

Engage4Energy: public engagement in the development of energy infrastructure as a crucial step towards acceptance and acceleration of the energy transition

The energy transition is changing the way energy is generated, distributed and stored. This has an impact on people and nature all over the world. In this context, public engagement is crucial to ensure that society's opinions, needs, and concerns are considered to enable a truly just and inclusive transition.

In this Task, launched in March 2023, we gather information on challenges and drivers of public participation, as well as best practices for the effective involvement of citizens and communities in energy infrastructure developments. The Task focuses on renewable energy production and electricity transmission and distribution.

This Task will deliver a good practice guideline, including a support tool to help decision-makers determine which stakeholders to engage with, at what point in the process and with which engagement formats. The outputs will benefit practitioners who implement energy infrastructure projects, as well as policymakers, who develop policies and plan investments for the energy transition.



Forward look for 2023

Task was launched in March 2023. You can find further information on our webpage **here**.



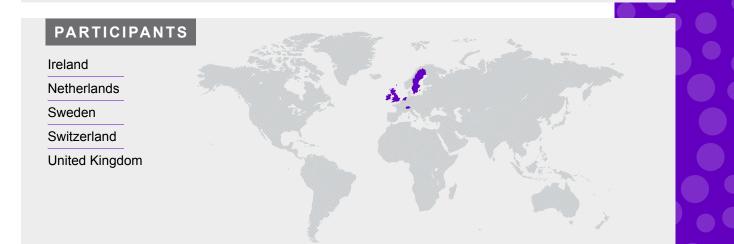
In spring, a **comprehensive literature review**, as well as **expert interviews** will explore different perspectives on public engagement within energy infrastructure development projects.

In summer, first results will be presented at the General Conference of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR).

In autumn, the Task leaders will hold a **stakeholder workshop** to collect and discuss good practices of public engagement in energy infrastructure projects.

Call for participation!

If you are a project developer in the energy field engaging with the public in infrastructure projects or you have been engaged as a stakeholder in consultation processes, please **contact us** if you wish to participate in our network of interested parties.



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