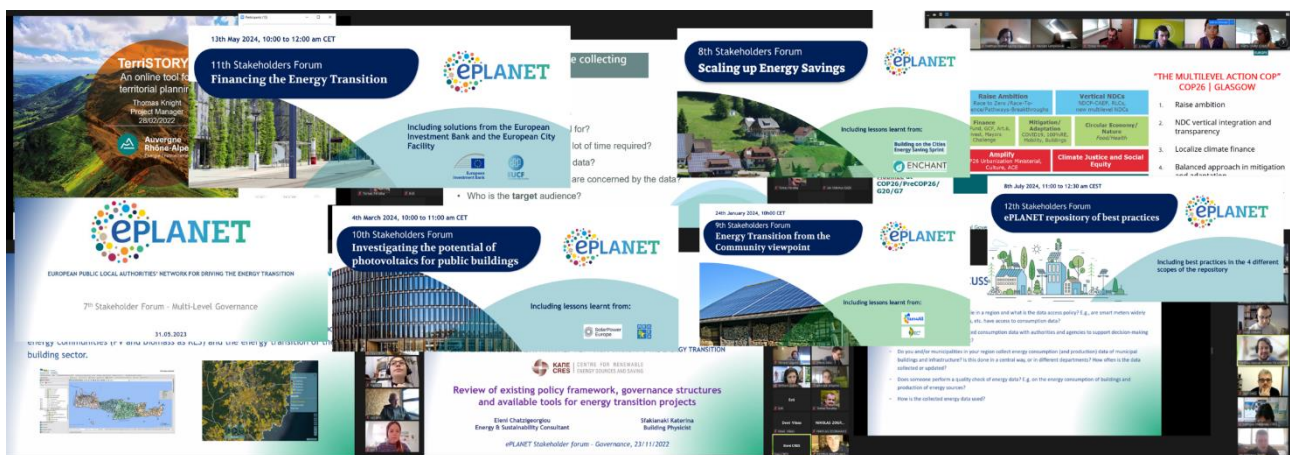


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Building a community – Conclusions from ePLANET Stakeholders Forums

Be inspired by ePLANET's approach to community building!



Why creating Stakeholders Forums?

One of ePLANET project objective was to create a transparent and coherent harmonised information-sharing platform and a database of energy transition plans which includes best practices and indicators of energy transition measures. In addition to the creation of the platform, another aim was to develop a collaborative framework for the development and updating of Energy Transition plans.

While the consortium included the necessary expertise to develop the proposed tools and activities, ePLANET approach was to take into consideration best practices and opinions from other experts working in the energy transition governance and digitalization of measures and actions. Stakeholders Forums had the objective to reach a continuous engagement of key stakeholders to gather their feedback on the different tasks of the project and more particularly on the development of the platform.





What exactly are we talking about?

The Stakeholders Forums were organised as a series of 12 online meetings taking place between February 2022 and July 2024.

The initial sessions are intended to increase the capacity of the consortium partners to successfully establish and develop the ePLANET tools. During these initial sessions, some experts and key actors on energy transition digitalization, harmonization and governance have provided the consortium with their interesting feedback, best practices and insights on the subject. Progressively, the forums also fulfilled the objective of sharing our own achievements and best practices to potential users and beneficiaries.

The forums tackled a wide variety of topics and some were recorded. Don't hesitate to watch them if you missed them, it will give you a taste of it's like to be part of the ePLANET community!



TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION



- What kind of data can be available in a region and what is the data access policy? E.g., are smart meters widely used, and do regional authorities, etc. have access to consumption data?
- Do grid operators share aggregated consumption data with authorities and agencies to support decision-making processes or policy development?
- Do you and/or municipalities in your region collect energy consumption (and production) data of municipal buildings and infrastructure? Is this done in a central way, or in different departments? How often is the data collected or updated?
- Does someone perform a quality check of energy data? E.g. on the energy consumption of buildings and production of energy sources?
- How is the collected energy data used?

Participants in the video conference:

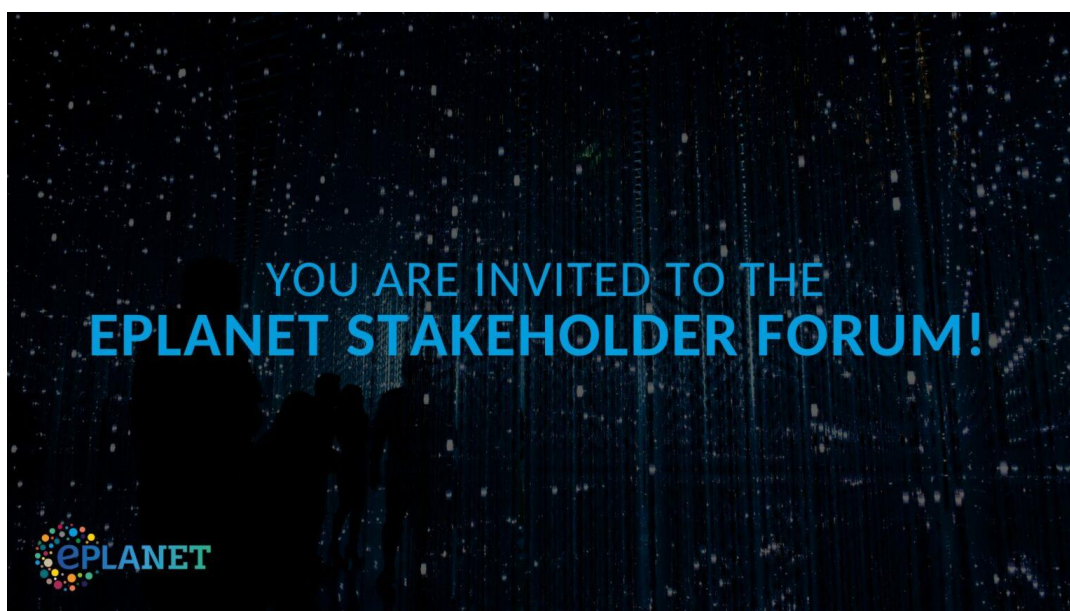
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- SF1 – Data visualization tools to support multi-level governance, maximize impact and engage citizens – The example of TerriStory
- SF2 – Data visualization tools to support multi-level governance, maximize impact and engage citizens – The example of EnergeeWatch
- SF3 – From multilevel governance to multilevel climate action
- SF4 – ePLANET platform Use Cases
- SF5 – A regional perspective on data collection and supporting data treatment
- SF6 – Data integration and configuration of SECAPs
- SF7 – Multilevel governance from a regional perspective
- [SF8 – Scaling-up energy savings](#)
- [SF9 – Energy transition from the community point of view](#)
- [SF10 – Investigating the PV potential of public buildings](#)
- [SF11 – Financing the energy transition](#)
- [SF12 – Best practices from ePLANET repository](#)

How we did achieve our objectives?

To reach our objective we mobilised ePLANET consortium networks to select and invite key experts and sister-projects or initiatives working in the energy transition governance and digitalization energy data.

We also took advantage of our consortium contacts to send targeted invitations to people working in the same field and who might be interested in ePLANET project developments. Progressively, through a snowball effect, the first participants invited other interested organisations and experts from their own network. This is how the ePLANET community expanded.



This philosophy, which consist of drawing inspiration from others, their experiences and their best practices in order to develop new successful projects was not restricted to the Stakeholders Forum. It was also reflected in our final event where we invited sister-projects to give their perspective on multilevel governance, energy data digitalization and citizen engagement. Read our dedicated [article](#) to know more.



Join the ePLANET community, sign our Joint Agreement!

In the face of escalating climate change, depleting natural resources, and increasing energy demands, the need for a sustainable and resilient energy system has never been more urgent. We invite you to confirm or reaffirm your commitments by signing our Joint Agreement. This Agreement is a collective commitment to transition towards a clean, efficient, and inclusive energy future. It outlines our shared vision, principles, and priorities to ensure a sustainable future for all. More information on the joint agreement [here](#).

ePLANET project

The project started in September 2021 and will last for 3 years. The consortium is composed of 10 partners from 6 countries (Catalonia, Czech Republic, Greece, Germany, Belgium and France).



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