



LOCAL Policies for GREEN Energy – LOCAL4GREEN

Priority Axis 2: Fostering low-carbon strategies and energy efficiency in specific MED territories: cities, islands and remote areas

Specific Objective 2.2: To increase the share of renewable local energy sources in energy mix strategies and plans in specific MED territories

**TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR:
- THE INTERNATIONAL HANDBOOK ON GREEN LOCAL FISCAL POLICY MODELS.**

Project Partner in charge: PP6 MUSOL foundation

Project partners involved: All

THE INTERNATIONAL HANDBOOK ON GREEN LOCAL FISCAL POLICY MODELS.

1 Background (EN).

The Project LOCAL4GREEN supports local authorities to define and implement local fiscal policies, innovative and intended to promote renewable energy sources in all sectors (public, private, households), mainly in the framework of the SEAPs (Sustainable Energy Action Plans submitted under the 2020 Covenant) and SECAPs (Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans to be submitted under the 2030 Covenant) adopted by the signatories of the Covenant of Mayors. The project is being implemented in the rural zones and islands of the MED region, where local fiscal policies play a crucial role in order to raise the share of renewable energy sources.

The project has been implementing a pilot experience in local authorities of 9 countries/regions of the MED area (Spain, Portugal, Italia, Cyprus, Malta, Greece, Slovenia, Albania, Croatia). The pilot includes the participative design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of local fiscal policies to promote renewable energy sources. The pilot is included in the Work Package 3 “Testing” of the project, led by the MUSOL foundation.

Once concluded the phases of designing, implementation and monitoring of the fiscal policies as well as the evaluation of the pilots and the fiscal policies, in the framework of the Work Package 4 each partner has to elaborate a national handbook on green local fiscal policy models.

According to the application form, in the framework of the Work Package 4, MUSOL is in charge of elaborating the *international* handbook on green local fiscal policy models, based mainly on the *national* handbooks.

2 Objectives and object (EN).

The objectives of the international handbook on green local fiscal policy models are:

- Outline policy models transferrable at international level, based on pilots best practices.
- Outline a comparative study of national regulation to facilitate transferring for decision makers.

3 Outlines (EN summary).

Main features:

The international handbook on green local fiscal policy models will be elaborated in the last months of 2018 (11-12/2018), since it should be prepared once each partner has prepared the national handbook on green local fiscal policy models.

The main sources of information for the elaboration of the international handbook are the national handbooks; the structures of contents of the national and international handbooks are totally complementary. The national handbooks will be provided by each project partner.

The international handbook on green local fiscal policy will be available in Spanish, English and French. It will be easy to understand since the target groups are very varied and include non-specialists, namely the local authorities decision makers from rural authorities.

The main target groups of the international handbook are:

- Local authorities' employees and decision makers;
- Consultants specialist in public management;
- National and regional authorities decision makers;
- Other stakeholders interested in advocacy for renewable energy sources in Local Authorities.

Outlines of the contents:

Main contents	
National handbook on green local fiscal policy models (a handbook in each country)	<u>International handbook</u> on green local fiscal policy models
Introduction: description of the LOCAL4GREEN project; main purposes and features of the handbook; target groups.	Introduction: description of the LOCAL4GREEN project; main purposes and features of the handbook; target groups.
Description of the national regulation regarding the local fiscal policies and the capacity of the local authorities to put in place fiscal policies to promote RES.	Comparative study of national regulations of the LOCAL4GREEN countries, to facilitate international transferring of local fiscal policies.
According to the evaluation reports of the pilots (deliverable 3.5.1 of the LOCAL4GREEN project), full description of the local fiscal policies considered as best practices.	Full description of a selection of the best practices, according to their impact, innovation and transferability at international level.
Description of the national legislative or normative reforms needed to enable the local authorities to put in place improved fiscal policies to promote RES.	Description of general policy recommendations to enable the European local authorities to put in place improved fiscal policies to promote RES, specially policy recommendations aiming at EU bodies.

4 Products (EN).

An international handbook on green local fiscal policy models according to the guidelines of this ToR written in Spanish and in English.

5 Deadlines (EN).

The international handbook should be available until 31/12/2018. In case of extension of the deadline of the project, a new deadline of delivery of the handbook will be agreed.

6 Professional skills required.

Fluency in English and Spanish. Education or experience in public management/political sciences or other related areas. Writing and systematizing skills.