



# EASYCOPRO D 4.3. FEEDBACK REPORT ON TASKS 4.1.

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### **1.** EASY**COPRO** SUMMARY OF THE CONTEXT

The objective of easyCOPRO is to develop a fully-fledged renovation package for Brussels based condominiums. The package will include financial means and technical assistance that aim at significantly simplifying the decision making process of co-owners and property managers to engage into heavy refurbishment procedures. Energy performance contracts, which can include third party financing, will be signed with the condominiums (the beneficiaries).

## **2.** SUMMARY OF FIRST VERSION OF EASYCOPRO OPEN BOOK ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT (EPC V1)

At first, the EPC has been developed on the basis of a full package toolbox including all types of energy efficient renovation works and supposedly all funding of it, or an important part of it :

- > Development of the Toolbox Selection of candidates Audit methodology
- Proposition: CPE for global retroffiting
- Global financing programme via easyCOPRO including financing through banks and crowdfunding
- Work phases: Audits, Action plans, permitting procedures, tendering for works, works implementation in different phases linked to the permitting delays
- > Energy saving measurements and ongoing improvement of the installations

#### See D 4.1. Anonymous Action Plan of EPC V1

# 3. REACTIONS TO THE FIRST VERSION OF EASYCOPRO OPEN BOOK ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT (EPC V1)

- Positive reactions :
  - The sequence Audit-Action Plan
  - $\circ\,$  The global offer by Technical Engineering Consultant and Energy Service Company
  - The transformation of energy figures into financial planning with € costs and profits

#### This makes easyCOPRO a unique proposition

- Negative reactions :
  - The risk linked to the required engagement at once by the condominium (including before permit is delivered)



- The complexity of the global structure and the contract in itself
- The cost of financing through easycopro programme in comparison to bank direct funding

#### Internal easyCOPRO constraints :

- Due to the global retroffiting and the long set-up process of both customers (condominiums) and permits, very long term funding, more around 14-15 years than the fist expected 10 years maturity was needed in order to avoid putting Watt Matters at liquidity risk in this formula, but this was a real hurdle for banks and other financing parties including Energiris.
- Due to the mechanism of unique decision at start relative to global retroffiting in whole, the set-up from a legal perspective was very complex : contractual complexity, obligations of parties among which pre-reimbursement of not yet began phase works by the condominium

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS OF THE FIRST VERSION OF EASYCOPRO OPEN BOOK EPC

- Energy retroffiting is complex from technical, reglementary and financial sides
- Energy retroffiting in condominiums is even much more complex :
  - Syndics with many different urgent issues to tackle before energy renovation
  - o Condominiums heavy decision process with owners divergent points of view
  - o Both syndics and condominiums with no energy renovation experience
  - Slow feedbacks of syndics and condominiums
  - o Unability for condominiums to take heavy decisions if not « mandatory »
  - Important risk adversity at condominiums
  - Very reluctant to increase their debt
  - High preference to use own funding capacity
  - $\circ~$  The upcoming legal constraints to renovate with 2030 and 2050 horizon are not yet considered ...

#### Need to improve easyCOPRO to a better proposition for these beneficiaries

## 5. MOVING TO THE SECOND VERSION OF EASYCOPRO OPEN BOOK ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT (EPC V2)

This is why easyCOPRO consortium partners have decided to find a solution to amend the formula to a more realistic and feasible one, aligning the real existing demand for



support and set-up coordination of energy transition condominiums renovation from the condominiums themselves but from public authorities in Brussels as well.

- Development of the **Toolbox V2** Selection of candidates Audit methodology
- Proposition: CPE for global retroffiting in 2 phases
- Financing includes partial financing through retained gains on energy consumptions thanks to works of phase 1 including guaranteed economies by easyCOPRO partner. The works of both phases are for the remaining financed through own funds and/or banks direct funding at better costs than easyCOPRO V1 (if required Energiris would provide subordinated funding to condominiums)
- Work phases: Action plan includes works of 2 phases, such as easyCOPRO CPE contract.
- Energy saving measurements and ongoing improvement of the installations

#### 6. SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN EPCV1 AND EPCV2

	Similar	Different
Audit	1	
Action Plan	1	
Translate energy economies from Kwh into €	1	
Detailed Study	1	
Works in phases	1	
EPC for all phases		1
Global financing through easyCOPRO		1
EPC level of complexity		1
Condominiums engagement in phases		1