BelISA, Belarus
- National Academy of Sciences – NAS-RA, Armenia
- Agency for Innovation and Technology Transfer - AITT, Moldova
- Technology Transfer Association - TTA, Armenia
- Belarusian Innovation Fund - BIF, Belarus
- Union “Energy Efficiency Center Georgia” – EEC, Georgia
- energy engineers - ee, Germany
- Organization for Small and Medium Enterprises Sector Development - ODIMM, Moldova





Main project activities





Ener2i country reports

- Draft country reports on EE/RES in AM, BY, GE, MD prepared,
- Discussed at local expert workshops organised in 2014:
BY 19 March,
GE 27 March,
MD 4 April,
AM 11 June





Ener2i brokerage events

- **ener2i EU brokerage event: Brussels, 23 June 2014**
during EU Sustainable Energy Week – 10 travel grants à €600 allocated to EaP experts, IncoNet EaP cooperates
- ener2i Local brokerages & trainings in EaP countries
Belarus: 14-17 October 2014, linked to Energy Expo in Minsk (<http://tc.by/exhibitions/energyexpo2014/>)
Moldova: 10-12 December 2014, linked to Top Innovation event in Chisinau



Ener2i Twinning

- **EaP-EU 3 day study visits:**
 - 3 GE experts to Univ. Twente, NL, Conference: Smart and Green Transitions in Cities and Regions, 23-25 April 2014
 - eseia summer school SUSTAINABLE SMART METROPOLITAN REGIONS OF TOMORROW, Brasov, RO, 14-27 July 2014 – 1 expert from MD and GE each
- **EU-EaP 3 day study visits:**
 - ZSI – BelISA, BIF (AT-BY), 18-21 March 2014, 1 expert
 - ee – NAS-RA, TTA (DE-AM), 10-12 June 2014, 2 experts





Ener2i Innovation Vouchers

- 24 innovation vouchers of €4,000 each, 6 vouchers per each EaP country (AM, BY, GE, MD)
- allocated to SMEs, including start-ups, in the EaP countries as a result of a merit-based competition
- Bring businesses and research organisations in direct contact – SME will have to cooperate with research organisation





Ener2i Innovation Vouchers

- **Innovation Voucher – Belarus**

http://www.ener2i.eu/innovation_vouchers/belarus

competition launch: 19 May 2014

submission deadline: 20 August 2014

award ceremony: 14-17 October, at ener2i brokerage

- **Innovation Voucher Moldova**

competition launch: 10 December 2014 (indicative)



ener2i Innovation Vouchers

- Candidates apply for vouchers by submitting a EE / RES problem to be solved with research support
 - Consortium description (SME & research partner) (1/2 page)
 - Problem description, innovative idea and solution (1 pages)
 - Implementation and financial plan on voucher usage (1 1/2 pages)
- Evaluation of proposals by a jury composed of experts from the EU and local partners (4+2)
- IV award ceremony at ener2i brokerage & training events in each EaP country





Other R2I & INCO-Net EaP projects

- **No-Gap** - <http://www.no-gap.eu/> - energy, started in Sep. 2013, target countries: BY, GE, UA
- **InnoverEast** – energy, started in June 2014, target countries: AM, AZ, BY, GE, UA
- **RERAM** – forest, woodworking sector, biomass, started in June 2014, target countries: AM, AZ, GE, MD, UA
- **INCO-Net EaP**





THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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