CASH MAYORS' DECLARATION OF INTENT signed in Brussels, Belgium, 29 November 2012

To highlight their commitment in fighting fuel poverty through CASH Local action plans' pilot operations, Mayors, Mayors' representatives and Vice-President of Region, partners of the CASH network, signed a **Declaration of Intent** at the final CASH Conference held in Brussels, November 29, 2012. The Declaration, presented further on, which underscores the need for a European contribution to this effort within the new Cohesion Policy context, was officially handed over to the representative of DG Regional and Urban Policy, together with the programming criteria extracted from CASH learning by major actors of EU energy policies during the conference.



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Mayor Renzo Sulli Echirolles, France



Mayor François Garay Les Mureaux, France



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Mayor -Georgi Slavov Yambol, Bulgaria



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Mayor R. Sulli Echirolles, Lead Partner

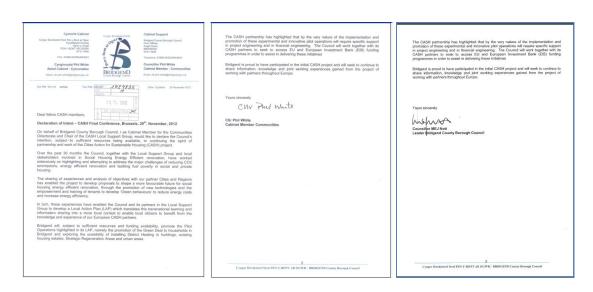
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- We, Mayors of the 10 cities and Vice-President of the region partners of the CASH network, have worked during 30 months - with the stakeholders involved in Social housing Energy Efficient renovation - on the major challenges of energy intensive social housing and fuel poverty;
- The sharing of experiences and the analysis of key obstacles, led to the elaboration of proposals to shape a more favorable future for social housing energy efficient renovation, which includes: technology easy to implement and to maintain on large scale operations over long timeframes, legal framework adapted to local needs and to the different components of EE renovation process, stable and coherent financial tools accessible to local stakeholders, innovative participative process allowing an empowerment of tenants and the development of appropriate behaviors, green local and diversified energy sources, as well as the upstream involvement of key renovation actors and the training of local human capital to reduce costs and increase efficiency.
- Our engagement as Mayors at local level and as Vice-President at regional level, is demonstrated through the elaboration together with Local Support Groups of our Local Action Plans;
- Our engagement is translated into Pilot operations' proposals integrated in our local action plans, which make the best use of the CASH knowledge gained from the network transnational exchanges;
- However, due to the experimental and innovative nature of these pilot operations, their
 implementation requires a specific support in project engineering and in financial
 engineering. In this sense, we expect as partners of a FAST TRACK project, the facilitation of
 the access to the new European Union structural funds and to specific European Investment
 Bank (EIB) programs.





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