



ener2i ENErgy Research to Innovation

Reinforcing cooperation with Eastern Partnership (EaP) countries on bridging the gap between energy research and energy innovation

http://www.ener2i.eu/







ener2i – basic facts

- > Project Coordinator Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI), Vienna, Austria
- > Duration 36 Months, October 2013-September 2016
- > 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







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





Main project activities







Preliminary Results of ener2i







ener2i EE/RES country reports (I)

• Country reports on EE/RES in AM, BY, GE, MD published,









ener2i EE/RES country reports (II)

- 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 EU brokerages

> ener2i EU brokerage event: Brussels, 23 June 2014

during EU Sustainable Energy Week, 41 participants from 15
countries, including AM, AZ, BY, GE, MD, UA
10 travel grants à €600 allocated to EaP experts, IncoNet EaP
participates with another 6 travel grants for EaP experts

> ener2i EU brokerage event: Brussels, 2 December 2014 for preparation of H2020 and COST proposals with energy relevance; 30 participants from 14 countries





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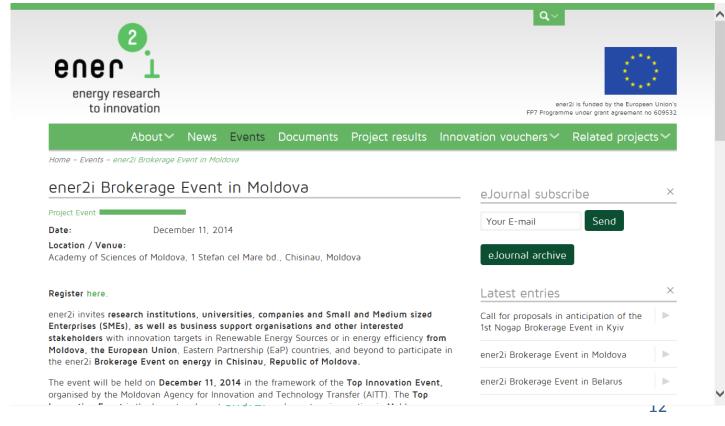
> Belarus: 14-15 October 2014, linked to Energy Expo in Minsk: <u>http://tc.by/exhibitions/energyexpo2014/</u> 48 participants from 8 countries, with participation of Innover-East project;







> Moldova: 10-11 December 2014, linked to Top Innovation event in Chisinau >><u>http://ener2i.eu/object/event/29</u> with participation of RERAM project









R2I cluster

> ENER2I is one project of a cluster of EU funded projects supporting the link between research and innovation in Eastern Partnership Countries, and with EU partners. http://ener2i.eu/related_projects/r2i_cluster_east







ener2i Innovation Vouchers (I)

Innovation Voucher Competition (IVC)

Bring businesses and research organisations in direct contact; allocated to SMEs, including start-ups, in the EaP countries as a result of a merit-based competition



>Innovation Vouchers - Belarus http://www.ener2i.eu/innovation vouchers/belarus competition May-August 2014, award ceremony: 14 October, at ener2i brokerage 4 projects à €4,000 awarded





ener2i Innovation Vouchers (II)

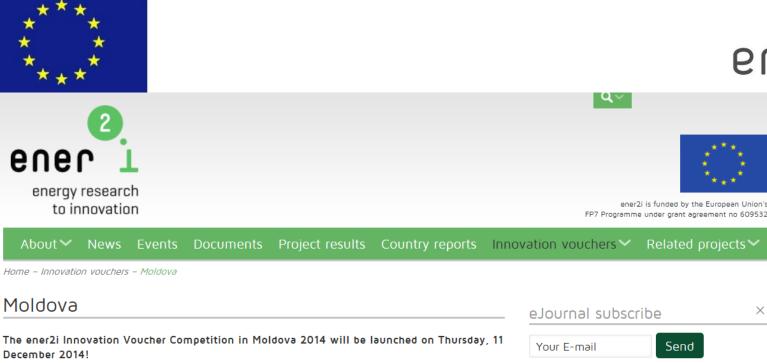
> Innovation Voucher - Moldova

competition launch: 11 December 2014
<u>http://ener2i.eu/innovation_vouchers/moldova</u>
11 Vouchers à € 4,000 available (6 financed by ener2i &
5 financed by CEI/ADA)

- > Additional Grant from Central European Initivative / Austrian Development Agency of about € 50,000 for
 - 5 Innovation Vouchers in Moldova
 - Study Visit of Moldovan colleagues to Austria
 - recording of energy and innovation seminar







A launch and information session will take place during the ener2i brokerage event in Chisinau, on that same 11 December 2014.

The EU FP7 funded project **ener2i** (www.ener2i.eu) together with support of CEI – KEP AUSTRIA with funding of the Austrian Development Cooperation invites **Moldovan Small and Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs)** with **energy related innovation targets** in **Renewable Energy Sources (RES)** or with the **aim to improve their energy efficiency (EE) performance** to participate in the ener2i Innovation Voucher Competition – Moldova.

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[1] SME – definition: The category of micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) is made up of enterprises which employ fewer than 250 persons and which have an annual turnover not exceeding 50 million euro, and/or an annual balance sheet total not exceeding 43 million euro.

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