

EU Funded Projects to Green the Economy

The European Green Deal

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With the help of EU investment, the challenge of greening our economy can be turned into opportunities. Examples of what is already being done today include:



<u>Creating new economic opportunities</u> <u>in former mining towns</u>

- transforming a former coal mine in Katowice into a cultural area which now consists of a museum, a congress centre and a new concert hall;
- creating opportunities in the construction, tourism, cultural and food services sectors.



Where: Poland



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Helping citizens and businesses cut CO₂ emissions and lower energy bills

- installation of solar panels on private homes;
- renovation of multi-apartment buildings;
- o energy efficiency investments in industrial companies.



Where: Lithuania



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Investing in new environmentally friendly technology

Substituting harmful refrigerants in commercial refrigerators with carbon dioxide, to:

- reduce greenhouse gas emissions;
- make the appliance at least 10% more energy efficient;
- reduce installation and maintenance prices.



Where: Italy, Spain and Romania



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Reskilling workers from coal industry regions

- providing training in welding;
- teaching to handle of machines such as fork-lift trucks;
- helping workers obtain a driving licence for small trucks and lorries.



Where: Czechia (Czech Public Employment Service



Supported by: the European Social Fund







Lowering car emissions

Reducing the weight of vehicles on the road by replacing heavier car manufacturing materials with lighter, renewable components.

- √ 30,000 new cars to be equipped with these new components;
- 8% less carbon dioxide to be emitted by new cars.



Where: Poland and Italy



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Supporting social housing

By building 524 affordable and energy efficient social housing units in Navarra, Spain:

creating 700 jobs in the construction phase;

✓ reducing the average heating costs for the new homes to €75 a year
compared to €785 a year for apartments in buildings 30 years and older.



Where: Spain



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