



# Inventories of the energy poverty to support clean air policies in the Eastern European countries

The **InventAir project** will bring together energy and climate experts and practitioners to dive into the cross-cutting issues of energy poverty and clean air policies in the Eastern European countries (EEC) and explore the multiple environmental and climate impacts of the poor domestic heating practices on the air pollution in these communities.

## The project will focus on the following themes:



**Engage**  
*local and national authorities*

*The InventAir project will engage two cities in Bulgaria and Slovenia to elaborate evidence-based, structured woodstove exchange roadmaps as effective policy instruments that adequately support the local policies for reducing polluting emissions and alleviating energy poverty.*



**Develop**  
*knowledge and expertise*

*Within the InventAir project German and Eastern European experts will develop a methodological framework for mapping energy poverty and assessing its multiple environmental and climate impacts which will support a long range of strategic documents, incl. SECAPs.*



**Transfer**  
*knowledge and capacity*

*Through extensive transfer of the German experience, the InventAir project will increase the knowledge and capacity of Eastern European energy and climate experts and practitioners to design and implement joint policies on energy poverty and air pollution.*



**Trigger**  
*expert and policy debate*

*The InventAir project will trigger expert and policy debate on the scope of energy poverty and its impacts so that the EU-wide targets and objectives for rapid mitigation of energy poverty and stronger enforcement of clean air policies are met on local and national level in the EEC.*

## About the InventAir project

The InventAir project aims to explore the multiple environmental and climate impacts of energy poverty by focusing on the development and implementation of energy poverty and clean air policies in the Eastern European countries (EEC). Although the energy poverty theme is rapidly spreading over the EU, it has distinct specificities in EEC: low-income households cannot afford to change the old inefficient heating equipment or replace the poor quality heating fuels which makes them a major seasonal source of air pollution. The lack of precise data on the scope and essence of the energy poverty makes the estimation of its environmental, climate and health impacts difficult. The InventAir project will address the problem by developing a methodological framework for making an inventory of the energy poverty through co-creation between German and EEC experts and will promote the long term energy planning through developing woodstove exchange roadmaps as effective policy tools to abate the energy poverty and reduce pollutant emissions across the EU.

## Our ultimate aim

In the long term the InventAir project will help shape local, national and EU policies and actions for tackling energy poverty and air pollution by bringing forwards and raising the public awareness on the link between the inefficient heating practices among energy poor households and the rapid air pollution in their communities.

## The InventAir Team



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