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The UNDP project experience in Croatia as successfully example of digitalization and networking between scientific and national institutions







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Surroundings and challenges: Energy issue

It is obvious that present economic system is <u>UNSUSTAINABLE</u> and leads to the long-term damage to the global population and environment!









Facts:

- Population will rise,
- Energy demands would rise,
- Environmental issues would be more severe,
- Resources utilization would be more intense.

Necessity for **Energy Transition&Change of bad habits** is one possible **respond** to the present issues as well as future global population challenges! **Key aspect of ET is digitalization**!



Digitalization application areas



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Digitalization is complex task...



Different factors that have impact on success of digitalization



Sustainable energy management in public buildings: Removing barriers to energy efficiency in Croatia (UNDP project)



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FOND ZA ZAŠTITU OKOLIŠA I ENERGETSKU UČINKOVITOST



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MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND CRAFTS

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Main goal of the project

Continuous process of monitoring and improvement of energy efficiency

- people with responsibilities,
- monitoring efficiency procedures,
- energy consumption indicators,
- defined objectives for improvements (EE projects),
- establishment of education chain in different layers.

Ministry of Economy, Labour and Entrepreneurship

United Nations Development Program



Fund for environmental protection and energy efficiency (FZOEU)





SUSTAINABLE ENERGY MANAGEMENT (SGE project)



EMIS - Energy Managment Information System



FES

Provided education for EMIS users (1,550 educated users)





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- ✓ EE teams
- Investment departments,
- Building managers,
- Employees



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Conclusions:

- ✓ Digitalization is important driver and one of the key features in necessary energy transition and it already affected societies in various aspects,
- Digitalization creates collaboration opportunities and networking between academic and national institutions,
- Critical barriers related to the successful digitalization are mainly linked with lack of sufficient human resources, investments in IT equipment and finally education in all layer of societies,
- ✓ More intense collaboration between academic and national institutions is needed in order to better understands specific needs and to secure sufficient labour capacities.





Thank you for your kind attention!

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