Promoting energy efficiency in Croatia

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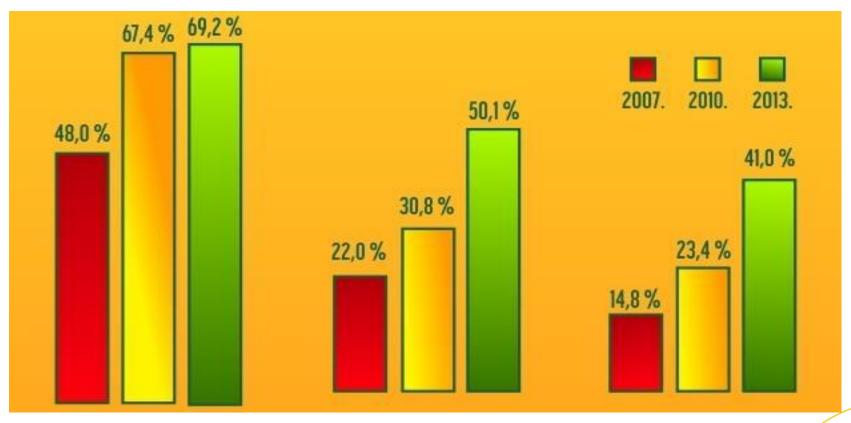
Energy efficiency project

- Dealt with energy efficiency at local and national level
- Started with an awareness campaign in 2007, which (over time) included various informational and educational activities:
 - National awareness campaign on energy efficiency measures in households
 - Toll free info line
 - Brochures, handbooks and other multi-media publications
 - National network of info-points for energy efficiency in cooperation with the "EE pool"
 - Website and Facebook profile of Gašpar Energetić





Awareness of EE in Croatia 2007-2013.



The use of energy saving light bulbs

The use of A+ household appliances

The use of energy efficient windows



Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund

- Established as an extra-budgetary fund, finances projects and activities in three basic areas: environmental protection, energy efficiency, and the use of renewable energy sources.
- Has the main role in financing EE measures but also in promoting them and educating the general public
- The beneficiaries are:
 - The local and national government (energy renovation of public buildings, efficient public lighting, energy management, energy efficient public transport...)
 - The companies (energy management, less polluting car fleet, ecodriving, energy renovation, low energy buildings...)
 - Citizens



Communication goals

- ✓ Raise interest in energy efficiency
- ✓ Educate the public on energy efficiency measures: energy renovation, clean transport, efficient home appliances
 - Explain the complex concept of energy renovation to the general public (its much more than just a new facade)
 - ✓ Highlight the benefits of energy renovation, electric cars or the use of A+++ appliances
- ✓ Ensure the availability of information





So... what is it that we do?



- Plan communication campaigns (including the promotional material)
- Translate complex definitions and make them relatable
- Point out what is important
- Communicate the success stories
- Organise events
- Work on many fronts (communicate, communicate, communicate)





National financing of energy renovation programmes for residential buildings

Up to 42% of total energy consumption in Croatia is used in buildings - 30% only in residential buildings



Energy renovation of family houses

- more than 88 mil €



Energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings

- more than **37** mil €



ENERGY RENOVATION OF FAMILY HOMES

▶ The campaign included:



- Promotional video: a motivational family story an example of a successful renovation – aired on national television and via social media
- Informative leaflets with information on energy efficiency and measures that can be financed
- More that 30 public events throughout Croatia
- Info office and toll free line for citizens



MOTIVATIONAL EXAMPLE OF ENERGY RENOVATION





The results of the campaign 2015.

- ✓ TVC: 30" and 45", DURATION: 3 weeks
 - MEDIA (in the analysis): 3 national TV stations (HTV, RTL, NovaTV)
 - OTHER MEDIA: 8 local TV stations, 20 radio stations, print ads

✓ TARGETED AUDIENCE: 25-65

✓ AIRINGS: 182

✓ CAMPAIGN BUDGET: 124.000 €

✓ CAMPAIGN REACH:

> 1+ **84,2%**

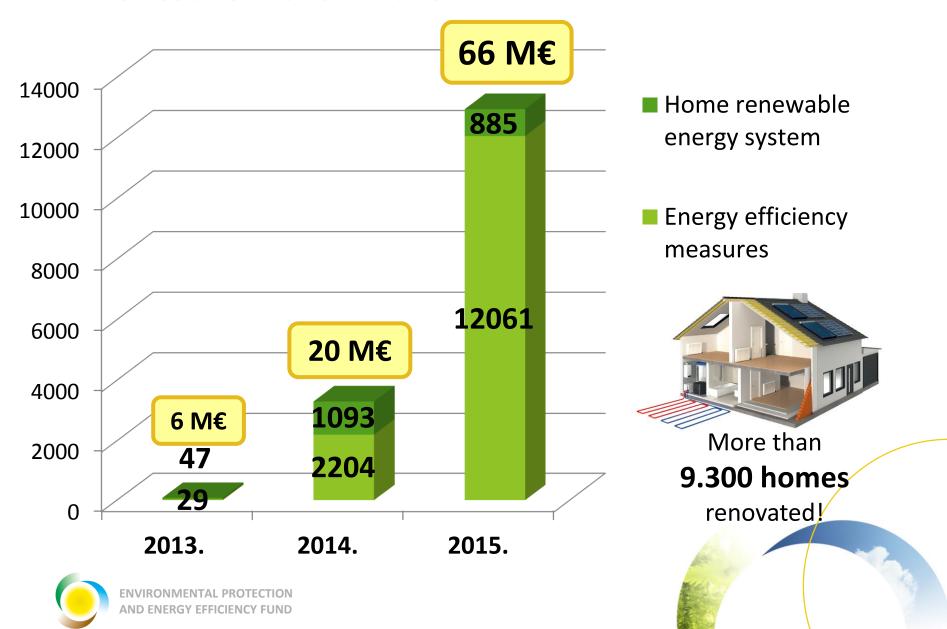
> 2+ 74,5%

> 3+ 63,3%





The results: 2013 – 2015



ENERGY RENOVATION OF MULTI-APARTMENT BUILDINGS

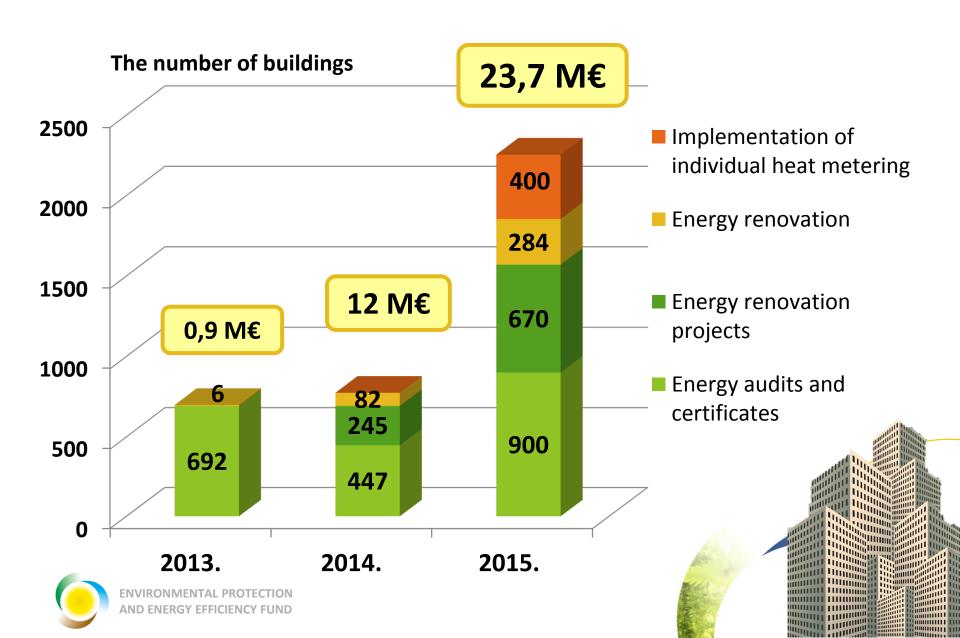
▶ The campaign included:



- Informative leaflets with information on energy efficiency and measures eligible for financing
- Workshops with property management companies
- More than 30 events throughout Croatia
- Info office and toll free line for citizens



The results: 2013 – 2015



INCENTIVES FOR THE MOST ENERGY EFFICIENT HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES (A+++)

WHY?

- ▶ 20% of energy in households is used by various appliances
- ► A+++ appliances spend 30-60% less energy than appliances in the A energy class
- ▶ About 180.000 appliances are bought in Croatia each year

► HOW?

► Enabling incentives for A+++ appliances:

1 person = 1 standard amount of incentive = 800 kuna

INCENTIVES FOR A+++ APPLIANCES

- Campaign "The green calculation" included:
 - Promotional radio clip
 - ► **Informative leaflets** with information about the energy efficiency of appliances, energy grades and the procedure of applying for the incentive
 - ➤ Cooperation with more than 500 stores in Croatia in **branding** the appliances, the stores, the catalogues and other direct mailing content
 - ▶ **Website** of the project, with the "real-time" countdown

Kupi A+++

kućanski uređaj i računaj na

800 kn državnih poticaja!

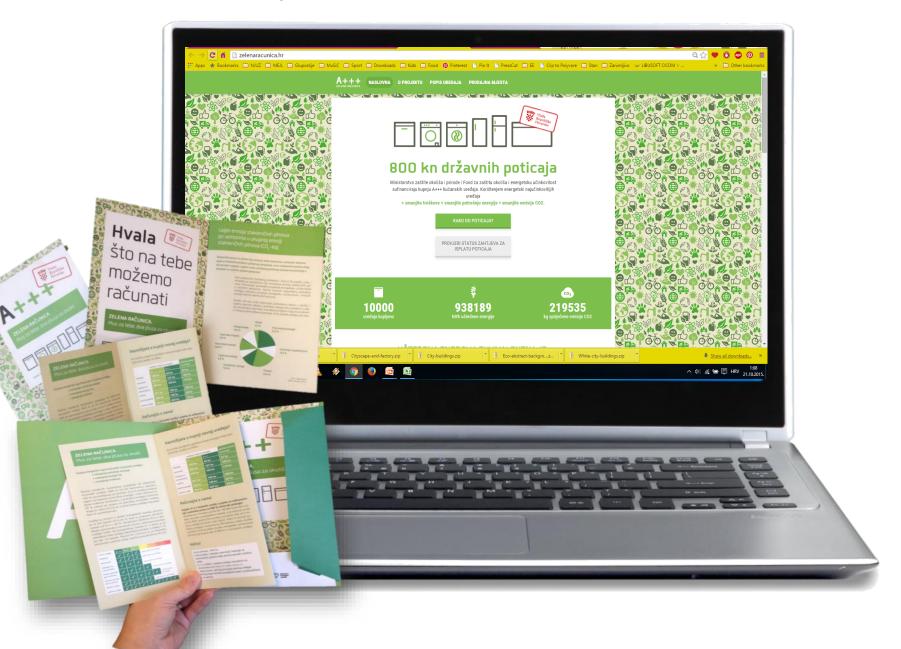


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THE WEBSITE, LEAFLETS AND THE BROCHURE



STICKERS FOR A+++ APPLIANCES

This fridge is melting your electricity bill.
Buy it and count on the 106€ incentive



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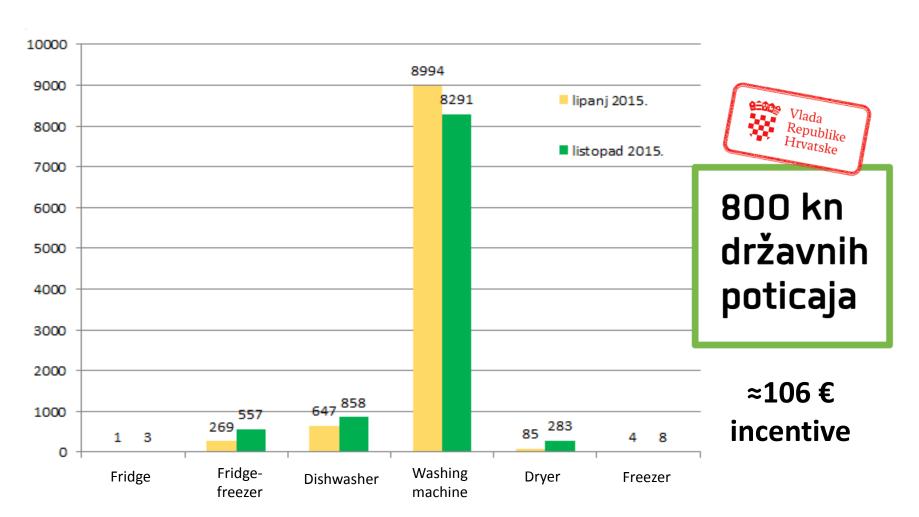






Results

- ▶ **20.000** appliances 16 million kuna of incentives
- 9 days in June and only 1 day in October!



2016 as a "game changer"

- We started using EU funds for the renovation of multi-apartment buildings
- Besides the definition of energy efficiency and energy renovation, people needed education on EU procedures as well – a new communication goal!



Financing the renovation of multi-apartment buildings from the ERDF

- Based on the OPCC, for the purposes of energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings, Croatia had available the amount of 70 million euro
- **1st call** published 17.10.2016, closed on 31.1.2017
- The initial budget of the call 20.267.000 euro
- The Fund had two roles:
 - Energy Efficiency Sector was appointed as technical assistance a team of experts was gathered within the Sector, with previous experience of working on renovation programmes; the main goal was to assist the potential users in preparing their projects and ensure the visibility of the programme
 - Intermediate Body level 2 is appointed for evaluation of projects and their further processing













How did we make this call "visible"?





An integrated approach!

- We planned multiple activities:
 - public relations
 - ✓ communication / education of potential users
 - the production of visibility materials boards, posters, banners, etc.
 - ✓ market research
 - ✓ scientific analysis
 - ✓ promotional campaign
 - dissemination of informative material for the users
- Apart from ensuring visibility, we also want to educate the public and motivate them to be more energy efficient















Best ambassadors = good examples and real people!

















Public relations - examples

Stiže EU novac za obnavljanje zgrada

objavljen najvjerojatnije 17. listopada i na raspolaganju je 152 milijuna kuna za zgrade kao cjeline, a staka cjelina može dobiti najviše 10 milijuna kuna. Očekuju se

Fond pomaže

upraviteljima u

pripremi projekata



Radionice o uvjetima energetske obnove zgrada

ENERGETSKA OBNOVA Za bolju toplinsku izolaciju poticaj od 13 milijuna kuna

Idealni kandidati starije zgrade bez toplinske zaštit

U prvoj fazi treba imati energetski certifikat, izvještaj o energetskom pregl projekt toplinske zaštite zgrade. To su preduvjeti da bi se projekt mogao kandidirati na natječaj

Cak 648 projekata prijavljeno za energetsku obnovu

Prvi radovi na zgradama kojima će biti odobrena sredstva iz Europskog fonda za regionalni razvoj očekuju se u lipnju

riva za eneroeisku opnovu zgrada PREMA NACIONALNOM PROGRAMU ENERGETSKE OBNOVE VIŠESTAMBENIH ZGRADA.

PLANIRALO SE GODIŠNJE OBUHVATITI POLA MILIJUNA KVADRATA, ALI PLANOVI SU PREMAŠENI

U 2017. uredit će se 'grad' veličine Sibenika

616 prijavljenih projekata čeka zeleno svjetlo, anjihova ukupna površina veća je od 1.4milinuna metara četvornih. Utim zgradama



vietlija, to je i gubita

: za čak 615 sredstava

Rijeka stan d.o.o. koji je ujedno j predsjednik Udruge Upravitelja elik odaziv i broj prijavljenih pro oiti dostatna za realizaciju obno e svih prijavljenih projekata. Od svakako Zadar i Slavonski Brod u skazali interes za energetsku obnovu. Tako će se u Zadru obnav jati 14 zgrada, a u Slavonskon

TERMOGRAFSKE SNIMKE Osin

postati prilika za male i 16.500stanova Srednje poduzetnil-Ušteda energije, manji računi i povećanje vrijednosti nekretni











Public relations - results

- We analysed the results of our PR work in the period from 17.10.2016 to 31.1.2017
- In that period, we:
 - organised 30 workshops all over Croatia
 - had surveys for the participants (500 responses) at the event
 - made quality analysis through Google forms after the event
 - Ensured great media coverage: 278 articles were published
 - Made a promo movie about the programme and our technical assistance
- Total budget for PR activities: 500 €

AVE (Advertising Value Equivalent): 1.181.000 €











The campaign

- The campaign for energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings has three goals:
 - promote the programme of energy renovation of multi-apartment buildings
 - raise awareness of energy efficiency measures and their outcomes
 - promote OPCC / EU funding
- It will include:
 - market research (before and after the advertising): awareness of energy efficiency and EU funding
 - 2. **motivation analysis** includes the users which already had their buildings renovated info on the savings, motivation for energy renovation, knowledge, the use of other EE measures...
 - 3. **Promo materials** (TV, radio, print ads; project webpage; brochure for the users; visibility materials; 2 promo movies; advertising)
- The budget: 211.000 €











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