



manifesto

for improving energy efficiency



By signing this Manifesto, we make a commitment to increasing energy efficiency in our local communities and regions.

With the present Manifesto we recognize that:

- improving energy saving and energy efficiency is one of the quickest, greenest, and most cost-effective ways to address energy security, global energy justness and climate protection, and ensure sustainable economic growth in the long run;
- measures to increase energy efficiency and use of renewable energy sources allow a reduction in environmental pollution;
- it is important and valuable to exchange and share information, experience and best practices which are the most effective means for promoting energy efficiency and renewable energy sources;
- schools need to play an important role in accelerating the dissemination and transfer of best practices and efficient technologies, which will contribute to the improvement of energy efficiency locally and worldwide;
- educating and making individuals and stakeholders of local communities more aware about energy efficiency is a priority and must be reinforced.

The aim of this Manifesto is to facilitate and encourage actions that provide high energy efficiency gains. The undersigned organizations and institutions choose to take action in the areas of their interest on a voluntary basis.

The scope of the current Manifesto encompasses activities in the following areas:

- encouragement of energy efficiency through a system of measures and activities on national, industry, regional and municipal level;
- development of methodologies for energy measurement and other tools to achieve optimal energy efficiency control and performance;
- building strong partnerships with schools, NGOs and local businesses in order to enhance fulfillment of the energy strategies and regional program's reach and effectiveness;
- conscientiously collaborating with schools and public authorities to promote energy efficiency and renewable energy sources.
- promptly exchanging measures, best practices and technologies that could significantly improve energy efficiency in local communities;
- supporting governments and local authorities to develop a consistent policy on energy-efficiency.

In conclusion, we acknowledge that energy efficiency and renewable energy sources are important basis for sustainable development because they contribute to environment and climate protection, to local job creation and economic growth, to security of energy supply, to independence from energy price fluctuations as well as to social cohesion and innovation.

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