



HEKA'S ELENA ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACTIVITIES HELENA -PROJECT

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ELENA European Local Energy Assistance

Helsinki city housing company (Heka)

Heka is 100% owned by the city of Helsinki Heka is a non-profit company

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Apartments total 50 000 tenants 91 000

Largest apartment-owner in Finland





New buildings



New buildings



Older buildings

HELENA -project

- As the first Finnish operator in the field, Heka has been granted € 1,8 million ELENA funding by the European Investment Bank for optimizing the energy-efficiency of residential buildings.
- The multi-objective optimization for our 170 residential buildings which will be deep renovated within next three years.
- The life cycle carbon footprint (CO2eq) will be calculated for each solution.
- Duration: October 2020 September 2023.



ELENA – European Local ENergy Assistance

• A joint initiative by the EIB and the European Commission under the Horizon 2020 programme.

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- Provides support to three sectors: sustainable 1) Energy, 2) Residential and
 3) Transport
- A key objective of the ELENA facility is to contribute to the development and implementation of Investment Programmes in a way that achieves a minimum ratio/leverage factor between the total investment amount and the amount of the ELENA grant.
 - Minimum leverage factor between 10-20
- Can cover up to 90% of eligible project development costs:
 - technical studies, energy audits, business plans and financial advisory, legal advice, tendering procedure preparation, project bundling, project management

It does not cover costs related to the investment itself heka

ELENA – European Local ENergy Assistance

- Supports energy investment programmes above 30 M€
- The numbers of HELENA:
 - Total value 2 M€
 - Heka funds 0,2 M€ of the eligible costs (10 %)
 - The value of Heka's investment program cirka 70 M€
- Duration of the ELENA supported projects: 3-4 years
- From preparing the application, getting through the process and receiving approval of the funding took about one year.

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Objectives in Helena -project

- The goal is to reduce the energy consumption of each building to be renovated by approximately 40% through multi-objective optimization study
 - This can be achieved by combining different measures: building envelope renovation, heat recovery systems and the installation of building integrated PVs of optimal energy efficiency measures and building-integrated renewable energy sources
- Also aim to discover
 - guidelines for the future renovation projects using the findings among the great mass of optimization studies
 - new innovative solutions to improve energy efficiency



How are chosen the most appropriate packages for every building

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- The process:
 - Building audit
 - Making 3D Model of the building
 - Making Energy model
 - Optimization process using optimization tool MOBO (Multi Objective Building Optimization) created by VTT and Aalto university (qualified simulation program).
 - Selecting the optimal solutions considering the objectives





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