

Invitation to the IEA-EUWP-Workshop:

From Energy Efficient Buildings to Smart Cities: How to Address the Challenge of Urban Energy Consumption









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The future of the world will be decided in its cities. Already today, a majority of the global population lives in urban regions which generate a large portion of our welfare. They are engaged in a worldwide competition for quality of life, productivity and communications; they vie for investments and the "best brains". At the same time, despite only representing 2 % of the world's surface area, they are responsible for 75 % of the world's energy consumption.

By 2050 a total of 9 – 12 billion people will live on our earth, 70 % of whom will be based in cities; this makes the number of future city dweller's as large as today's whole world population and presents an unprecedented challenge to the efficiency of energy consumption in cities. The appropriateness and "smartness" of urban (energy) technologies will be key to the conditions of life of the vast majority of people on our planet.

Energy efficiency in cities can only be honed to the utmost degree, if, apart from bringing down the basic energy consumption of all actors, we can connect all producers and consumers of energy so that they work together in harmony. This will ask for computer-based intelligence in our appliances and grids, and finally enable us to make up for the intermittent nature of renewable energy resources into our power systems.

Until now research activities in the IEA and in member countries were focused on improving technologies to minimise greenhouse gas emissions. In the meantime activities of the Implementing Agreements (IAs) have changed from technologies to systems, from working separately to cooperation with other IAs. One example in the Working Party on End-Use Energy Technologies (EUWP) is the Buildings Coordination Group (BCG), where different IAs from different working parties meet for communication, information exchange and the establishment of joint projects, annexes.

In the case of a city the conditions are much more complex: besides the built environment energy supply, grids and transportation have to play an important role. And the main challenge will be to give customers a real choice in adapting to changes in their environment.

Where

AIT – Austrian Institute of Technology Giefinggasse 2 1210 Vienna

When

Monday March, 26th, 2012 10:30 till 17:00

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REGISTRATION AND INTRODUCTION Chair: Hermann Halozan (EUWP)		SESSION 2: ENERGY SUPPLY IN A SMART CITY Chair: Martina Ammer (CERT)	
10:30	Registration and "Welcome Coffee"	14:00	From conventional energy supply to on-site renewables Werner Weiss (RHC), AEE INTEC
11:00	Welcome Martina Ammer (CERT), bmvit Brigitte Bach, AIT	14:20	Heating and cooling in a smart city Hermann Halozan (EUWP), TU Graz
11:20	The urban challenge Hans-Günther Schwarz, bmvit	SESSION 3: SMART GRIDS Chair: Martina Ammer (CERT)	
11:50	EUWP and the BCG Eva Slovakova (BCG), CZ MIT	14:40	The smartness of smart grids Wolfgang Hribernik, AIT
12:10	Discussion	15:00	DSM – enablers of smart cities Hans Nilsson (DSM), FourFact
SESSION 1: RAISING EFFICIENCY Chair: Hermann Halozan		15:20	COFFEE BREAK
12:20	From smart buildings to smart cities Isabella Zwerger (ECBCS), bmvit	WORLD CAFÉ AND WRAP-UP Chair: Hans-Günther Schwarz	
12:40	Mobility in a smart city Andreas Dorda (HEV), bmvit	15:40 16:40	World café – How to address the challenge! Wrap-up
13:00	LUNCH BREAK	10.40	Peter Cunz, CERT Carlos LOPEZ-LOPEZ, EUWP Hermann Halozan, EUWP
		17:00	THE END





