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POLIMP Monitor, issued twice a year for a three-year period (2014-16), aims at the timely delivery of news and information outside the POLIMP activities, which might be of interest to policymakers, stakeholders and interested citizens. Each issue offers a round-up of the previous six months' major developments, with links to the full text of each corresponding news item, analysis or official document. These links are presented per topic. This overview is complemented by an editorial note that reports progress in POLIMP work to mobilise and transfer knowledge. In this way, POLIMP Monitor presents the latest development in POLIMP and external sources of information in a unique package to interested observers.

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EDITORIAL

POLIMP welcomes Stakeholders to Dialogue and the Brussels Workshop

Financed under the 7th Framework Programme (FP7) of the European Union, the POLIMP project aims at mobilising and transferring knowledge on post-2012 climate policy implications, through coordinating and supporting action. Since its launch in May 2013, one of the major pillars of activities has been to support EU policy makers in organising the processes for stakeholders' consultation at both, EU and international level.

As reported in the 1st issue of this Monitor series, the first step was to invite EU stakeholders to identify knowledge gaps per key topics of climate policy. As a second step, the POLIMP project ran a series of preparatory dialogues, in several EU member states, such as the Netherlands, Poland, Austria/Hungary and Greece, focusing on specific topics that are regarded as of high significance in knowledge gaps and of high priority in the regional or national policy context. The dialogues, in form of multi-stakeholders meetings or bilateral interviews, intended to collect timely feedback from participants and to feed them in the designs of the first stakeholders' workshop.

As a third step, the POLIMP Stakeholders' Workshop series aims at engaging stakeholders in consultation with researchers, from the early stage of developing and framing policy agenda. This approach enables stakeholders to provide researchers with early feedback to preliminary analysis on knowledge gaps and to help them to further develop evidence-based policy recommendations. Entitled as "Exploring technology options for the EU transition to a low-carbon economy: The role of public acceptance to enhance predictability of low-carbon technology investments", the first Workshop took place at the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) in Brussels in April 2014. It focused on the potential for the EU to achieve a long-term transition with aid of low-carbon technologies (e.g. renewable energy, CCS). In particular, the objective of the workshop was (1) to assess these technology options in relation to their public acceptance at EU, member states and (2) to explore the role of public acceptance in enhancing the predictability of low-carbon technology investments towards 2030. Speakers represented DG Climate Action, Ministry of Environment, Poland, Statnett, BASF,

Doosan Power Systems, CAN-Europe and WWF. POLIMP researchers reported the dialogue's outcome with feedback gained from stakeholders in Poland, Austria, Hungary and the Netherlands.

Among other messages, participants generally agreed that predictability in policies and projects could be improved by enhancing public acceptance and informing the public about the proposed structure or/and designs as early as possible. Moreover, incorporating major outcome of discussions during the Workshop, the POLIMP Policy Brief was finalised, published and distributed to a broader network of stakeholders and interested citizens established under the POLIMP project.

The POLIMP project has continued part of the preparatory dialogue in Austria/Hungary as well as in Greece, in preparation for the second Stakeholders' Workshop. The second Workshop will take place in London in October 2014, focusing on financing measures to support renewable energy. Speakers include representatives of EU institutions and member states, finance and research communities. The London Workshop will be expected to contribute to the finalization of the second Policy Brief which could be presented at the side-event for the 20th Conference of Parties (COP20) in Lima, Peru. In this way, the POLIMP project will remain active and firmly committed to driving the stakeholders' consultation process until the end of the year 2014.

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FEATURED PROJECTS

This list is compiled for indicative purposes only. In 2014, POLIMP Monitor continues to develop the list of featured projects as POLIMP expands its coordination with other funded FP7 projects, as well as, hosts of existing and new knowledge portals.

2.1 Seventh Framework Programme (FP7)

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- Combining Policy Instruments to Achieve Europe's 2050 Climate Targets (CECILIA2050). <http://cecilia2050.eu>
- Assessment and further development of the European climate policy (ENTRACTE). <http://www.entracte-project.eu>
- European Responses to Climate Change: Deep Emissions Reductions and Mainstreaming of Mitigation and Adaptation (RESPONSES). <http://www.responsesproject.eu/index.html>
- Policy-Science Interactions: Connecting Science and Policy Through Innovative Knowledge Brokering (PSI-CONNECT). <http://www.psiconnect.eu>
- Post-Carbon Cities of Tomorrow (POCACITO). Website under construction.
- Carbon Consumption- Based Accounting and Policy project (Carbon –CAP). <http://www.carboncap.eu/>

2.2 Non-FP7 Projects

- Energy Saving Policies and Energy Efficiency Obligation Schemes (ENSPOL). <http://enspol.eu>

2.3 Knowledge-sharing platforms

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- Climate Change Information Network (CCiNet) (hosted by the UNFCCC) http://unfccc.int/cc_inet/cc_inet/items/3514.php
- Technology Information Clearinghouse (hosted by the UNFCCC) <http://unfccc.int/ttclear/pages/home.html>
- Climate and Development Knowledge Network (CDKN) <http://cdkn.org>
- Climate Change Knowledge Portal (CCKP) (hosted by the World Bank) <http://sdwebx.worldbank.org/climateportal/index.cfm>
- WeADAPT (Stockholm Environment Institute SEI) <http://weadapt.org/>
- ClimateTechWiki (UNDP / UNEP) www.climatetechwiki.org

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