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# WORKSHOP AGENDA

Welcome speech

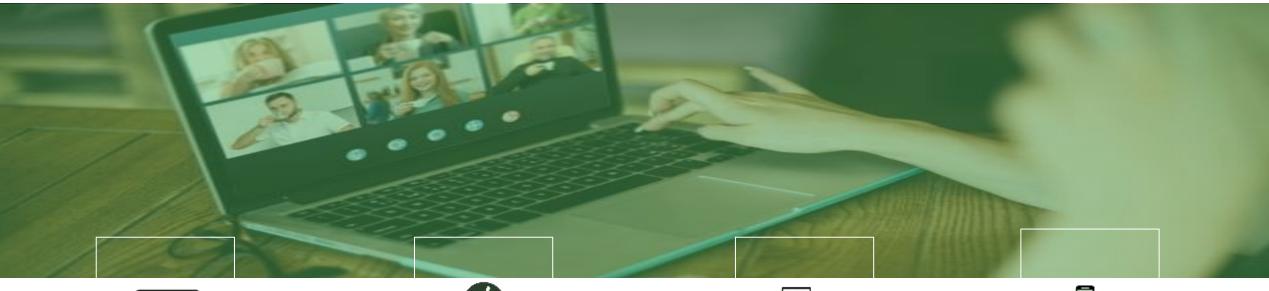
Workshop presentation

SMEs and energy efficiency. Needs & background discoveries to date Training proposals based on discoveries Policies to date for SMEs Possibilities in this regard for SMEs

Conclusions



### WEBINAR NOTICES





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Overview of H2020 EE projects tackling SMEs

Oronzo Daloiso. Project Advisor at EASME How did H2020 projects tackle energy efficiency in industry and SMEs?

Improving skills and capacities of relevant market stakeholders (staff, energy managers, energy auditors, )	Fostering the decision makers of the company to embrace the multiple benefits concept	Stakeholder mobilisation, knowledge transfer and awareness raising
Supporting the definition	of	

Supporting the definition or standards and benchmarks, so as to accelerate the market uptake of BAT and processes

Leveraging investment in sustainable energy (also through PDA)

Supporting policy implementation (e.g. art.8 of the EED)



# Which projects have been funded so far?

- ✓ During the 2014-2020 MFF, The Energy Efficiency part of H2020 has supported EU companies to improve their energy performance accelerating the market uptake of cost-effective energy efficiency measures by leveraging skills, knowledge and investment in sustainable energy.
- ✓ From the entrance into force of H2020 up until now 18 projects have been funded (receiving a cumulative EU contribution of roughly 36 mln €) involving SMEs operating in different sectors (e.g. steel, food and beverage, automotive etc) with the aim to boost their competitiveness through the implementation of energy efficiency solutions.
- ✓ Continuation of market uptake actions building upon predecessor programmes Intelligent Energy Europe (2003-2013) and Coordination and Support Actions under Horizon 2020 Energy Efficiency (2014-2020).



	EE-16-2014 (CSA)	
ENERWATER	Universidade de Santiago de Compostela	
	www.enerwater.eu/	
	To develop an innovative methodology for assessing, labelling and improving the energy performance of Wastewater Treatment Plants .	
STEAM-UP	INDUSTRIAL ENERGY EXPERTS BV	
	www.steam-up.eu/	
	To assess the substantial and easy to reach energy-saving potential of steam systems in heavy industries.	

EE-16-2015 (CSA)	
EE-METAL	Asociación De La Industria Navarra www.ee-metal.com/ To increase energy efficiency and savings in SMEs of Metal and Metalworking industry.
WaterWatt	DECHEMA e.V.         www.waterwatt.eu/         To improve energy efficiency in industrial water circuits using gamification.
SCOoPE	Cooperativas Agro-Alimentarias De Espana www.scoope.eu/ To reduce energy consumption in the crop drying, meat & poultry, dairy, fruit & vegetables transformation sectors.
EnergyWater	The Technological Institute of Castilla y León         www.energywater-project.eu/         To provide support to manufacturing industries by enabling energy efficient water processing.



EE-15-2017 (CSA)		
INDUCE	<b>Fundación CIRCE – Aim:</b> To increase the energy efficiency through behavioural and organizational change models targeting the food and	
	beverage sector. <u>https://www.induce2020.eu/</u>	
M-Benefits	<b>Fraunhofer Institute – Aim:</b> To include the Multiple Benefits of energy efficiency in investment decisions of companies. <u>www.m-benefits.eu</u>	
EUREMnext	Nuremberg Chamber of Commerce and Industry– Aim: To increase the quality of energy audit results through training programs.	
	www.eurem-next.eu	
IMPAWATT	PLANAIR SA- Aim: To develop staff trainings and capacity building programmes to enhance corporate policy towards energy efficiency,	
	energy culture and sustainable supply-chain initiatives. <u>www.impawatt.com</u>	

EE-08-2018 (CSA)		
SPEEDIER	<b>Cork University – Aim:</b> To foster the market uptake of EE solutions by providing a self-financing outsourced energy management service to	
	SMEs. <u>Not yet available</u>	
SMEmPower	<b>University of Thessaloniki – Aim:</b> To develop a certified "education and training programme" for SMEs operating in the manufacturing	
Efficiency	sector. <u>Not yet available</u>	
E2DRIVER	Fundación CIRCE – Aim: To develop a collaborative training platform for the SMEs operating throughout the whole automotive supply	
	chain. <u>Not yet available</u>	
ICCEE	University of Brescia – Aim: To facilitate SMEs in the cold chains of the food and beverage sector to implement EE measures. Not yet	
	<u>available</u>	
INNOVEAS	I.I.P.L.E. – Aim: To address the major non-technical barriers hampering SMEs form undergoing energy audit (focusing on the SMEs size). Not	
	<u>yet available</u>	

EE-08-2019 (CSA)		
LEAP4SME	ENEA – Aim: To support Member States to develop audit supporting schemes for SMEs.	
	Not yet available	
GEAR-at-SME	TNO – Aim: To bridge the gap between demand and supply of Energy Efficiency (EE) solutions among SMEs through the development of a	
	local collective approach. <u>Not yet available</u>	
DEESME	IEECP – Aim: To support directly 10 National Authorities (NA) to encourage companies to implement energy audits and EMSs (e.g. ISO	
	50001) Not yet available	



### WORKSHOP PRESENTATION Bircardo Cariani

Riccardo Cariani. Project Manager at Instituto Profesionale Edile





E2DRIVER: Training on energy audits as an Energy Efficiency DRIVER for the automotive sector

### **PARTNERSHIPS**



### **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

SO1: To provide training to companies in the automotive sector in energy auditing

SO2: Delivery of customized capacity building programmes

SO3: Creation of a platform to sustain the project's objectives and results

### TARGET GROUP

- 40 European companies in <u>automotive sectors</u> to be involved
- More than 650 staff members of SMEs to be trained



- An innovative learning platform
- A co-operative network
- A capacity building programme



### SOLUTION/TOOLS

### EXPECTED RESULTS/ OUTCOMES

 The project's integrative approach aims to boost capacity building programmes on energy auditing by establishing an innovative learning platform



# The SME program for energy efficiency through delivery and implementation of energy audits

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### **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

SO1: To demonstrate the viability of an innovative one-stop-shop solution where SMEs can outsource energy management to a SPEEDIER Expert

SO2: To facilitate the uptake of energy audits and implementation of the resulting energy conservation measures in SMEs

SO3: To demonstrate the effectiveness of the self-financing mechanism.

### TARGET GROUP

- More than 100 SMEs in Europe
- 650 staff members of SMEs to be trained
- 50 SPEEDIER experts to be trained



- An outsourced energy manager (SPEEDIER Expert) to guide SMEs
- A self-financing solution, through ring-fencing and reinvesting savings
- An energy audit tool to speed and standardise audits
- A mobile app to build capacity in SMEs



### SOLUTION/TOOLS

### EXPECTED RESULTS/ OUTCOMES

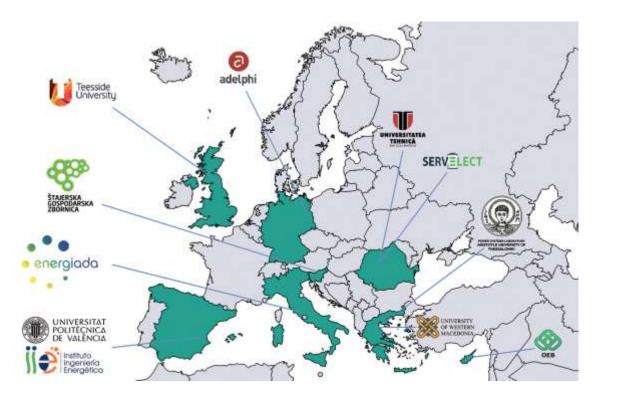
- Greater uptake of energy audits in SMEs
- Greater implementation of recommended measures
- Improved energy culture of SMEs





SMEmPower Efficiency: A holistic framework for Empowering SME's capacity to increase their energy efficiency

### PARTNERSHIPS



#### **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

SO1: creation of a framework to aid SMEs undergo energy audits

SO2: improve the knowledges and skills of SMEs to implement energy savings measures for increasing their energy efficiency

### TARGET GROUP

- More than 700 energy managers in SMEs to be trained
- More than 800 staff members of SMEs to be trained on site
- Financing entities to be reached through targeted workshops



- An advanced training handbook in 7
- languages
- A web platform for energy analytics
- A tool for Monitoring & Targeting
- A tool for Measurement & Verification



### SOLUTION/TOOLS

### EXPECTED RESULTS/ OUTCOMES

- Removal of barriers to energy efficiency projects
- Enabling better implementation of energy-efficiency policies and enhancing the digitalization of industry towards the fourth industry revolution
- Improve the use of effective tools for energy optimization, new technologies and processes driven by energy efficiency, in a close and improved connection with top decision makers





INNOVEAS: INNOVativing the uptake of Energy Auditing Schemes for SMEs



### **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

# SO1: Advanced analysis of behavioral barriers to energy audits

SO2: Delivery of self-sustainable capacity building programmes

SO3: Creation of an institutional structure to sustain the project's objectives and results

### TARGET GROUP

- European SMEs of <u>Construction</u>, <u>Chemical and Food</u> sectors
- Industrial associations
- Policy makers
- Institutional actors
- Financial institutions



- Assessment on on enterprises energy "culture", of nontechnical barriers and of existing framework conditions
- Capacity Building Programme for SMEs, Stakeholders and Intermediaries
- European Alliance for Energy Audits in SMEs



### SOLUTION/TOOLS

### EXPECTED RESULTS/ OUTCOMES

- Building capacities and skills, mainly targeting EU industries and service companies
- Increase energy culture and create an enabling environment to implement energy saving measures in SMEs







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The power of energy audits



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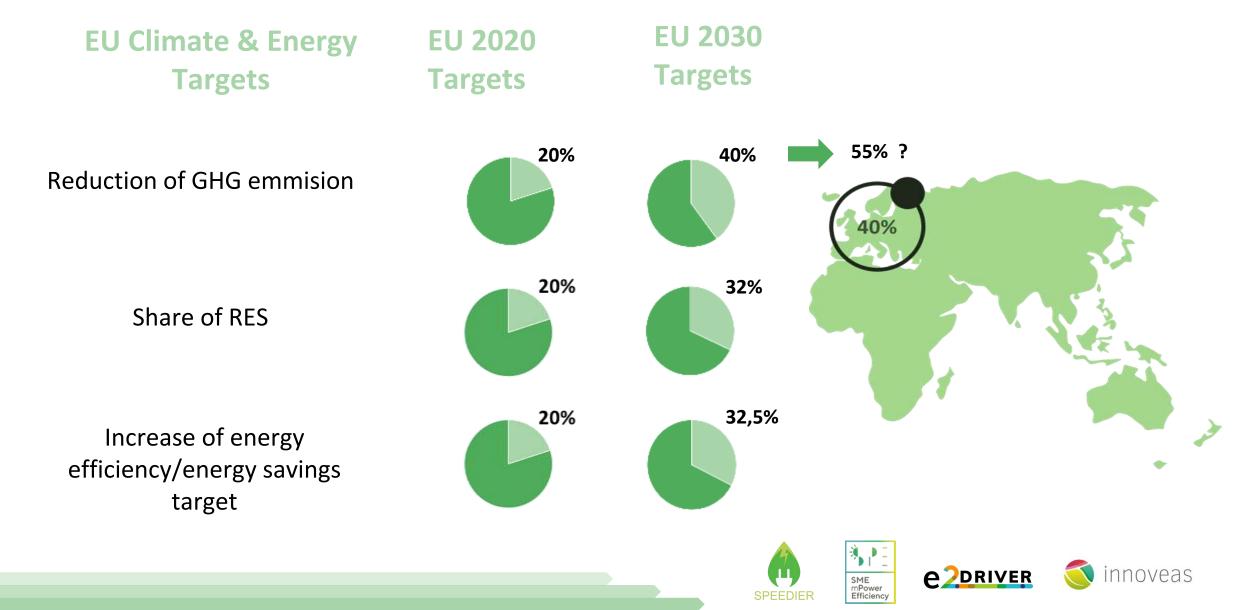


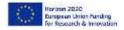
# SMEs and energy efficiency. Needs & background discoveries to date

Grigoris Papagiannis Professor Power Systems at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki 02

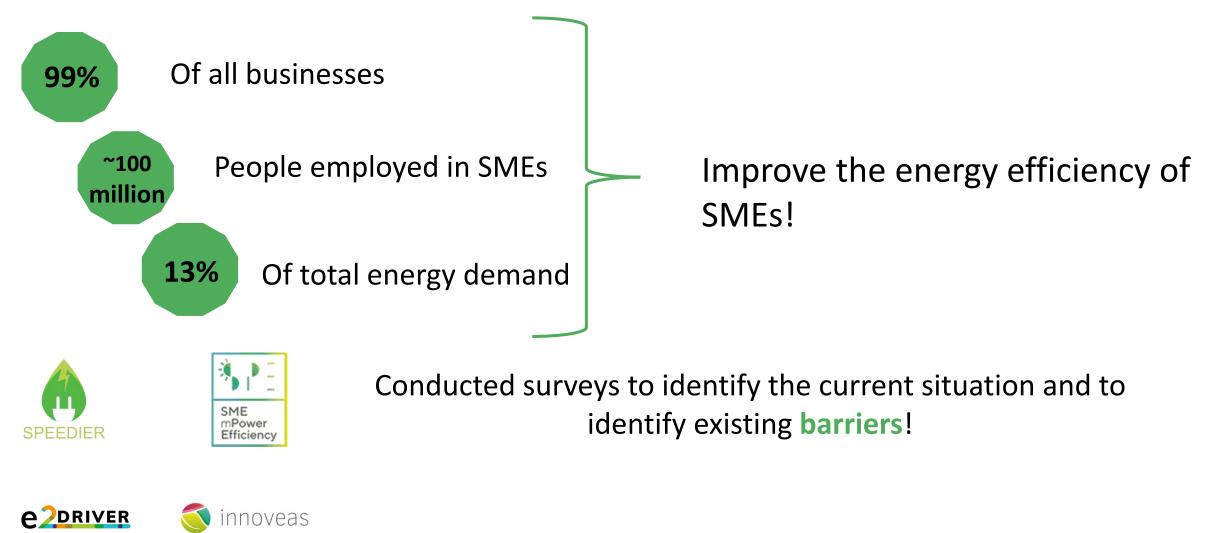


# EU climate and energy targets for 2020 and 2030

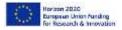




# SMEs in the EU – Current situation







# Project surveys – Behind the scenes

- SME mPower Efficiency
- 213 SMEs from 8 countries, i.e. Cyprus, Germany, Greece, Italy, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, U.K.
- SMEs in the sectors of Construction, Food industry, Services, Hospitality, Commercial, Trade, Heavy industry and others

- Online surveys to discover possible expectations, constraints and needs of the SMEs
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- 513 respondents from 5 countries, i.e. Germany, Italy, Poland, Slovenia, Spain
- Interviews with special focus on target sectors Construction, Food processing and Manufacture of Chemicals and chemical products
  - **41** in-depth interviews with representatives of SMEs conducted in the partner countries





# Project surveys – Behind the scenes/2



**e**<sup>2</sup>DRIVER</sup>

- 84 SMEs in 4 countries, i.e. Ireland, Italy, Spain, Romania
- SMEs in the sectors of Services, Manufacturing, Hospitality, Commercial, Energy, Education and others

- 12 companies for the involved countries i.e. Germany, Spain, France, Italy
- Targeted specifically at the automotive industry

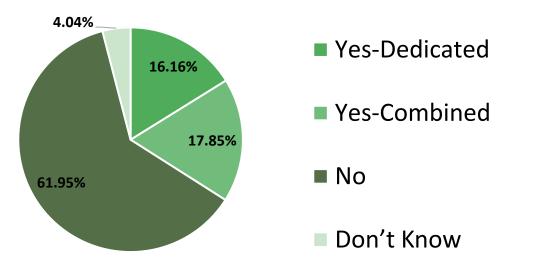




# Crunching the outcomes – Energy managers

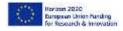
### Energy Managers employed by the SMEs:

- 62 % of the companies surveyed do not have an energy manager in their company
- 18 % of the companies surveyed have assigned a staff member for the energy management



• All **12** companies from the **automotive sector** have energy/maintenance manager or staff responsible for energy management.

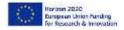




# Crunching the outcomes – Energy monitoring

- Less than **50%** of the companies **use a complete monitoring system**.
- The others declare not having available resources, due to other priorities, or they believe that it is not necessary!
- The most common methods reported are energy bills and energy measuring devices.
- There is a lack of awareness within the companies' employees regarding the measuring procedures. Mainly the staff related to the companies' management is aware of such procedures.
- There are companies who monitor their energy consumption and simultaneously **compare real data to set targets, previous data etc**, only few of them consider however EE improvements as part of the process.





# Crunching the outcomes – Energy monitoring /2

Nevertheless, in most companies

- Energy performance or labeling is used as **decision criterion** when investing in new equipment or systems.
- There is awareness that **the most energy consuming devices must be identified**, and this can be accomplished by energy consumption monitoring in the company sectors.
- Also that monitoring of energy consumption could help in the adaptation of appropriate **key performance indicators** within the company.





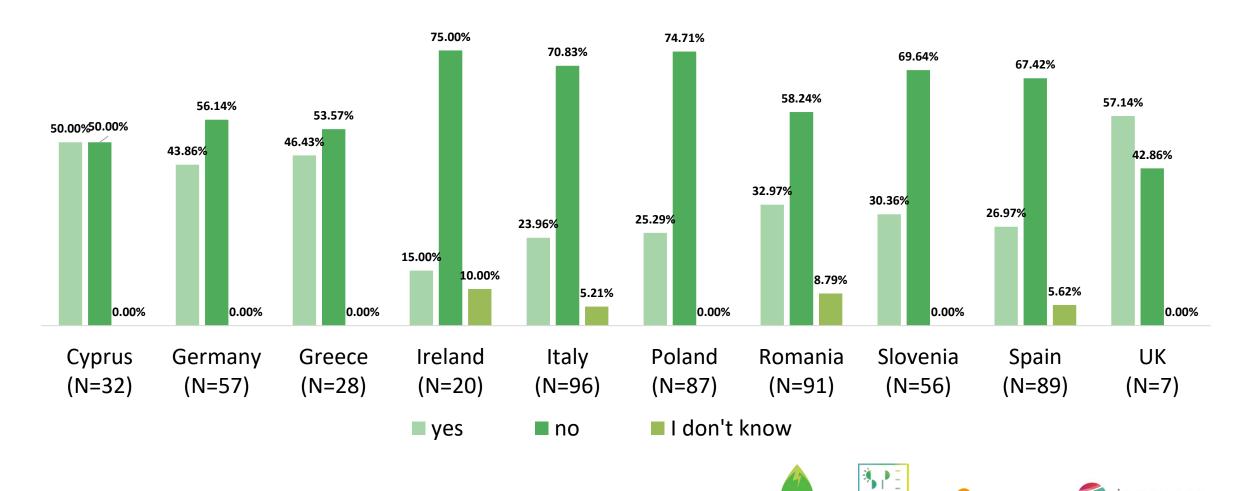
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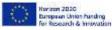
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# Crunching the outcomes – Energy audits

• Conducted energy audits in SMEs by country



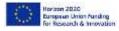


# Crunching the outcomes – Adapting Energy monitoring standards

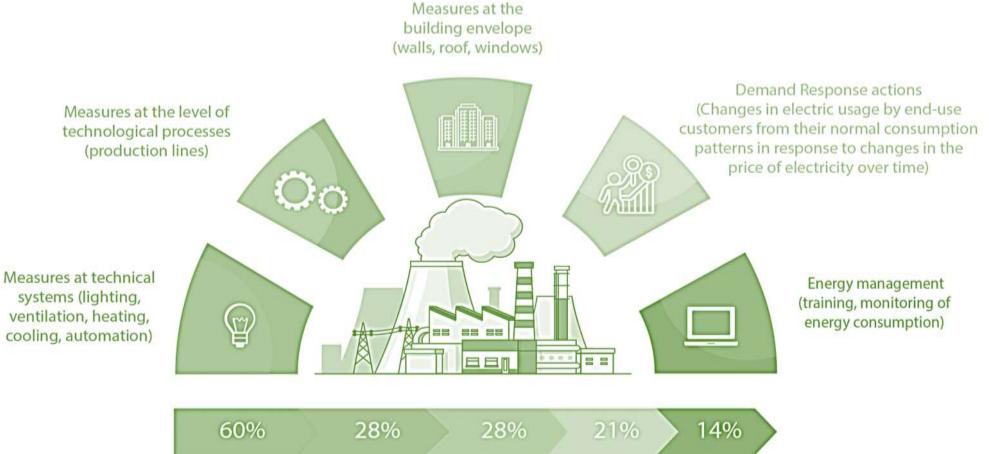
• Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, U.K.

Number of SMEs where Standards have been implemented





# Crunching the outcomes – EE measures implemented



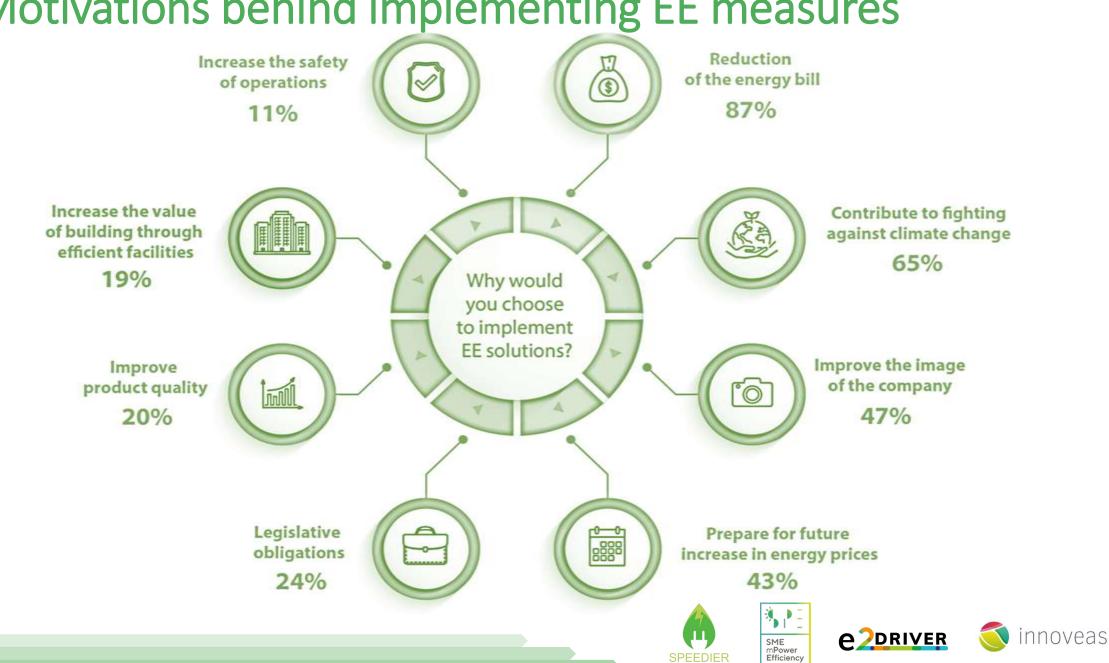
- 72 % of the energy audits resulted in the implementation of EE improvements in Cyprus, Germany, Greece, Italy, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, U.K.
- Measures at the building envelope mainly by SMEs owning the buildings.



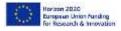








### Motivations behind implementing EE measures



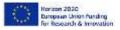
# Crunching the outcomes – Use of Renewable Energy

- SMEs and RES 513 respondents from Germany, Italy, Poland, Slovenia and Spain
  - **53**% use RES in their companies
  - **12**% buy renewable energy, either from the community or from the grid
  - 18.5 % generate energy by a PV system or similar
  - The larger the companies, the more likely to use or produce renewable energy



- SMEs not using RES believe that renewable energy is too expensive, not needed, too complicated or have other more important problems/priorities.
- The most commonly used RES are the **PVs**, followed by **waste heat recovery** and **wood-burning stoves**.



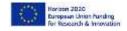


# Crunching the outcomes – Future EE strategy of SMEs

- 46% out of 213 SMEs from Cyprus, Germany, Greece, Italy, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, U.K. reported the absence of any energy strategy within the SMEs for the next 3 years!
- 45% out of 33 companies from Germany, Italy, Poland, Slovenia, Spain not having yet implemented energy audits stated that they do not plan to conduct one in the future!

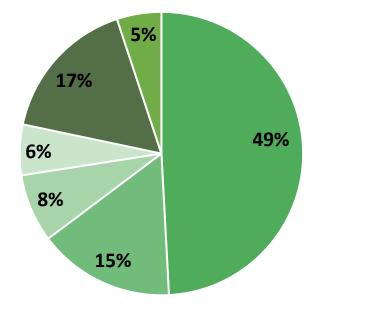






# Crunching the outcomes – Identification of support schemes and other financial instruments

### **Funding sources for EE investments**



- Own funds
- European Grants / Other grants
- Bank loans
- National Support Schemes

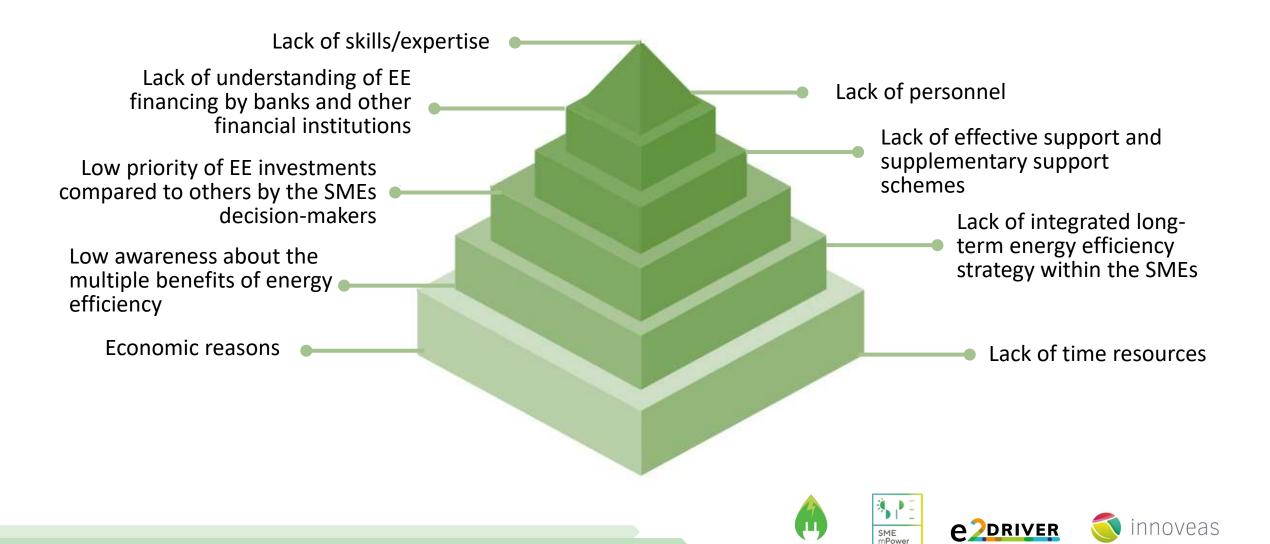
No No

• Need for significant increase in third party financing, through the deployment of financing mechanisms, ESCO contracts and better access to finance.





# Common barriers for EE improvement investments in SMEs



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# Conclusions

- All 4 project surveys revealed more or less **similar results** in the identification of barriers for SMEs regarding the implementation of EE improvement measures!
- The main motivation for the implementation of such measures is the **reduction of energy costs**.
- SMEs seem to be **reluctant to invest in energy efficiency measures**, while they consider them as low priority investments.
- There is a lack of dedicated energy management staff to get involved in relevant procedures. Also lack of knowledge on existing policies and opportunities for SMEs towards energy efficiency on a country or region level.
- Only a small part of the interviewed companies have implemented energy audits and energy efficiency measures, or plan to do in the future!
- Nevertheless, SMEs having conducted energy audits generally proceed to EE investments, showing a potential roadmap.













# Training proposals based on discoveries 03

Erudino Llano Project & Training Manager at Fundación Circe



# **EDUCATION IN 21ST CENTURY**

#### • Traditionally,

- education was centred learning on (theoretical) knowledge  $\rightarrow$  memorization.
- training was intended for child, teenagers and young adults.
- the format of the education was mainly master classes.
- trainees usually perform a training programme in order to get a academic title.





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# **EDUCATION IN 21ST CENTURY**



- Currently,
  - education is evolving to an holistic paradigm where knowledge, skills and values are considered
     → Practical.
  - training must be performing during the whole professional life.
  - the format are changing (increased due to the Covid-19) → online format.
  - training becomes something necessary during the whole professional life in order to avoid being outdated.



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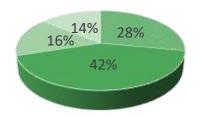






## TRAINING FORMAT PREFERENCES

# Figure 8. Preferred training format



- A. Formal training courses
- B. Workshops
- C. Coaching / Mentoring
- D. Digital content / courses

# Table 3. Training preferences accordingto perceived effectiveness

	Traditional Training	Workshops	Coaching/ Mentoring	Digital content/ courses
Managers			•	•
Science and Engineering Professionals		•	•	•
Technical Managers	•	•	•	•
Technicians		•	•	•









### **SPEEDIER**

### **Training for SME staff**

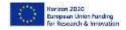
- Awareness actions where the objective is to create an energy culture inside SMEs and behavioural changes.
- Specific training for senior management and other junior employees.
- There is not a rigid format, but it will be flexible and adapted to the needs of each company → online, face-to-face or blended learning delivered by SPEEDIER Expert.
- **Speedier app** uses gamification to engage staff members.



650 staff to be trained







# **SPEEDIER**

### **SPEEDIER Expert and SPEEDIER Trainer Training**

- The objective is to: (a) train SPEEDIER Experts to deliver the SPEEDIER Service and
   (b) train SPEEDIER Trainers to train more SPEEDIER Experts.
- First round of training:
  - 100 % online in December 2020.
  - After training, attendees will be invited to **'shadow'** the SPEEDIER consortium to learn how to deliver the Service.
- Second round of training:
  - Will take place in 2021, either online or face-to-face.
  - The SPEEDIER Trainers trained in Round 1 will train new SPEEDIER Experts in Round 2.











### INNOVEAS

### **General approach of the training**

- The INNOVEAS training programme looks for building step by step the **awareness** and **know-how** of SMEs.
- Target group: construction, chemical and food sector.
- They will receive training about theoretical information, as well as practical competences about energy audits and energy efficiency measures.











### INNOVEAS

### **Types of INNOVEAS training**

- Web-based modules: 12 training videos about general and key aspects of energy management.
- Webinars: promotion and raising the awareness.
- In situ training: 2-days training for companies.
- In company training: for companies.
- **Training video**: will be recorded during the sessions and shared for wide spread.



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### **SMEmPower**

### **General approach of the training**

- On-site trainings for SMEs' decision makers and other SME staff.
  - Short.
  - On-site in SMEs site (may vary depending on the evolution of the pandemic).
  - 20 SMEs per country  $\rightarrow$  160 in total. 800 people trained. (5 per SME).
- Educational & Training courses for energy managers (or for candidate energy managers).
  - Blended learning (may vary depending on the evolution of the pandemic).
  - 3 rounds of E&T courses per country. At least, 24 courses in total with an impact of 720 people trained.
  - Beyond the end of the project. (next slide).





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### **SMEmPower**

# Educational and training course for energy managers

- SMEmPower is creating the course "Energy efficiency and sustainability for energy managers and energy professionals (in SMEs)".
- The training programme has been designed with a common curriculum in 8 European countries.
- This course will be certified by the participating and associated universities.



SME mPower Efficiency



### E2DRIVER

#### **Main characteristics**

- E2DRIVER seeks to increase the **collective intelligence** of the automotive sector.
- Two main results:
  - E2DRIVER Methodology: a guide for trainers in order to ensure an effective implementation of the training.
  - Collaborative-cooperative E2DRIVER Platform: where it will be possible to host the training materials and perform the online part of the blended learning.









### **E2DRIVER**

### **Main characteristics**

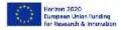
- 40 companies trained.
- Customization of the Capacity building training by considering the needs and interests of the companies.
- Ontological Flip Teaching as pedagogical approach.
- E2DRIVER Community.
- Virtual reality as serious gamification.





# How can policies drive uptake of energy efficiency in SMEs

Jo Southernwood Energy & Research Engineer Consultant at IERC



# EU wide policies on SME Energy Efficiency



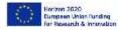






Despite these policies, most SMEs have not had an energy audit in the last 5 years, do not have an energy manager or energy policy, and have implemented only "easy" energy

Policy to support energy efficiency in SMEs must be strengthened



# Gap Analysis



EU Level

- No quantitative targets for **SMEs**
- No mandatory obligations • for SMEs
- 2020 target likely to be missed

National Level

- Varied transposition of EED Article 8
- Lack of financial support for • SMEs
- Support limited to ٠ information



#### **Company Level**

- Lack of resource (time, • money, knowledge)
- Poor understanding of • multiple benefits of EE
- Competing business • priorities



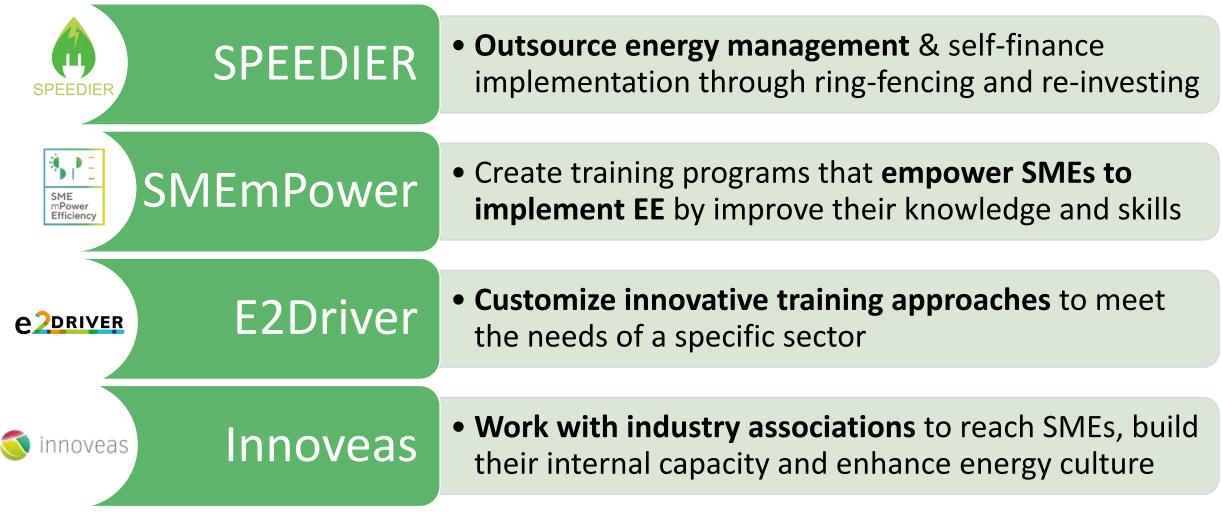
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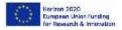
# Each project is developing a different solution...











# ...to tackle different barriers

Which barriers do the projects tackle?	SPEEDIER	SME mPower Efficiency	e2driver	≶ innoveas
Lack of time	✓			
Lack of finance	✓			
Poor internal knowledge & skills		$\checkmark$	✓	✓
Poor understanding of multiple benefits of EE	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓	✓
Competing business priorities	$\checkmark$			
Poor energy culture		$\checkmark$	✓	✓
Lack of suitable training on EE		$\checkmark$	✓	✓
No external support for EE implementation	✓		✓	✓
Only 'easy' EE measures are implemented	✓			



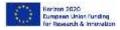




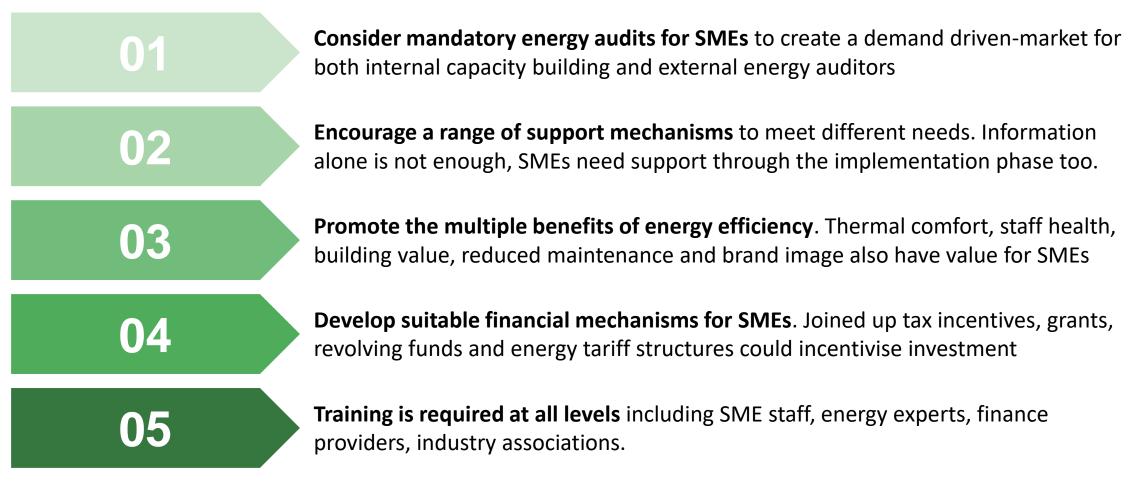
### Key Message

No single approach will remove all the barriers to SMEs undertaking energy audits and implementing energy efficiency measures

A combination of approaches and solutions are required



### **Recommendations for policy makers**



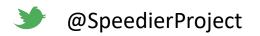






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# Conclusions 05









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