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## RENOINVEST Newsletter | April 2026 Edition

Accelerating Sustainable Building Renovations Across Central Europe

### About the RENOINVEST Project

Co-funded by the EU LIFE Programme, RENOINVEST promotes smart building renovation in Austria, Hungary, and Slovenia through stakeholder engagement, financing tools, and policy support.

### European Commission launches new energy efficiency financing package

On 10 March 2026, the European Commission presented a new package to support energy efficiency financing, including a report, a recommendation on mobilising private investment, and guidance on setting up one-stop shops for renovation. For the building sector, it offers a clearer framework to combine advisory support, technical assistance and financing solutions to scale up renovation activity. Read the full article [here](#).

### March roundtable in Austria focused on municipal financing

On 12 March 2026, RENOWAVE.AT and IIBW held a national roundtable in Austria on financing energy-efficient municipal renovations under EED III. The event showed that municipalities need practical financing solutions, stronger advisory support, reliable building data and more collaboration to move from obligation to implementation. Speakers highlighted one-stop shops, energy service models, innovative loan structures and better use of EU and national funding as key tools for scaling sustainable renovation in the public sector. More Information of the event available on the [website](#). ( the picture was made on one previous roundtable event.)



## RENOINVEST Publishes Policy Analysis and National Policy Briefs

As part of its final knowledge outputs, RENOINVEST published a comparative [Policy Analysis](#) on sustainable building renovation policies and market capacities in Austria, Hungary and Slovenia. The findings highlight key barriers, including fragmented governance, limited long-term financing and knowledge transfer gaps, which are addressed through the project's [National Action Plans](#). Developed with stakeholders through roundtables and expert discussions, the Action Plans translate these challenges into practical measures to support investment and large-scale renovation. National [Policy Briefs](#) further summarise the key recommendations for policymakers, helping move from analysis towards implementation and climate-neutral buildings.



## Affordable housing and energy efficiency are now being treated together

The European Commission's Affordable Housing Plan places stronger emphasis on energy efficiency as a key tool for reducing housing costs. It also links housing affordability to the March 2026 Citizens' Energy Package and the new energy efficiency financing package, reinforcing the message that affordable housing and affordable energy must be addressed together. [Read more here.](#)

## Endorsement Letter Process Still Open

Although the RENOINVEST project formally ended on 1 April 2026, the uptake phase is already underway. More than 40 key stakeholders have already endorsed the measures proposed in the National Action Plans, and further support is still welcome. Relevant organisations and experts are invited to submit additional Letters of Endorsement. To support the Action Plan, please contact the project coordinator at [hujber.dorottya@kti.hu](mailto:hujber.dorottya@kti.hu)

## Watch the Project Story

As RENOINVEST enters its final month, the project video offers a timely opportunity to revisit its core message: advancing smarter investment in sustainable building renovation through stronger cross-sector cooperation. [The video is available on the RENOINVEST website and on YouTube.](#)

## Thank You for Your Contribution!

As RENOINVEST comes to a close, we sincerely thank all partners, stakeholders and experts whose commitment made the project possible. Their contributions have strengthened the foundations for smarter investment in sustainable building renovation, while the collaboration initiated by RENOINVEST will continue through the national Energy Efficiency Financing Coalition (EEEFC), supporting further dialogue and implementation.



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