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Abbreviations

ESCO Energy Services Company

ECM Energy Conservation Measure

EPC Energy Performance Contract

PBT Pay-Back-Time

SME Small or Medium sized Enterprise

WP2 Literature review and needs analysis

WP3 Needs and opportunities for SMEs

WP4 Development of content for SPEEDIER Training material

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1 Executive summary

The present document summarizes the results achieved in WP4 (Development of content for SPEEDIER training materials) and more specifically in Task 4.5 (Finance and Implementation Models).

The procedure is summarized in *Figure 1*.



Objective

The aim of this activity is to properly define the SPEEDIER innovative ring-fencing mechanism and to identify a set of contract models



Actions

Ecosystem analysis: identify the market players involved in the SPEEDIER service delivery

Business contract identification: identify a set of possible business contracts to govern the business relationships among the different market players, i.e. the SPEEDIER Expert and the SMEs, the SMEs and the energy efficiency provider



Methodology

Lessons learnt from WP2 and WP3

Knowledge sharing between Consortium partners

Desk research and calculations

FIGURE 1 – OBJECTIVE, ACTIONS AND METHODOLOGY OF DELIVERABLE 4.7

The main results can be summarized as follows:

- The ring-fencing mechanism consists of the implementation of no-cost ECMs, identified by the SPEEDIER tool, and the usage of the achieved savings in order to finance low-cost ECMs. Then, the saving achieved with the implementation of low-cost ECMs can be used to implement medium-cost ECMs. Finally, the saving achieved with the implementation of medium-cost ECMs can be used in implementing high-cost ECMs. This mechanism can be applied to all-size companies and the achieved savings can be of two different types: energy savings and non-energy savings.
- Companies can choose to support the SPEEDIER innovative ringfencing mechanism with their own- or third-party financing mechanisms that can be introduced at any step of the ring-fencing mechanism, except from the no-cost ECMs.
- As far as the relationship between the SPEEDIER Expert and the company is concerned, a traditional consultancy contract, where the company pays for the SPEEDIER Expert knowledge, without any implication upon results, can be the standard contract signed between the SPEEDIER Expert and the company. Apart from this standard contract other innovative contracts to rule the relationship between the SPEEDIER Expert and the company have been identified, such as a a "staged approach" contract, a "shared saving" contract. The identified contract models will be linked to the different steps of the SPEEDIER Service Definition outlined in D4.1.
- As far as no-cost ECMs are concerned, these ECMs can be implemented directly by the company itself under the guidance of the SPEEDIER Expert. Hence for this



- type of ECMs, there is the sole relationship between the SPEEDIER Expert and the company.
- Considering low/medium/high-cost ECMs, a relationship between the company and an external market player, i.e. an energy efficiency provider, should be implemented under the guidance, support, advice of the SPEEDIER Expert. There are both traditional contract models and innovative ones that can be implemented in order to govern the relationship between the energy efficiency provider and the specific company.