

## European Regions and Cities

### 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

<b>11:30</b>	<b>Intoduction</b>	by <b>Denis Bonvillain</b> , VEOLIA
<b>11:40</b>	<b>Presentations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Peter Dermol</b>, Mayor, Municipality of Velenje</li> <li>• <b>Nuala McNamee</b>, Deputy Director, Office of the Northern Ireland Executive in Brussels</li> <li>• <b>Laura Morar</b>, Project Manager, Suceava Municipality</li> <li>• <b>Charlotte de Boer</b>, Policy Expert, Municipality of Leeuwarden and <b>Evert Stellingwerf</b>, Vice Mayor of Municipality of Leeuwarden</li> </ul>
<b>12:20</b>	<b>Round Table and Interactive Discussion</b>	<p><i>Moderated by Denis Bonvillain, VEOLIA</i></p>
<b>12:50</b>	<b>Wrap-up and insights</b>	(TBC)