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ADVANCING EFFICIENCY and ENDING ENERGY POVERTY

Office of the Northern Ireland Executive Brussels

Wednesday, 15 October 2025 | 11:30 - 13:00 CET

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Experts will highlight the critical role of energy savings in ensuring a fair and inclusive energy transition. By sharing **best practices in energy efficiency**, addressing the **challenges** facing cities and emphasising the **importance of EU cohesion policy**, the speakers, together with the audience, will explore how to reduce costs on the path to achieving climate neutrality and combat energy poverty across Europe.

Programme

11:30 *Intoduction*

by **Denis Bonvillain**, VEOLIA

11:40 *Presentations*

- **Peter Dermol**, Mayor and **Iztok Mori**, Director of City Administration of Velenje
- **Caitriona Strain**, General Manager, ERNACT, Northern Ireland
- **Laura Morar**, Project Manager, Suceava Municipality
- **Charlotte de Boer**, Policy Expert, Municipality of Leeuwarden and **Evert Stellingwerf**, Vice Mayor of Municipality of Leeuwarden

12:20 *Round Table and Interactive Discussion*

Moderated by Denis Bonvillain, VEOLIA

12:50 *Wrap-up and insights*

(TBC)

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