



10 Tips for Public Bodies to Enable Renewables for Heating and Cooling

Public bodies, or those bodies which have a role in the processes of national, regional or local governments, constitute an important position of leadership, but also a large demand for heat. There is great potential for public bodies to demonstrate the importance of renewable heating technologies. This list compiles possible actions for public bodies with the aim of assisting in the increased deployment of renewable heat.

- 1) Investigate the purchase of green heat or biogas from the local energy supplier.
- 2) Require a minimum (e.g. 20%) share of renewable energy to be supplied for heating demands in any new building of a public body institution, or any undergoing major refurbishment.
- 3) Investigate local, regional or national incentives or subsidies available to public bodies for the purchase of renewable heating installations.
- 4) Create a list of local suppliers and installers of renewable heating installations which may be used internally and/or distributed to the public.
- 5) Initiate trainings of renewable heating technology installers in the local area to build a strong supply chain network.
- 6) Distribute information on the benefits and importance of renewable heating.
- 7) Investigate local options for renewable heating contracting, an option especially viable for institutions with little budget available for upfront capital installation costs.
- 8) Organize a press conference associated with the installation of a public renewable heating installation in order to increase public awareness and consumer confidence.
- 9) Organize a cooperative of public institutions including schools, libraries and government buildings who are interested in promoting and demonstrating renewable heating technologies.
- 10) Actively encourage authorities to provide support for renewable heating and cooling.

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