

Energy Efficiency in the Construction Sector in the Mediterranean - MED/2005/108-170

- Duration: January 2006 – December 2008
- Project Offices: Beirut and Tunis
- Project Partners: GTZ, Ecofys, NEEDS, ERC
- Budget: 4 Mio. €
- EU-Delegation in charge: Damascus
- MEDA-countries: Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey

Project Objectives

- Overall objective: „To give a boost to energy efficiency measures and to the use of solar energy in the construction sector, in order to reduce both energy supply requirements and the ever-growing impact on the environment of air-conditioning installations.“
- Project purpose: „Service providers for energy efficiency and renewable energy applications provide cost effective solutions (for building owners and developers and communities) to reduce environmental impacts“

Project Results

R1: Information, communication and cooperation network MEDA/EU established

R2: Policy instruments, standards, incentives, regulatory framework

R3: ESCOs/service providers and technology cooperation
MEDA-EU

R4: Pilot Projects: best practices, new technologies, integrative approaches

R5: Public awareness and civil society participation

Major activities in 2006

1. Baseline study ongoing
2. Kick-off symposium in Damascus with investors meeting, invitation for country presentation about EE/RE promotion activities and experiences
3. Pilot projects (competition published in 04/06)
4. Project web site as a communication and cooperation instrument
5. Steering committee (Comité de pilotage) to be established
6. National consultations and regional workshops: “Standards, technical norms and construction permits” and “Financing and fiscal aspects” (09/06)
7. Regional business opportunity workshops: “Energy audits and ESCOs” (09/06)
8. Capacity building workshops and training courses “Planning and operation” for service development for new businesses (12/06)