SHOWE-IT

"Real-life trial in Social Housing, of Water and Energy efficiency ICT services"

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SHOWE-IT is a demonstration project with clear objectives



"...a cost-effective, easy replicable **ICT-based** services that significantly reduce energy and water consumption **in social housing**"

•Energy and water consumption reduction between **15% and 20%**

- Deepen insights into **social aspects** of energy consumption patterns
- •Demonstrate socio-economic viability of ICT-services



The project consortium consist of 12 partners and 3 pilot sites



Pilot sites:

- Botkyrkabyggen (Tuna, Sweden)
 108 apartments, (Pilot group: 64)
- Cité Nouvelle (Ecully, France) 66 dwellings (Pilot group: 40)
- Rochdale (England)
 9 dwellings





Tablet interface provides real time consumption data



SHOWE-IT covers high complexity of a home energy management system...





The project has the pilot and control groups

Pilot Group	Control Group
Electricity consumption Cold & hot water consumption Gas real time consumption Heating	
Training sessions	
In-home display (tablet) (Near) real time metering Heating remote control Water uses identification	



In Sweden the installation is 100% complete

Installation Status: 100%







In France the installation is almost complete





In England the installation is 100% complete

Installation Status: 100%









Preliminary results of data analysis show savings in the energy consumption

In Sweden:

Heating 14% - 38%

Based on 1 month consumption – April 13

Electricity – savings

No exact estimate due to the holiday period.

For comparison the average saving in residential dwelling from all ICT projects: *

•Gaz : 12%

- •Electricity: 8,4 %
- •Hot Water : 6,9%
- •Cold Water : 6,3%

*http://eemeasure.smartspaces.eu/



Tenants are not engaged unless they see clear financial benefits

Problems with engaging tenants in participation:

- •Lack of trust between the tenant and SHC
- Suspicion of metering the 'big brother' effect
- Lack of motivation
- No interest in sustainability
- •Unwillingness to change lifetime habits

What matters: financial initiative

Variations of the buildings infrastructure led to the installation problems

Electricity :

-meters in different places
(staircases, basement, dwellings)
-different types of meters
-UK: need for SO pulse meters
-France: secondary meter with existing tariff meters

Gas:

-France: communal heating-Sweden: district heating (no gas)-UK: variety gas meters in different places (7 variations of gas meters)

Heat metering:

-France and Sweden: Heating Cost Allocators -England: heat meters in boiler circuits

Server:

- UK: buildings are far away from each other – local mini server with 3G connection

Knowledge and experience of the installers was proven to be relevant

SHOWE-IT Technical Coordinator:

"The installed components were **new to the market** (in Sweden) with the result that the installers are unfamiliar with them. This has led to many **difficulties** in diagnosing problems during and after installation, as a result **of 'learning by doing'.** "

Should we train installers or make the technology simpler?

Technology providers are already entering the residential market

Currently utilities are the most active players on the market

Utilities vs. social housing as ICT solutions providers

Utilities

 Huge network of potential costumers

Drivers:

✓ Energy Companies Obligations

- ✓ Energy sale
- ✓ Retaining customer loyalty

Social Housing

 ✓ On average 20-40k dwellings per organization

Drivers:
✓ Social mission – affordable living

Social housing is well positioned for ICT systems introduction

- 12% of European housing stock
- Ability to facilitate free choice of the most suitable energy provider

Switch to the most optimal energy tariff brings on average 12% savings

- up to 300€ per year*
- Administrative support in switching the energy supplier

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