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# General information about the next steps

**Information event on the implementation of the first NER 300  
Call for Proposal**

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**Unit C.1, Low Carbon Technologies  
DG Climate Action**

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## Legal basis for NER 300 funding programme

- Article 10a(8) of ETS Directive 2003/87/EC: Mechanism for the financing of CCS and RES projects, covering 300 million allowances from the ETS new entrants reserve
- Decision 2010/670/EU ("NER 300 Decision"): Rules for the selection and implementation of those projects, monetisation of allowances and management of revenues
- Commission Implementing Decision C(2012) 9432 final ("Award Decision"): Awarded projects and award conditions under the first NER 300 Call for Proposals

# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Awarded Projects (1)

- € 1.5 billion were available for the co-funding of projects covered by the Award Decision from the monetisation of the first 200 million allowances
- Each project receives up to 50 % of relevant costs, with a limit of 15 % of the total available allowances over the two rounds of calls for proposals per project
- The threshold per project was fixed at € 337 million on the basis of the sale of 200 million allowances

# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Awarded Projects (2)

- No awarded CCS projects
- 23 awarded RES projects in 16 subcategories
  - **Bioenergy**
    - BIOa: SE Pyrogrot
    - BIOc: SE Gobigas phase 2
    - BIOd: FR UPM Stracel BTL, NL Woodspirit
    - BIOe: FI Ajos BTL
    - BIOg: IT BEST, PL CEG Plant Goswinowice
    - BIOh: DE Verbiostraw
  - **Concentrated solar power:**
    - CSPc: EL Minos, ES PTC50-Alvarado
    - CSPe: EL Maximus, CY HeliosPower
  - **No awarded Photovoltaics project**

# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Awarded Projects (3)

- **Geothermal:**
  - GEOb: HU South Hungarian EGS Demonstration
- **Wind:**
  - WINa: DE Veja Mate, DE Innogy
  - WINd: FR Vertimed, PT Windfloat
  - WINe: AT Windpark Handalm
  - WINf: SE Windpark Blaiken
- **Ocean:**
  - OCNa: IE Westwave
  - OCNb: UK Sound of Islay, UK Kyle Rhea Tidal Turbine Array
- **No awarded Hydropower project**
- **Distributed renewable management:**
  - DRMc: BE SLim

# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Implementation principles (1)

- Funding under the NER 300 Decision is awarded to projects which make use of technologies which are innovative in relation to the state-of-the-art in the key substreams for each technology.
- The technologies selected for funding are not yet commercially available, but sufficiently mature to be ready for demonstration at pre-commercial scale.
- They also have a high replicability potential, and therefore offer significant prospects for cost-effective CO<sub>2</sub> reduction both in the European Union and globally.

# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Implementation principles (2)

Member States to disburse funds to project sponsors of the 23 awarded RES projects on the basis of a Legally Binding Instrument containing the following elements:

- project and awarded funding
- date of entry into operation
- requirements for knowledge sharing, including intellectual property ownership and licensing
- requirements for disbursement
- requirements for reporting
- information on conditions of applicability of the award decision



# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Implementation principles (3)

- Disbursement takes place annually
- Disbursed amount: Amount of energy produced for RES, multiplied by funding rate
- Disbursement limited to 5 years for RES from date of entry into operation that is set out per project in the Award Decision and must take place latest 31 December 2016
- Disbursement only if Project Sponsor reaches final investment decision until 18 December 2014
- Disbursement only if knowledge sharing requirements are met for and in a particular year

# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Role of the Commission

- Overall responsibility
- Provided specifications for the Legal Binding Instruments in Annex 3 to the Award Decision
- Provides guidance on reporting and knowledge-sharing requirements
- Assesses and confirms compliance with knowledge sharing requirements
- Approves disbursement of revenues
- If necessary, adopts amended Award Decision on any changes to the projects

# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Role of the Member State

- Liaises with Project Sponsor and Commission
- Establishes and signs legally binding instrument with Project Sponsor
- Submits reports on the implementation of the projects to the Commission
- Confirms the verified amount of energy produced by projects to Project Sponsor and Commission
- Confirms the final investment decision to the Commission
- Ensures knowledge-sharing within RES community
- Submits payment requests to the Commission
- Disburses revenues to the Project Sponsor
- Returns non-disbursed revenues to the EIB
- Notifies Commission of any proposed changes to the project

# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Role of the Project Sponsor

- Liaises with Member State
- Signs Legally Binding Instrument with Member State
- Ensures date of entry into operation of project
- Informs Member State about the final investment decision
- Reports on project implementation and energy produced to Member State
- Provides relevant knowledge to the Commission
- Submits payment request to Member State

# The first NER 300 Call for Proposals: Role of the EIB

- Liaises with Commission and Member States
- Monetised the allowances of the first call
- Manages the revenues
- Disburses revenues to Member States



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