

Welcome to ENERGE



In this first edition of our Project Newsletter, we are delighted to introduce the ENERGE Project. Led by the National University of Ireland, Galway and funded by the Interreg NWE Project, ENERGE will address, with minimally invasive interventions, the issue of excessive energy use in post-primary schools in North-West Europe. The Project will be demonstrated in 12 demonstration site schools across North-West Europe and we look forward to introducing these schools in future newsletters. I hope that you will follow our project and engage the ENERGE Team.



Louise Hannon ENERGE Project Coordinator, NUI Galway

ENERGE Project Update

The first period of the ENERGE Project has been a busy one with the ENERGE Partners in each of the Demonstration Site countries connecting with the local Demonstration Site Schools and

completing first site assessments and proposals for locating indoor climate monitors and electrical metering equipment. The first metering is already installed in some of our demonstration site schools and our ENERGE Committees comprising students and teachers are established in our demonstration site schools throughout the region. A comprehensive comparative review of how energy is taught in post primary schools in the NWE Region has been completed highlighting significant variations that exist in both addressing this issue in the curricula and the post primary systems that exist. The Governance,

Administrative and Financial models in post primary in the region have been fully investigated and an individual country report summarising these for each demonstration site country is now available. Baselining of attitudes and behaviours with respect to energy consumption as well as monitoring of energy consumption and indoor climate will be the project focus over the next period.

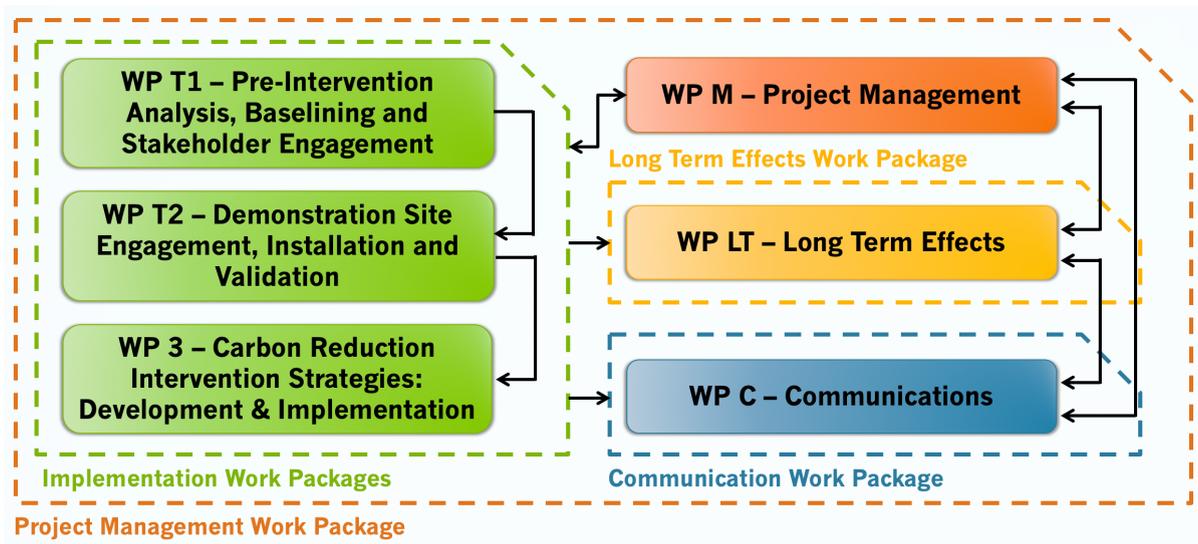
The ENERGE Team

The ENERGE Team is a multidisciplinary consortium representing academia, research, industry and local and regional bodies from Ireland, France, Netherlands, UK, Luxembourg and Germany.



The ENERGE Project Overview

Comprising 6 distinct work packages the ENERGE Project is a 4-year undertaking that will engage ENERGE Committees in each school representing students, teachers and staff.



ENERGE Launch Event - December 2019

The official launch event of the ENERGE project – INTERREG NWE took place in Orleáns in France on the 9th December 2019. This event was scheduled to coincide with a week-long regional climate event (regional “[cop](#)”) organised by project partner Région Centre-Val de Loire.

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NWE Impact Event - December 2019

The ENERGE project was presented at the NWE Impact event on 4th and 5th December 2019 in the Plaine Images facility, Tourcoing. The focus of our presentation was to discuss the empowering of schools to substantially reduce carbon footprint. It was also an opportunity to engage and make connections with other NWE projects and stakeholders.

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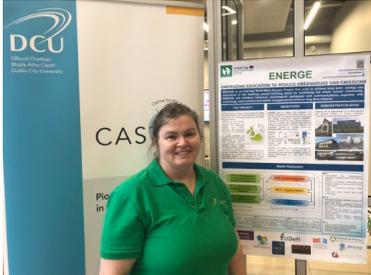
Visit to Demonstration Site School - December 2019

On December 2019, partners visited one of the 12 demonstration site schools: Lycée Gaudier Brzeska,



located near Orleans (France). They discovered the range of buildings and understand the technical and educational constraints owned by the school managers in the implementation of the project.

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ISTA conference - February 2020

On 8th February 2020, Eilish McLoughlin from CASTel DCU, represented ENERGE at ISTA conference in Dublin. The focus of the presentation was to discuss the energy reduction related greenhouse gas emissions in school buildings by enabling school communities to take an active role in their energy management.

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ENERGE Business Community

The ENERGE Business Community brings together professionals in secondary education, energy service providers and policy makers who have a drive to make our schools in North-West Europe climate neutral in a viable manner. The community will meet, discuss and exchange experiences, ideas and best practices during project workshops and events and continue the discussion on-line in our LinkedIn group.

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The ENERGE project consortium comprises the following partner and sub-partner organisations: Centre-Val de Loire Region, Delft University of Technology, CASTel Dublin City University, Energy Agency Region of Trier, University of Luxembourg, R2M Solution LTD, Powerpoint Ltd, Office Vitae B.V. and Galway City Council. It is coordinated by Louise Hannon and Eoghan Clifford at the National University of Ireland, Galway.

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