

Questions for discussion:

- Main players in EE policy field: Who are they? What do they do? Do their activities promote EE?

The major player for implementing energy efficiency measures in Montenegro are the national government and local municipalities. They implemented some actions for improvement of energy efficiency (presented by Lucija), the national government took soft loans from international financial institutions to reconstruct educational and health buildings and local municipalities take action for reduction of communal tax for new buildings for installing solar systems and Podgorica, as capital of Montenegro, take the financial support for insulation and reconstruction of existing apartment buildings too.

- Does your country still need new legislation and policies or the main issue is enforcement?

Montenegro is the contacting party to the Energy Secretariat, and is obliged to set up the whole spectra of the newest EU energy efficiency legislation. Because of the fact, that EU continuously improves energy efficiency directives, Montenegro needs to follow and changes national legislation in this field continuously. Montenegro adopted Energy Efficiency Law in 2009, and transposed existed energy efficiency legislation, but after that, EU legislation was significantly changed, and now, improvements of national legislation are necessarily and requested by the Energy Community. Developing the national energy efficiency legislation is continuously process, Montenegro still needs a lot of efforts to adopt energy efficiency legislation.

- International donor aid vs. national policy reforms: their respective roles.

Energy efficiency has been recently in the focus by international donors. Based on that, Montenegro has taken actions in improvements energy efficiency in general, which included the adoption of the energy efficiency legislation. The coordination of actions in energy efficiency by international donors and national bodies is very important for achievements of expected goals.

- What are the main changes since last year? Your proposals for next steps?

The presentation, Analysis of Policy Reform Impact on Energy Performance in Buildings, which will be held by Lucija, proposes clear recommendations and I completely agree with.