

PROJECT ACRONYM AND TITLE: TranspArEEnS - MAINSTREAMING TRANSPARENT ASSESSMENT OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIAL GOVERNANCE RATINGS

FUNDING PROGRAMME: Horizon 2020

CALL: H2020-LC-SC3-2018-2019-2020

HOST DEPARTMENT: DEC, Department of Economics

SCIENTIFIC RESPONSIBLE: Billio Monica

FINANCIAL DATA:

Project total costs	Overall funding assigned to UNIVE
€ 1.487.957,50	€ 421.876,25

ABSTRACT: Improving access to long-term finance for Energy Efficiency (EE) projects is key to achieve the EU2030 targets and aligning the COVID-19 recovery to the European Green Deal. However, the lack of standardized disclosure of EE investments limits firms' access to EE financing. Further, poor understanding of EE information in ESG ratings increases the risk of greenwashing, thus preventing a smooth development of the sustainable finance market. TranspArEEnS addresses these barriers by mainstreaming a qualiquantitative framework for standardized collection and analysis of firms' EE and ESG information and the development of a standardized EE-ESG rating. This serves as an EE-ESG filter to inform investment and financial policy decisions with regard to portfolios' alignment to sustainability. A unique added value of this project is to cover non-listed Small and Medium Enterprises, meeting an important market need. TranspArEEnS' EE-ESG rating will be tested in pilot case studies and capacity building sessions with leading representatives of the financial industry and supervisors. This allows to understand barriers and opportunities for its operationalization in: i) credit risk assessment, ii) development of long-term EE-financing via securitization (covered bonds, European Secured Notes), and iii) introduction of EE-ESG considerations into monetary policies and prudential regulations. By enhancing standardized disclosure of EE investing, TranspArEEnS will decrease uncertainty in the EE and ESG market, thus promoting the scaling up of new EE financing and investment opportunities in the EU. Moreover, it will help to mitigate the risk of greenwashing thus improving financial stability. An excellent Consortium, composed of leading academic, business and financial experts, with the support of key stakeholders in EE and sustainable finance, ensures the policy and market relevance of the project's results.

Planned Start date	Planned End date
01/06/2021	30/11/2023
PARTNERSHIP:	

1 Ca' Foscari University of Venice (UNIVE)	Italy	Coordinator
2 CRIF S.p.A.	Italy	Partner

3 European Mortgage Federation-European Covered Bond Council (EMF-ECBC)	Belgium	Partner
4 Modefinance srl	Italy	Partner
5 Leibniz-Institut für Finanzmarktforschung SAFE e.V. (SAFE)	Germany	Partner