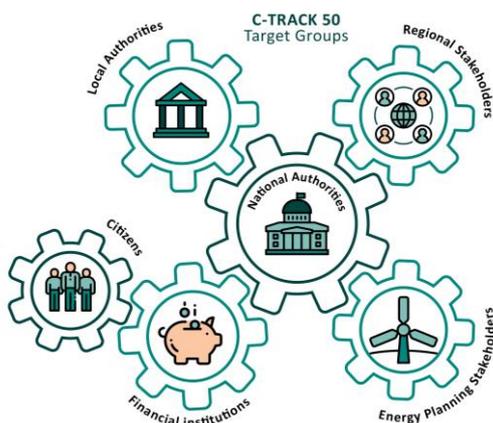


C-Track 50, an EU funded project under the Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation Programme, aims to mobilise and support local and regional authorities in energy and climate planning in order to achieve climate resilience and carbon neutrality by 2050.

The project is implemented in 11 EU countries, namely: Austria, Croatia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Poland, Portugal, Romania and Spain



C-Track 50 addresses two key challenges: the lack of multi-level collaboration in integrated energy and climate policy planning and the limited experience across Europe in long-term planning at all governing levels.

Overall, C-Track 50 will contribute considerably to the 2030 and 2050 EU energy and climate targets by promoting multi-level governance, supporting public authorities in defining long-term energy policy priorities and facilitating local and regional energy planning.

### C-Track 50 at the EUSEW 2019

C-Track 50 co-organised, within the framework of the EU Sustainable Energy Week 2019, the Conference session “Local authorities as drivers to address climate change” on Wednesday 19 June 2019. Mr. Patrick Biard, leading the project work on multi-level governance, presented the related outcomes, stressing the importance of having a shared vision and ensuring political commitment at all levels for multi-level governance to be effective and successful. [More](#)



### IMEAS and C-Track 50 joint side event of EUSEW 2019

C-Track 50 co-organised with [IMEAS](#) the “Connecting the unconnected” EUSEW side event on 19<sup>th</sup> of June in Brussels. Both projects investigate the linkage between the upper governance levels and the lower ones and address multi-level governance as a means to incorporate EU-energy policy and climate targets at the national, regional and/or local level. [More](#)



### Spain, 3<sup>rd</sup> Project Meeting of C-Track 50

The 3<sup>rd</sup> project meeting of C-Track 50 was realised in Oviedo, Spain, on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of February. The partners exchanged on the project progress, achieved outcomes at a country level, and planning of further work. Also, a capacity building activity was organised on the second day, about sustainable energy planning, where partners exchanged best practices and experiences. [More](#)



## Multi-level governance: an essential part of the strategy to achieve climate-neutrality

On 24<sup>th</sup> of February, Freiburg's citizens in Germany, voted in favor of building a new eco-district called Dietenbach. This site will include 6,500 apartments, schools, local businesses and services, with 60 hectares to become open and green spaces. This city is politically and practically responding to global and local challenges alike in an adequate manner. The climate neutral district will be the first of its kind in Freiburg and the first to be built at this scale in Germany. [More](#)

## C-Track 50 presented at the International Conference on Climate Action (ICCA2019)

[ICCA2019](#) convened in Heidelberg (Germany) on 22-23 May. The event highlighted the importance of “collaborative climate action,” meaning action that includes communication, coordination and cooperation across government levels, sectors, and stakeholder groups.



C-Track 50 was presented by ICLEI, alongside presentations from other existing and new projects and initiatives on collaborative climate action.

Through its sessions and outcomes, the conference made clear the crucial importance of having framework conditions that allow cities and municipalities to exercise their role as players in the field of climate action and sustainable development.

Such framework conditions range from access to expertise, to financial resources, to regulatory conditions. [More](#)

## C-Track 50 formulated recommendations regarding energy policy and climate priorities

Within the project's framework, each partner country (11 in total) organised 3 national roundtables with the participation of national public authorities and other key actors, on challenges faced for long term policy planning on energy and climate, as well as for achieving multi-level governance. The outcome of the roundtables was the formulation of a series of recommendations, which were discussed and validated with the participating stakeholders. These recommendations are thoroughly analysed in the Recommendations' report on national energy priorities, available for [download](#), and indicatively include:

- Regulatory obligation for regional / local authorities to prepare a plan on energy and climate;
- Assign specific GHG reduction targets at the regional level, based on their potential and following consultation of the national with the regional authorities; link financing with the targets set;
- Integration and connection of topics such as climate change mitigation/adaptation and urban spatial planning etc. in municipal administrations;
- Creation of a space for dialogue for the relevant actors at the national / regional and regional / local levels respectively, perhaps comprising of a steering committee and technical working groups;
- Development of dedicated financing tools to support the development of multi-level governance and energy & climate policy planning at the regional / local level;
- Creation of a common methodological basis to ensure the quality of the data and indicators collected and used in energy and climate planning.



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