

Szentgotthard- Luzern Energy City project

The challenging targets on energy efficiency and renewable energy production for Hungary until 2020 have identified a strong need for implementing an energy and climate program for municipalities.

The Swiss Contribution Fund and the Partnership Block Grant program came into focus with his financial support to apply for City of Szentgotthard to award the first Energy City label in Hungary with his swiss partner city, Luzern.

The European Energy Award® and Its holistic approach in terms of themes and targets, its quality management process as well as its tools like the catalogue of measures make it a perfect instrument for guiding the municipalities in their climate protection efforts. Three levels of certification are introduced. The internationally harmonised European Energy Award® (50% of achievable points) and the European Energy Award® Gold (75% of achievable points) has been defined a quality management system which allows municipality of Szentgotthárd to optimise continuously their energy and climate protection policies. City of Luzern got already gold label twice, and the swiss EEA experts guiding the municipality team of Szentgotthard with the start of the eea process .

The first initial energy review has been taken in the end of January.2013 by eea and the expected outcome of the analysis will be known in April.2013.