

# IMEAS Networking event

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## Title of the event

**Escaping the unconnected silos: how to foster integration in low-carbon policy making and planning**

## Date and Venue

When: Turin, 28 June 2017, 9am-1.30pm

Where: in the premises of Fondazione per l'Ambiente – Turin School of Local Regulation, Via Maria Vittoria 38, Turin, Italy

## Scope and objective of the event

The objective of the event is a pragmatical engagement of relevant stakeholders and IMEAS observers to **share the IMEAS strategy of using a Multi-Level and Multi-Dimensional approach**. The final aim is indeed an innovative promotion of the domestic and transnational integration of **low-carbon energy policy making and planning** in the Alpine Macro Region.

Recently the policy makers at the local level in Europe have been giving a rather minor attention to the decarbonisation strategies, mainly because of social, political and financial issues in the EU territory. Such a step back at the local level was somehow mirrored at the international level by the failure on climate agreements at the recent G7 meetings on energy (Rome) and environment (Bologna) and of course by the recent decision of the US to pull out of the Paris Accord that went into force just a few months ago, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of November 2016.

The event wants to contribute to put low-carbon strategies and processes again on the top of the agenda of policy makers both at the local and national level. **The main call to action of IMEAS project is to tackle the problem of unconnected policy silos (both internally and among silos) in low-carbon policies and planning**. The discussion hopefully triggered among the invited stakeholders and observers will be invaluable to start developing policy, governance and communication mechanisms that could really foster a comprehensive and integrated approach among decision makers.

The workshop is a pilot initiative organized by IMEAS, focused on a sub-set of Alpine Space target territories so as to test a format that could be easily replicated in other parts of the Alpine Macro Region. **The core of the workshop is a broad round table** with short speeches from invited actors who will comment on the IMEAS approach and provide the audience with best practices and/or barriers encountered in the definition of integrated energy policies and planning.

The event is public with **mandatory registration** because of limited seats. Please send an email to [alice.gorrino@fondazioneambiente.org](mailto:alice.gorrino@fondazioneambiente.org) to confirm your presence within Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017 1 pm CET. The working language will be English.

*The event is organized in collaboration with the Interreg Alpine Space project PEACE Alps*



## Workshop program

9.00 Presentation by IMEAS Partners of a **brief position paper** aimed at tackling the problem of unconnected policy silos in low-carbon planning; communication of IMEAS first **survey results** (i.e. presentation of the survey results with a gap-analysis approach with respect to the position paper)

9.30 **Round table** made of short speeches by **IMEAS Observers** (in particular – but not limited to - IT, CH, FR) and other **invited relevant stakeholders**. All the invited speakers will give a short comment on the position paper and/or propose known barriers or best practices in their territories with regards to Multi-Level and Multi-Dimensional approach to integrated energy planning and policy making

Scheduled speeches from: Morges Municipality (M. Bungener), ENEA (A. Federici), Regione Piemonte – PEACE\_Alps project (S. De Nigris), CSI – Piedmont Information System Consortium (A. Ramassotto), IREN\* Multi-utility (S. Amelio), E4SMA (R. De Miglio)

11.30 *Coffee-break*

11.50 Wrap-up and Call to Action by IMEAS

12.00 Final remarks:

- Remarks by **Anders Bergström** (*Horizontal Action Coordinator HA Capacity within the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, Sweden*) on strategy integration
- Remarks by **Elodie Bossio** (*FEDARENE, European Federation of Agencies and Regions for Energy and the Environment, Belgium*) on the policy integration issues from the point of view of regional bodies
- Remarks by **Tania Molteni** (*IEFE Bocconi University, Italy*) on the multi-level governance in the framework of low-carbon policies
- Remarks by **Ulrich Santa** (*Casa Clima Agency, Italy and EUSALP Action Group leader on energy efficiency and RES*) on the potential fall-outs of IMEAS on the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region.

13.00 Closing remarks by IMEAS

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For further information about the Alpine Space IMEAS project, please visit the project website at: [www.alpine-space.eu/projects/imeas](http://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/imeas)

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