



Rural areas in the energy transition

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Good Practice Webinar
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Why are we here?

- ▶ To enable exchanges and learning from local experiences and initiatives
- ▶ To build the capacity of participants to design, plan and deliver effective high-quality projects responding to the rural needs;
- ▶ To learn from implementing SECAPs in rural areas and identify the needs for support;
- ▶ To encourage and mobilise Rural Pact community members to make a commitment and/or to undertake actions linked with energy transition in their specific context.

Our event today...



- ▶ Good Practice Webinar
 - so please contribute actively!
- ▶ Theme in the **core** of EU policies
- ▶ Significant interest: over 110 registrations from 22 countries (EU and not EU)
- ▶ Collaboration with the Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy - Europe



Registration: frequently mentioned themes

- ▶ energy communities
- ▶ Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans (SECAPs)
- ▶ energy poverty
- ▶ production of renewable energy from agriculture and forestry
- ▶ role of local and regional governments and civil society

Our agenda today



9:15 – 9:45

Opening Plenary: EU initiatives to foster energy transition in rural areas:

- Veronika Madner, DG AGRI
- Liviu Ion Stochita, DG ENER
- Andrea Carosi, CoM
- Pouyan Maleki, RECAH



9:45 – 10:45

Learning from inspirational projects and practices

- Gerard Keena, Mullingar SEC (IE)
 - Giulia Mazzi, Biodistretto (IT)
 - Julien Denis (FR) and Myrto Skouroupathi (CY)
- Panel discussion (with Thomas Schwab, Chris Vrettos)



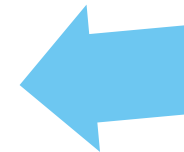
11:00 – 12:00

Working Groups:

1. Building and implementing REC
2. Implementing SECAPs in rural areas & needs for support
3. Driving positive change in energy Poverty



12:15 – 13:00
Reporting back
Final discussion
Closing remarks



Continue to share and exchange!



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