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### **EUREM Award Winners 2018 @ International EnergyManager Conference**

On November 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, Prague was the European Capital of Energy Management. At the 9<sup>th</sup> International EUREM Conference, 170 participants from 22 countries presented sustainable energy projects from their companies, exchanged experiences and heard about the newest energy efficiency trends in six workshops on Energy Audits, Mobility Management, Energy Efficiency in Compressed Air Applications, in Cooling & Ventilation, in Steam, Process Heat & Heat Recovery, and last, but not least, on the Role of Digitalization in Energy Management.



Dr. Robert Schmidt, president of the EUREM Steering Committee, emphasized the importance of seeing not only small individual solutions, but keeping the whole energy system of a company in focus. “Successful sustainable energy efficiency projects combine cost reduction, environmental benefits and security of energy supply”, Dr. Schmidt stated, and underlined that by now almost 6,000 EUREM EnergyManagers worldwide make a contribution to improving energy efficiency.

The projects that won this year’s EUREM Awards are excellent examples.

For instance, Czech EUREM alumnus Martin Vrba won an award with a solution for Lasselsberger s.r.o., a producer of ceramic tiles. “Using waste heat from kilns for the spray dryers for the ceramic sludge drying process, we can annually save about 11,500 MWh of natural gas consumption. This brings real cost savings of about 220,000 Euro per year”, Vrba said.

Further awards in the categories Small, Medium and Large companies went to EnergyManagers from Argentina, Austria, Bulgaria, Egypt, Germany, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Spain.

Find out more about the Award winning projects, and the event itself in the [conference proceedings](#) and at [our homepage](#) and mark your calendar: The 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference for European EnergyManagers is going to take place in May 2020 in Athens, Greece.

### **EUREMnext Project started**

The EUREM conference was already one of the big highlights of the [EUREMnext project](#). This initiative, which was launched in March 2018, receives EU funding from the Horizon 2020 programme and will make the highly effective EUREM **training available in 6 more countries** (see article below).

In addition, the project partners will develop **complementary training modules**. Mainly e-learning based, they are planned to provide an overview on topics like Industry 4.0 & Energy Efficiency, Mobility Management in Businesses, Energy Audit Standards EN 16247 & ISO 50002, Employee

Motivation & Communication of Energy Issues, without extending the presence time of the courses. An additional practical module will teach the design and evaluation of sustainable energy measures using a tool specifically adapted for EUREM. Last, but not least, a range of **optional extra activities** for those course participants or alumni, who prefer more in-depth information or support with carrying out energy audits or implementing energy measures, is also being prepared.

Find out more at: <https://www.energymanager.eu/en/euremnext-project/>.

### Coaching IHKN: First Training in Albania started successfully

The first of the new EUREM countries to start a course was Albania, where a group of more than 25 motivated trainees from various industry sectors embarked on the path towards more energy efficiency knowledge in October 2018. This is part of the EUREMnext project.



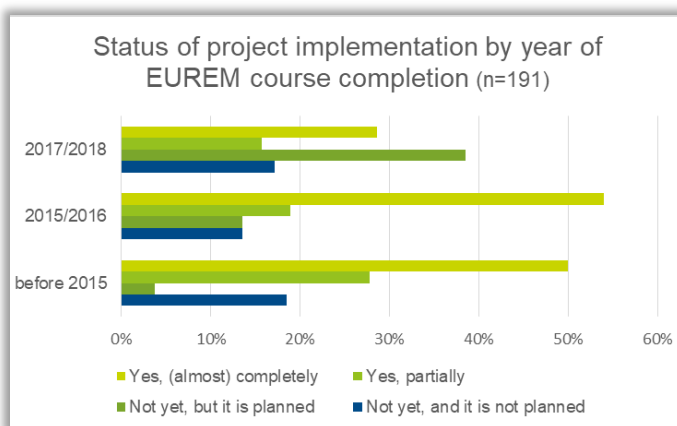
**Courses in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Estonia, Latvia, Serbia, and Turkey will start in 2019.**

Interested? Let the [training provider in your country](#) know and you'll be informed, as soon as details are available!

### EUREM Alumni Survey Results

The EUREM providers continuously work on improving the training. 360 EUREM Alumni from 20 different countries participated in a survey that was conducted to find out what additional support would help Energy Managers implement even more sustainable energy projects. **A big thank you goes to everyone for their contributions!**

The ideas for optional activities proposed to be developed as part of the EUREMnext project were considered useful by the respondents. Thus, an "on the case" coaching related to energy audits, coaching on how to best present sustainable energy projects to decision makers and investors, and regular alumni meetings to exchange experience and be updated on new developments will be tested in the 12 project countries.



We were delighted to see that **about 82% of respondents in EU countries and 88% in non-EU countries** said their **projects were implemented** (at least partially) or are planned to be implemented. Most Participants also **reported having implemented additional sustainable energy projects** at their own or at client organisations. This ties in well with the results of previous surveys, and so the responses to this survey confirm once more, that the **EUREM courses worldwide support participants in preparing implementation-ready concepts for energy measures.**

The participants, alumni and providers of the EUREM training are set to continue their work – which over the years has been supported several times by EU funds – according to the EUREM motto **“Proud to Save!”**

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