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**ERA-NET SMART ENERGY SYSTEMS
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ERA-Net SES Virtual Working Group Meetings, November-December, 2018

The annual series of [Virtual Working Group \(WG\) Meetings](#) has taken place from November to December 2018. In each Working Group, interesting insights have been gathered to eventually compile the 2018 edition of Spotlights & Policy Briefs in the field of Consumer & Citizen Involvement, System Architecture and Implementation Modelling, Storage and Cross Energy Carrier Synergies, Regulatory and Market Development, Interoperability and Standardisation.

- **Policy Briefs:** The ERA-Net SES Knowledge Community unites scientific experts in smart energy systems. On the basis of their profound expertise, these researchers develop an informed opinion of key aspects which, according to their perspective, should be considered by policy makers. With its working groups, ERA-Net SES provides a platform for initiating and developing the expert discussions regarding the messages of the research community to the policy makers.
- **Spotlights:** The newsletter-type documents provide a collection of findings of ERA-Net Smart Energy Systems projects and the Knowledge Community. Spotlights keep projects and experts updated on the ongoing activities and intermediate results of the initiative. Spotlights concentrate on specific topics with high relevance for the different Working Groups, which are deemed as generally interesting and worthwhile to be shared with project participants and practitioners. All Knowledge Community experts are invited to discuss and comment the Spotlights. Based on the final versions of the Spotlights the respective Living Documents are being kept up-to-date.

Take a look at previous Spotlights & Policy Briefs on [expera](#) and provide feedback via discussion forums or comments.

All ERA-Net SES projects & Working Group members are invited to contribute to the development of the Policy Briefs & Spotlights. Drafts for the 2018 edition of Spotlights and Policy Briefs are planned to be ready by the beginning of 2019. They will be available for discussion on [expera](#).

In order to have access to all session files and to participate in the Working Group discussions, please **officially register as a Working Group member** by contacting the Support Team: knowledgecommunity@eranet-smartenergysystems.eu.

Final ERA-Net SES Project Reporting in January 2019

The final project reporting period of the ERA-Net SES projects will start January 15, 2019 and last until March 31, 2019. Please prepare by **informing us who will be responsible** for the reporting from your project and ensuring all of them are registered on [expera](#).

The final ERA-Net SES project reporting complements the reporting on national level. As previously, the ERA-Net SES Call Management and Support Team will evaluate your answers. While **Call Management** forwards reported **budget- and progress-related results** to the funding agencies, the Support Team evaluation focuses on the **progress, activities, first results, knowledge community contributions and impact** of the projects. Further, the input will be used to assess the impact of the ERA-Net

SG+ initiative as a whole. To that end, parts of the final report will be used for the initiative's reporting to the European Commission. Moreover, reports can be made available to the respective funding agency if requested.

Following your wishes and recommendations from former reporting periods, some improvements have been made to our **reporting tool on expera**. Nonetheless, you will be able to **build on previously entered information**. A manual for the project reporting will be distributed by January 15, 2019 at the latest to all ERA-Net SES projects. In order to allow for a smooth reporting process, **please inform us until January 14, 2019** which project member(s) will be **responsible(s) for your project's reporting** and make sure they are registered on [expera](#). In case the same members as last year will report, notification is not necessary.

ERA-Net SES events 2019

Even if your project is going to end in 2019, you are more than welcome to join our **Family of Projects Event** currently planned **for autumn 2019 and other Knowledge Community events**. We would very much appreciate to keep you as member of our Family of Projects, which we consider as very valuable and an opportunity for cooperation and exchange. Particularly, the Family of Projects Event will allow the sharing of results and discussing current challenges among ERA-Net SES projects. More information will be provided in due time.

Family of Projects booth at events in 2019

Fairs and conferences always provide an interesting opportunity for presenting project results and establishing valuable contacts. Please let us know **until January 31, 2019** if you would be **interested in sharing a booth in a high-profile energy event** in 2019. Projects can present themselves individually next to the family as whole.

Of course, joint project booth of ERA-Net SES projects are welcome at any event. If you are already **planning to exhibit at a specified event**, please let us know until January 31 and we will connect you with other projects of the family participating as well.

ERA-Net SES Family of Projects Event in Magdeburg, September 17-19, 2018

We would like to thank once more all projects for their contribution to the success of the ERA-Net SES Family of Projects Event 2018. We witnessed lively discussions among projects during and in between the sessions. Among the highlights, the **peer-to-peer feedback sessions** and the initialisation of the **Working Group** on "Regional Matters" stand out. If you would like to know more, review the minutes of the event [here](#) and in the respective WG repositories.

General Information on ERA-Net Smart Energy Systems

ERA-Net Smart Energy Systems (ERA-Net SES) is a transnational joint programming platform of 30 national and regional funding partners for initiating co-creation and promoting energy system innovation. The network of owners and managers of national and regional public funding programs along the

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innovation chain provides a sustainable and service-oriented programming platform to finance projects in thematic areas like smart power grids, regional and local energy systems, heating and cooling networks, digital energy, smart services, etc.

Co-creating with partners that help to understand the needs of relevant stakeholders, we team up with intermediaries to provide an innovation eco-system supporting consortia for research, innovation, technical development, piloting and demonstration activities. These co-operations pave the way towards implementation in real-life environments and market introduction.

Beyond that, ERA-Net SES provides a Knowledge Community, involving key demo projects and experts from all over Europe to facilitate learning between projects and programmes from the local level up to the European level.

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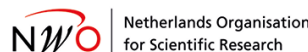
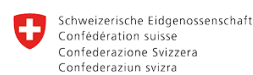
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