



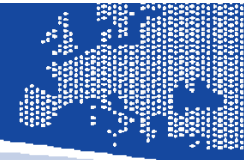
Cohesion Policy support for Sustainable Energy

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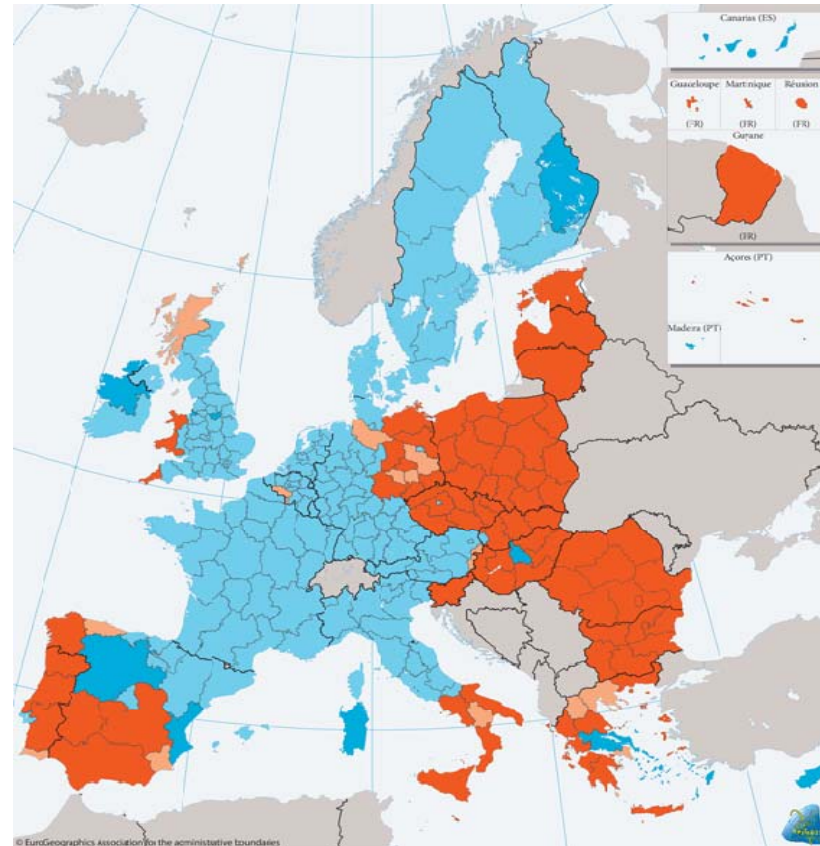


Solidarity in practice: The EU Cohesion Policy

2007-2013: **347 billion euro** invested for less well-off regions or citizens in infrastructure, business, environment and training of workers

- ▶ **Regional Fund**
- ▶ **Social Fund**
- ▶ **Cohesion fund**

-  Convergence objective: regions with GDP per capita under 75% of the EU average. 81.5% of the funds are spent on this objective.
-  Regional competitiveness and employment objective.



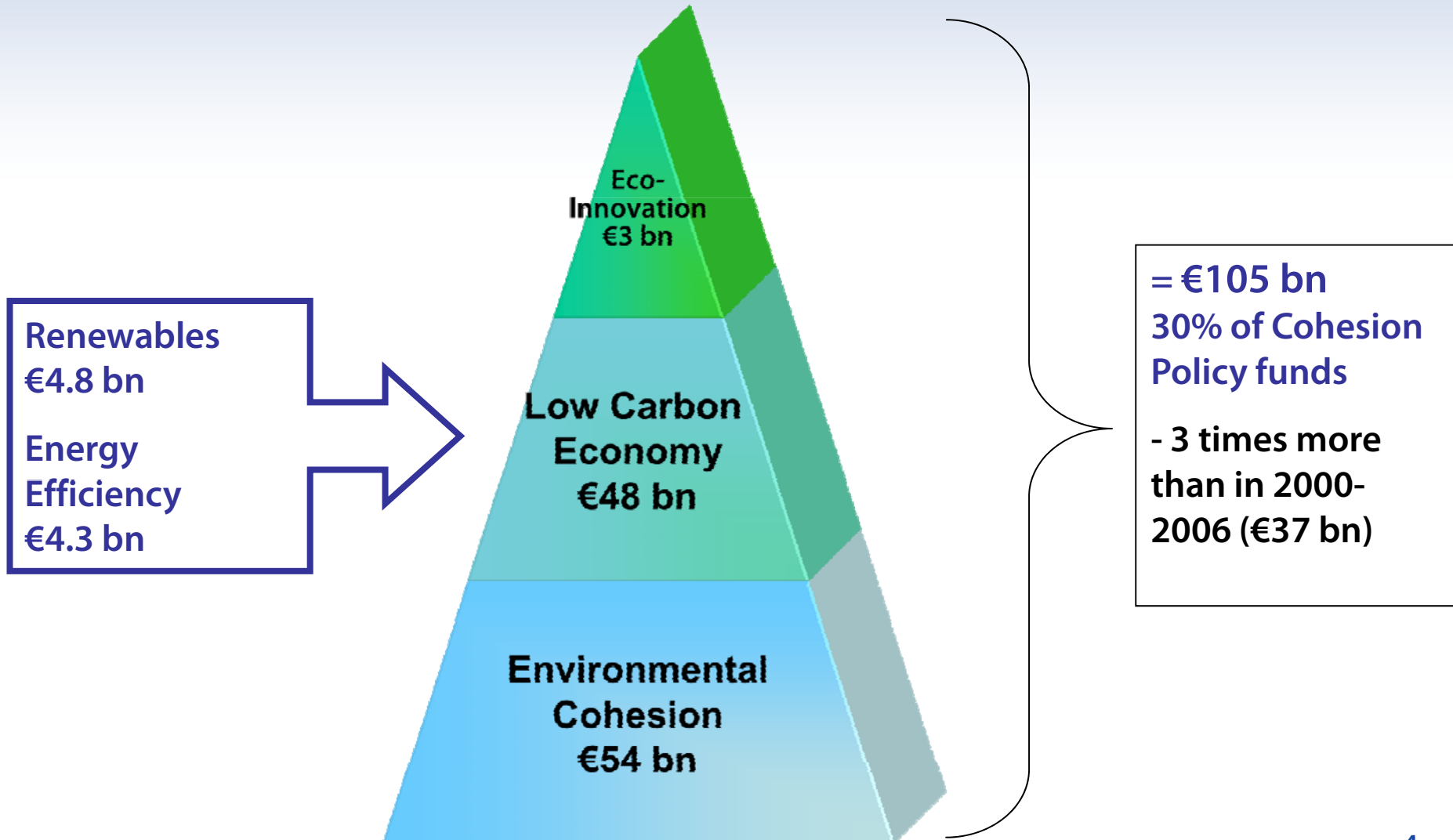


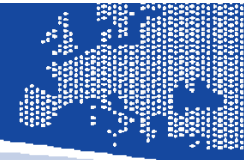
Background on Cohesion Policy (CP) and Sustainable Development (SD)

- **SD: overarching long-term goal of the EU**
- **CP: a “place-based” policy**, offering a unique opportunity to integrate key EU policies
- **CP: specific procedures** such as programming, integration, partnership - facilitating a comprehensive approach to meet regional needs
- **SD/CP: about promoting a low carbon, knowledge-based and resource efficient economy**

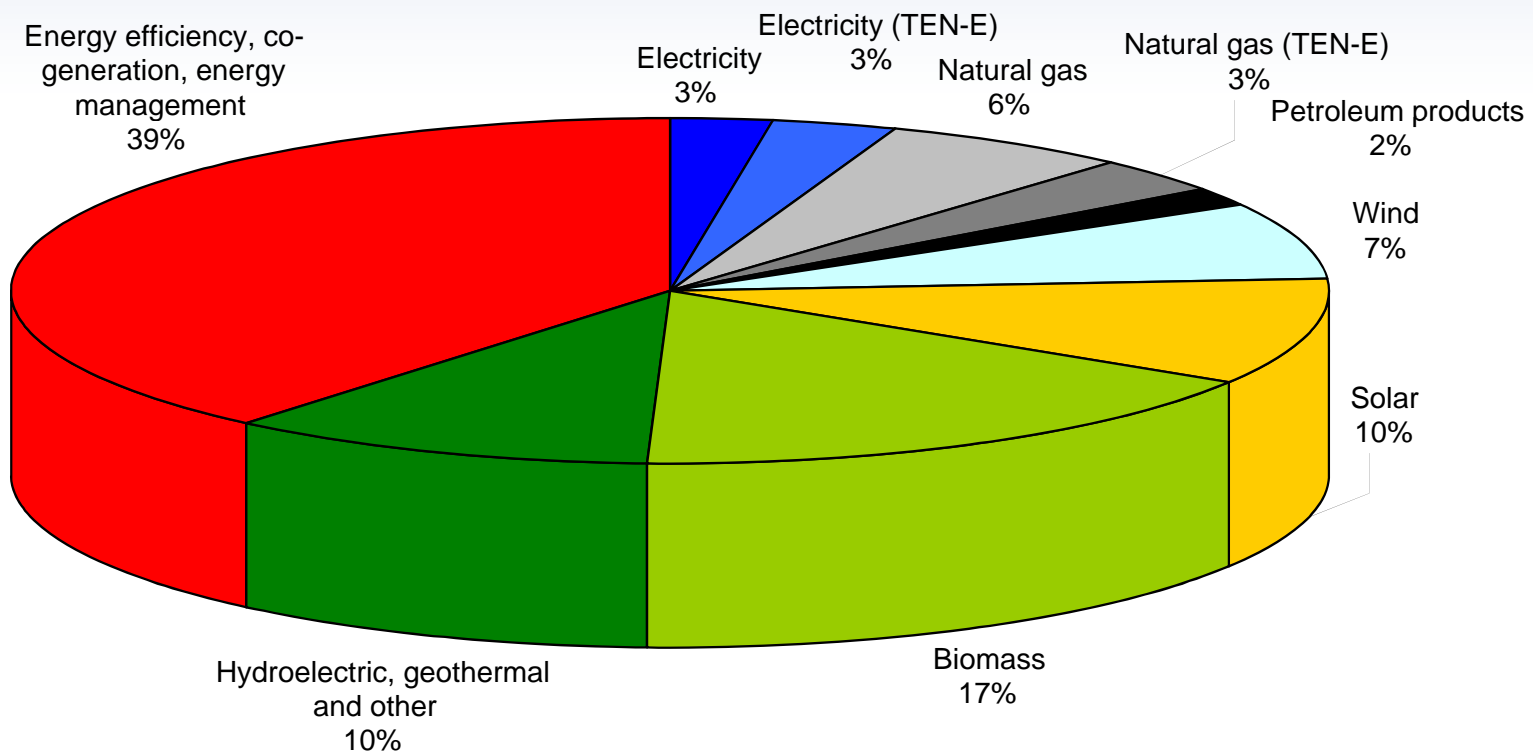


“Green economy” investments 2007-13



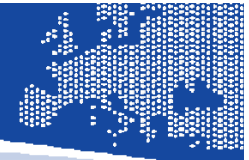


CP allocations to Energy Sector

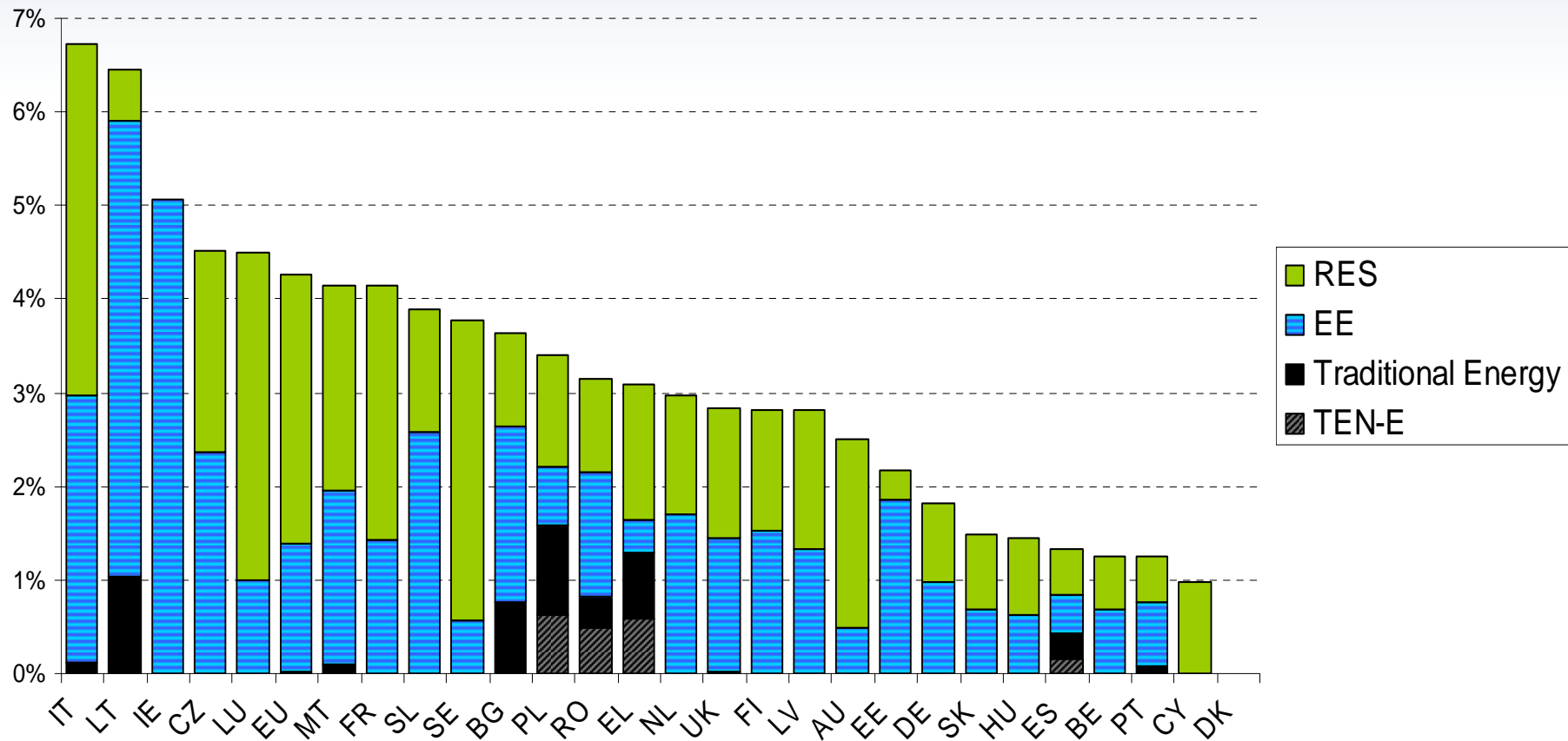


2007-13 Total = €10.8 billion (3.1 % of total)

€9 billion sustainable energy. €1.8 billion traditional energies & interconnectors.



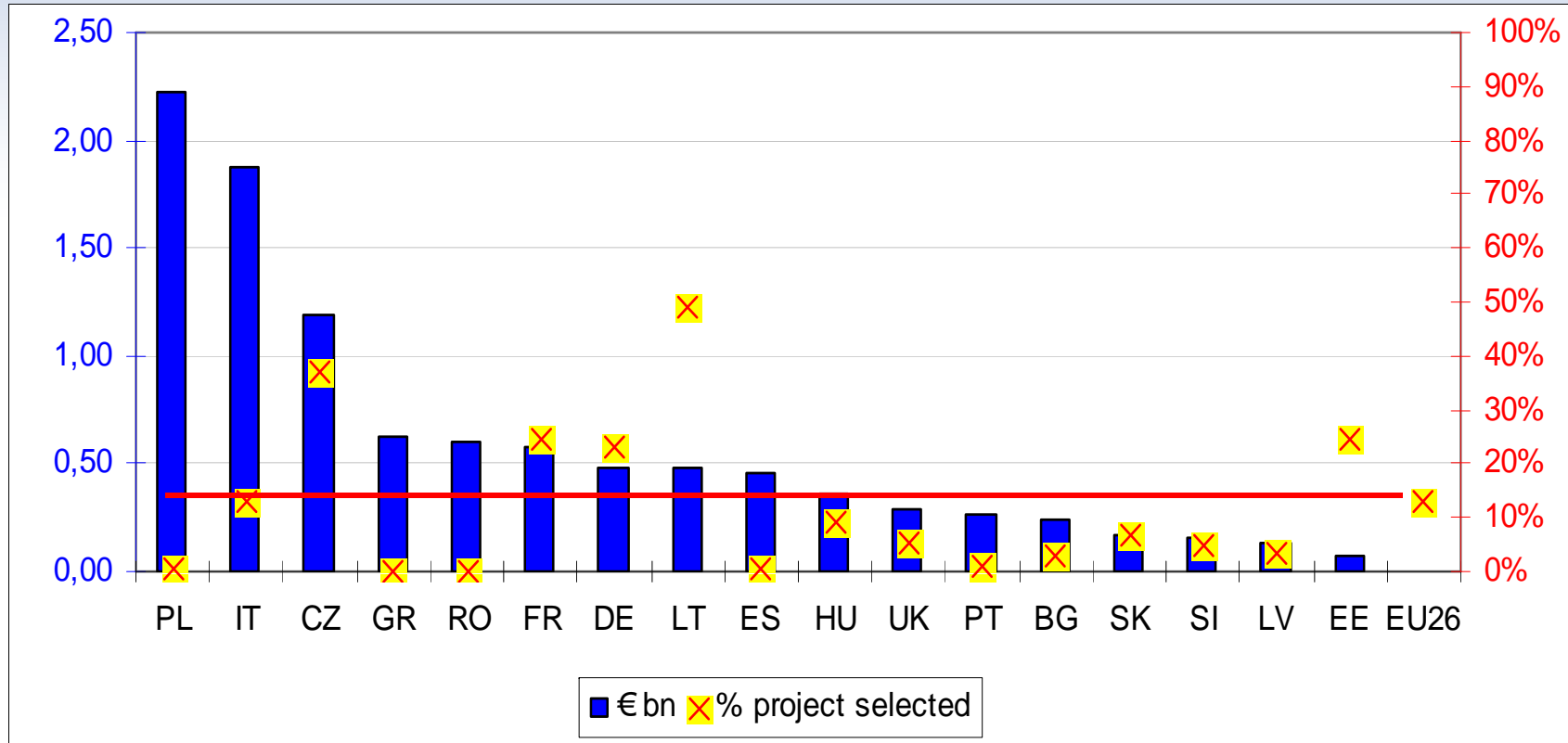
Allocations to Energy Sector as % of total CP allocations per MS 2007-2013



Source: Infoview 2009



Progress Energy priorities



Codes 33-43: € 10,8 bn available

Average project selection 13,2% = 1,4 bn €

Slow progress – PL, IT, GR, RO, ES, HU, PT, BG, SK, SI, LV



Focus on sustainable energy

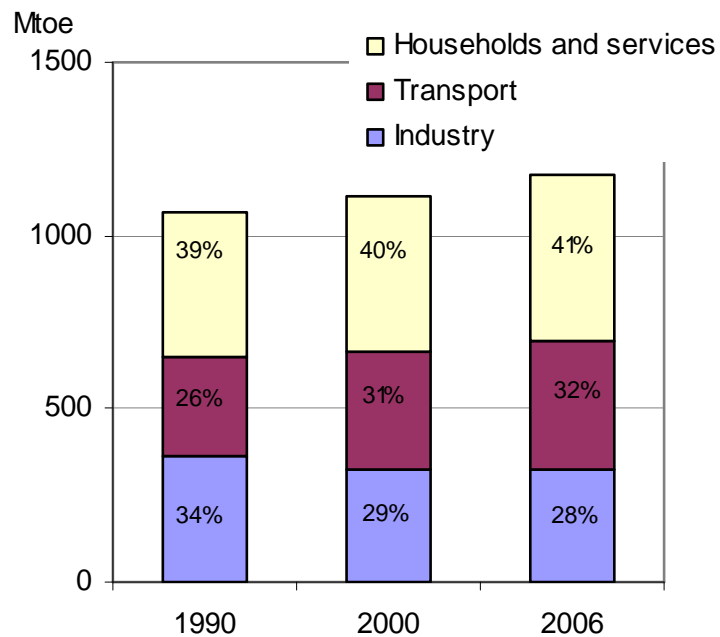
- Amendment ERDF Art. 7 – eligibility for RES & EE investments in housing (adopted May 2009).
- Allocation to EE and RES investments in residential sector cannot exceed **4%** of the total ERDF allocation to the MS for 2007-13.
- MS shall define categories of eligible housing in national rules with objective of supporting **social cohesion**.
- No requirement to modify OPs.



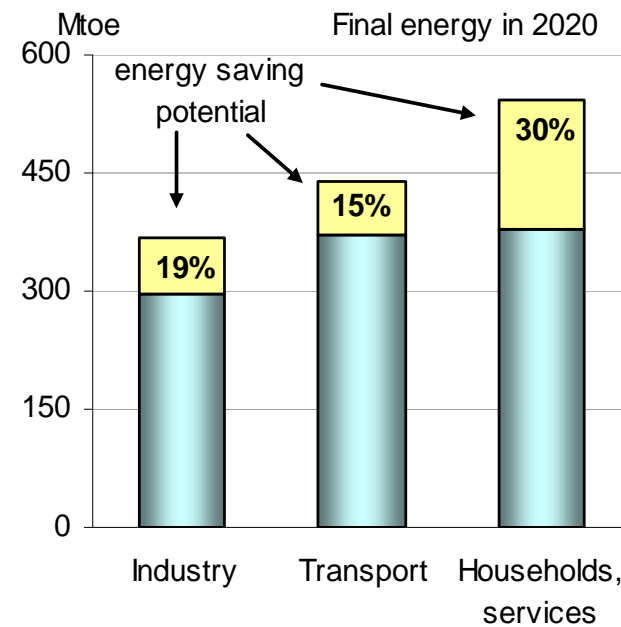
EE Priorities

EU final energy consumption & potential for reduction by sector

Development of the final energy consumption by sector (EU-27)



Estimated energy consumption reduction potential in 2020





More information / Applying for funding

Project examples:

http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/projects/stories/index_en.cfm

List of managing authorities:

http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/manage/authority/authority_en.cfm

Practical Guide to EU funding opportunities for Research and Innovation:

http://cordis.europa.eu/eu-funding-guide/home_en.html