



Collection of existing financing mechanisms - case: Austria

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Question	Answer		
1. General information			
Name of partner	Graz Energy Agency (GEA, PP11)		
Type and number of schools chosen for pilots	Primary	Elementary	College
	0 (no pilots in Austria)	0 (no pilots in Austria)	0 (no pilots in Austria)
Who is the legal owner of schools	In the City of Graz owner of the above-mentioned school categories is the city itself (Department of real estate). In some cases (i.e. leasing finances) the owner is the "GBG" (building and construction management Graz) -owned of the city of Graz.		
Who pays utility bills and regular maintenance for schools	City of Graz, department of Education and Integration of Foreigners, partly via GBG - Gebäude- und Baumanagement Graz GmbH (so the GBG is trustee)		
What is the source for those costs	local authority budget		
Who is responsible for making decisions on implementation of energy renovation projects	"GBG" reports the need and cost estimation to the city of Graz (Department of Education and Integration). In coordination with the city of Graz, the priorities in the area of school renovation are determined and planned		
What is the source for the cost of energy renovation	Any energetic sanitation needs a resolution for granting a special budget. - so the costs for energetic sanitations are not included in the fixed annual budget for school building repairs.		
Which department (sector, institution) is responsible for implementation of energy renovation (in public buildings)	City-owned company GBG - Gebäude- und Baumanagement Graz GmbH		
2. Financing EE projects using own funds			
Do you have funds in your budget allocated for EE projects in public buildings	Yes		No
			There is just one general budget reserved for any construction project in public buildings within one year (EE projects need to be approved via a special resolution of the municipal council)
Do you have funds	Yes		No

in your budget allocated for EE projects specifically in schools				There is just one general budget reserved for any construction project in schools within one year (EE projects need to be approved via a special resolution of the municipal council)
Have you already implemented EE projects in schools using own funds	Yes			No
				There was “no need” since the buildings are not older than 40-50 years - more precisely the expansion of educational room was more important within the last decades
3. Financing EE projects using credit or loan funds (debt)				
Is this kind of financing available for you?	Yes			No
	Source (commercial bank, development bank, other)	Interest rate	Repayment period	No extra loans are possible. The school and renovation budget has to fit to the global budget of the city. Financing is a overriding topic decided by the financial department. In fact parts of the global budget is credit financed, but not for single projects.
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Do you have plans to invest in EE projects in schools using this model	Yes			No
				No
Have you conducted EE project in schools financed by credit or loan funds (debt)	Yes			No
				No
4. Financing EE projects using grants, subsidies or other incentives				
Is this kind of financing available for you?	Yes			No
	Source (national, EU funds, other)	Grant rate %	Max. amount of grant per project	
1. EU (i.e. ELENA) 2. national (Umweltförderung, KPC) 3. Klima- und Energiefonds				
Do you have plans	Yes			No

to invest in EE projects in schools using this model		Basically Yes, but there are other priorities at the moment
Have you conducted EE project in schools co-financed by grants, subsidies or other incentives	Yes	No
5. Financing EE projects using ESCO model		
Is this kind of financing available for you?	Yes	No
	It sounds interesting	
Do you have plans to invest in EE projects in schools using this model	Yes	No
	No plans yet, but potential ideas for possible user cases	
Have you conducted energy efficiency project in schools financed by such models?	Yes	No
6. Financing EE projects using PPP model		
Is this kind of financing available for you?	Yes	No
	Yes it`s possible, but basically not in the interest of the city of Graz.	
Do you have plans to invest in EE projects in schools using this model	Yes	No
	There is one current project - Reininghaus (built by BIG, rented by the City of Graz)	
Have you conducted energy efficiency project in schools financed by such models?	Yes	No