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The Project

TESLA AIMS AT ENERGY COSTS

reduction in the European co-ops in the agro-food sector, by promoting good practices on energy efficiency through an alliance among Spanish, French, Portuguese and Italian Cooperatives, Universities, Technological and Research Centers.

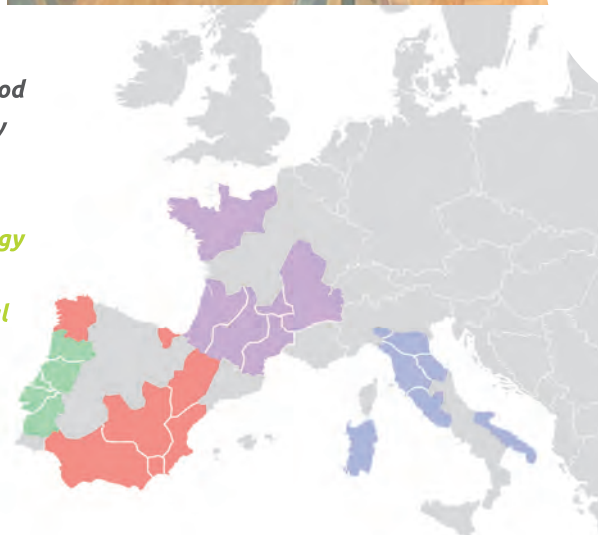
Besides the concrete savings for the cooperatives audited, the project also promotes the access to the acquired knowledge on equipments, techniques and procedures, which will be a real breakthrough for European cooperatives in comparison with previous energy consumption behavior.

The project will be applied to 110 cooperatives in the following agro-food sectors: animal feed factories, fruits and vegetables processing plants, olive oil mills and wineries.



Specific Objectives

- *Improve the accessibility of agro-food cooperative SMEs to energy efficiency assessment*
- *Deliver a comprehensive methodology on energy management, adapted to European agro-food industries special characteristics.*
- *Boost energy efficiency and renewable energies investments in agro-food SMEs.*



TESLA REGIONS FOR AUDITS

Main Outputs

- *Training in energy efficiency audits for the four national co-ops organizations technical staff.*
- *110 energy efficiency audits in agro-food cooperatives (30 / 20 per country).*
- *20 brokerage events for SMEs (5 per country), to present project results and bringing together equipment providers, food sector and TESLA members.*



- *Handbooks on energy efficiency (1 set per each TESLA agro-food sub-sector), including energy saving measures that will be easily transferred to all sectors.*
- *Best Available Techniques (BAT) documents for food industry engineering installation projects on the 4 sectors involved in the project.*



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equipment and technology providers for the agro-sector, energy advisors, etc., will benefit from participating in the project through a wide contact with the cooperatives. Key actors can participate in the collection of the Best Practices distributed to auditors, propose their best technologies and make tailored investment propositions. Moreover, brokerage events, organized in each country, will be a real opportunity for cooperatives and providers to be in touch and discuss best available technologies.

ENERGY AUDITS to agro-food COOPERATIVES are a great opportunity for identifying the most efficient measures to implement in order to save energy and money.

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