

Regulatory Barriers for Energy Service Companies Portugal

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Portuguese Association of Energy Service Companies

ESCO Members:



Non ESCO Members:





Legislation

Lack of regulation and legislation promoting the energy performance market.

Complex contract model for public buildings.

Fiscal policy

Absence of a positive fiscal policy promoting energy services contracts. *For instance services VAT is sometimes higher than energy VAT (for residential sector).*

ESIF and RRF

Public grants such as European Structural and Investment Funds or the Recovery and Resilience Facility **are not designed to promote energy services contracts.**

When presented can **delay private and public investments** namely ESCOs projects (*governments are quick at announcing intended financing schemes and subsidies, but relatively slow at making the programmes operational*).

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In some cases, the payback time of the intended investments can easily be shorter than the time it takes to make the funds available.”

Thank you

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