

# Western Balkans Regional Energy Efficiency Programme (REEP)

## Policy support (Window 1)



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# Potential fields for support

The policy support window was developed to assist beneficiaries to fulfil their obligations under the Energy Community Treaty in transposing and **implementing the energy efficiency acquis.**

## **Support in the implementation of the CP's Reform Agendas (focus on building sector):**

- **Support in the finalisation of the NECP**
- **Legislation on energy performance of buildings** (e.g. setting up and/or further development of independent control system for EPCs (EPBD Article 18), national database for EPCs (EPBD 2018/844 Article 10/6a), etc.)
- **Contribution to the long-term renovation plan** (EPBD 2018/844 Article 2a)
- **Metering for heating, cooling, and domestic hot water** (sub metering, cost allocation, remote reading, (EED 2012/27EU Article 9a, 9b))
- **Multi-apartment buildings** (HO regulations; one stop shop, financial support schemes, etc.)
- others

# Example 1: Albania

## REEP is supporting the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy in implementing the long-term building renovation plan (BRP)



- Start of the project: August 2024
- Expected duration: around 12 months
- Scope of work:
  - Elaborate the Albanian building stock for residential, public and commercial buildings
  - Develop reference buildings to calculate energy demand, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, etc.
  - Develop targets for residential public and commercial buildings (CO<sub>2</sub> savings, energy demand, etc.)
  - Develop policy and measures for 2030, 2040, 2050
  - Estimate investment needs for 2030, 2040, 2050
  - Energy poverty
  - Macroeconomic impact, barriers, etc.

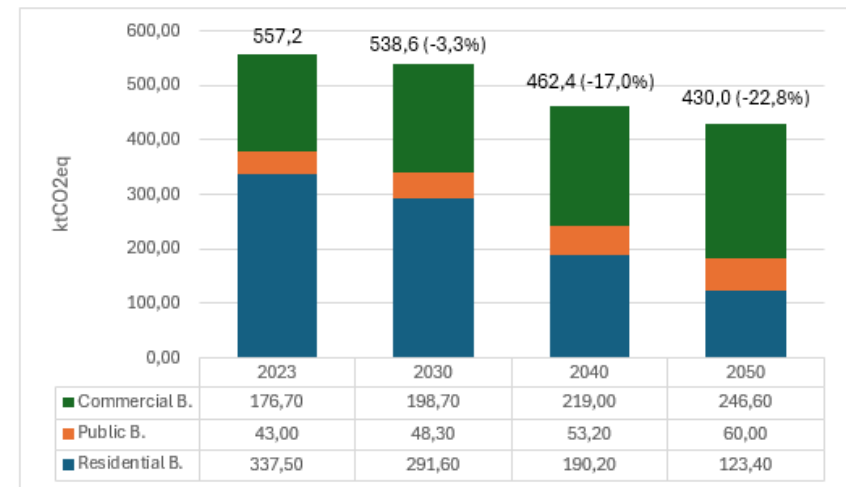
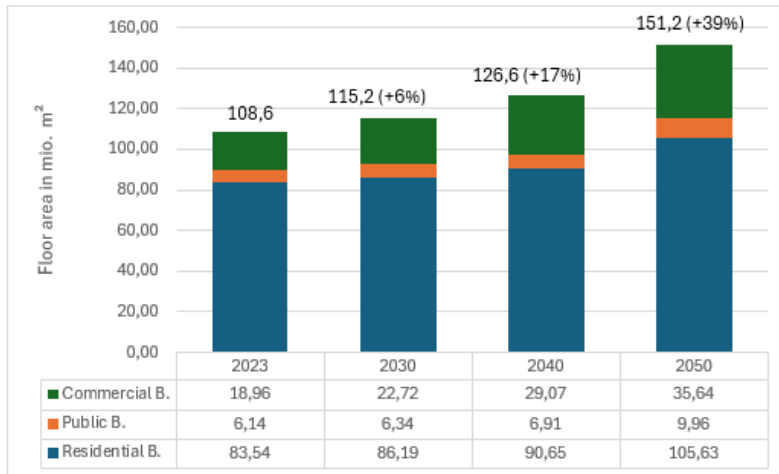
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## Challenges:

Main challenges during the first part were to **build up a solid database** of the building stock. Multiple sources had to be used to bridge data gaps such as Albanian energy balance, census data, studies, results from energy audits, etc.)

During the second part development of **suitable policy measures** will be the core activity.

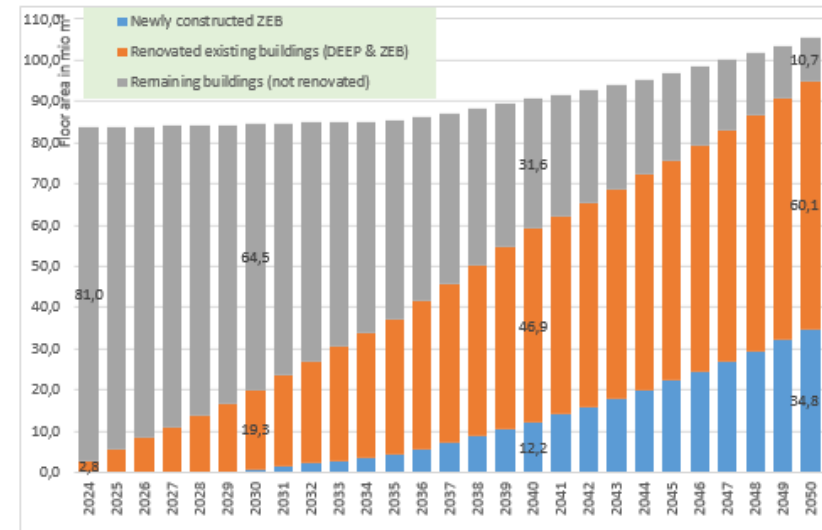
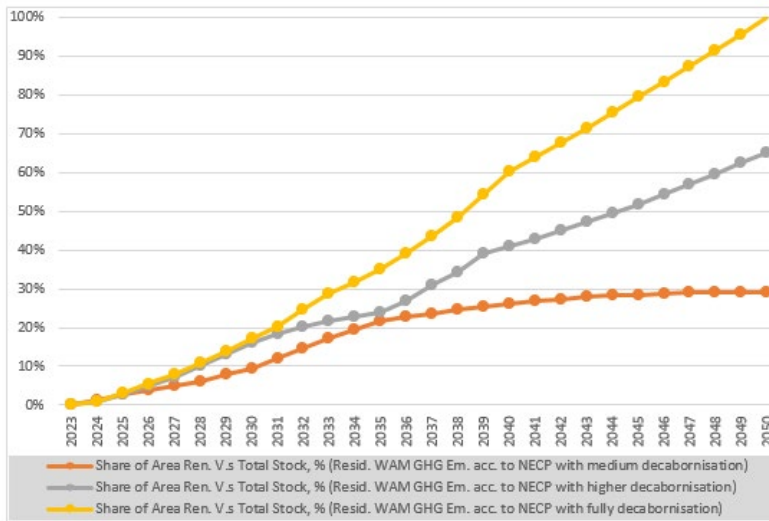
CO<sub>2</sub> saving targets according to (draft)NECP:



# Example 1: Albania

3 scenarios were calculated and discussed for each sector. Below the example for the residential sector.

Scenario 3: development of “decarbonised” buildings according to EPBD



# Example 2: Montenegro

## REEP is supporting the Ministry of Energy and Mining in implementing a Quality Control System for EPCs and inspection reports



- Start of the project: February 2025
- Expected duration: around 4 months
- Scope of work:
  - Develop a quality control system for building certificates (EPC) and inspection reports
  - Ensure findings of the quality control system will be included in training for auditors
  - Recommendations for the inspection of heating and air-conditioning systems

# Example 2: Montenegro

## Some benefits of a control system:

- An independent control system **increases trust in EPCs** among key stakeholders such as property owners, homebuyers and financial institutions.
- reliable EPCs will lead to an **increased awareness for energy efficiency** and creating a demand for energy efficient buildings.
- accurate EPCs will **better inform property owners, potential homebuyers and financial institutions** about energy efficiency improvements and their benefits (non-monetary as well as monetary).
- Reliable EPCs can **be linked to funding opportunities**, making it easier for stakeholders to access financial support for their projects.
- Reliable EPCs **offer valuable data** for the development and monitoring of policies and regulations.

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