

Energy Poverty: Agenda Co-Creation  
and Knowledge Innovation  
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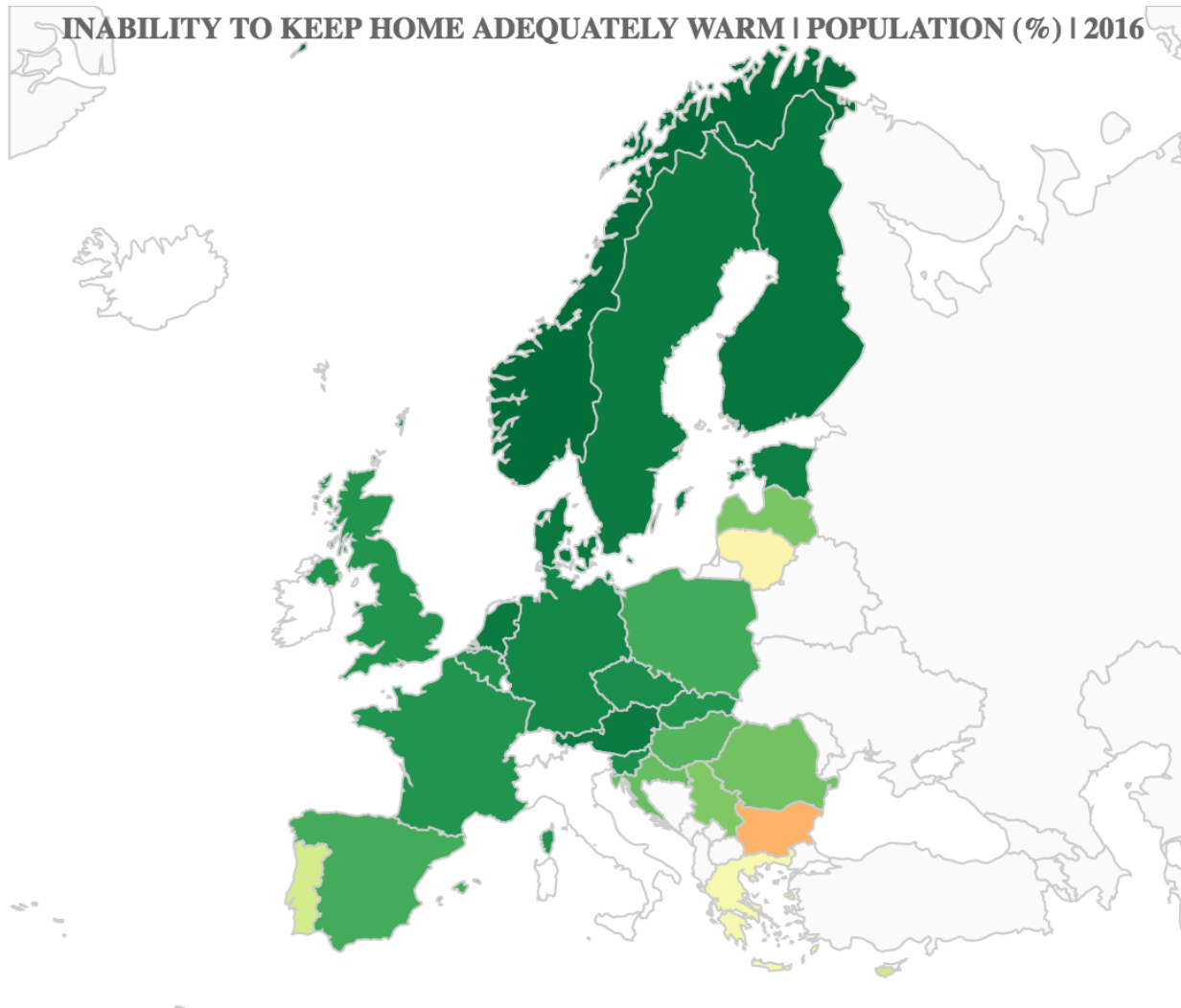
# Energy poverty

- Understood as the inability to secure a socially- and materially-necessitated level of energy services in the home
- May affect more than 50 million households in Europe (Thomson and Snell 2012)
- More than incomes and energy efficiency (Bouzarovski and Tirado Herrero 2017)

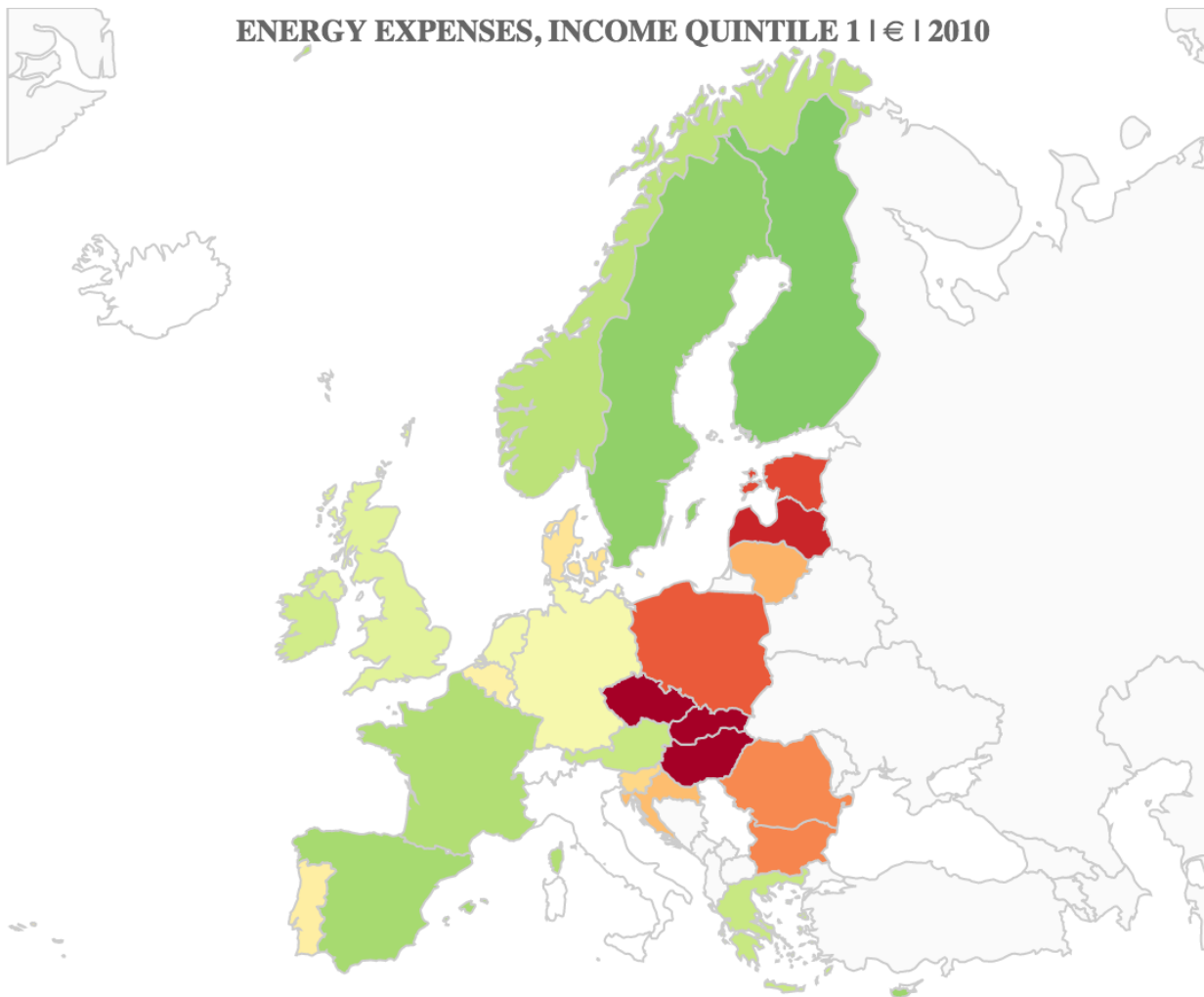




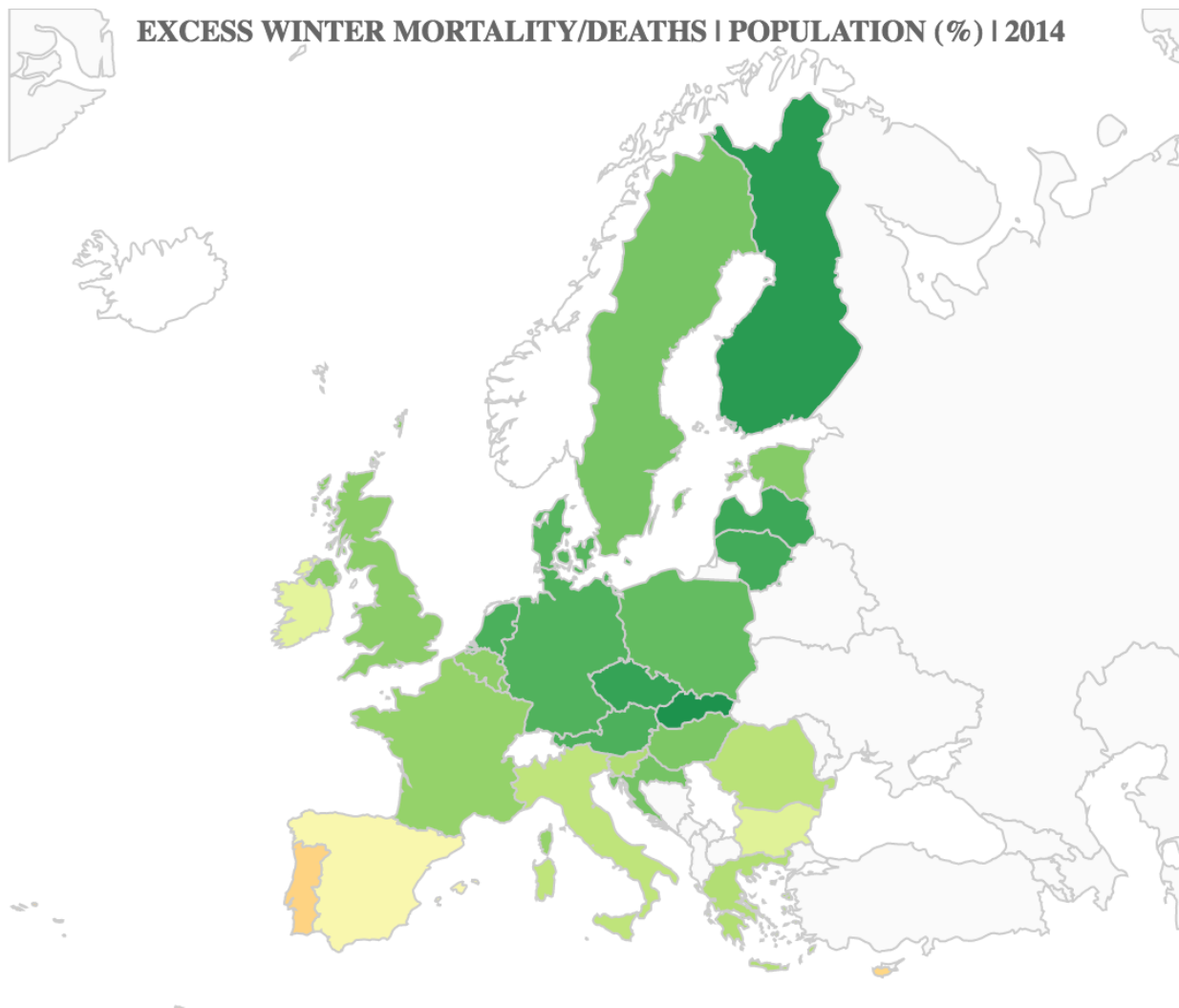
Plovdiv, Bulgaria (photo by Stefan Bouzarovski)



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# Relevance and timeliness

- EU Clean Energy Package
- Energy Poverty Observatory
- Global attention and action



# EU Energy Poverty Observatory

- [www.energypoverity.eu](http://www.energypoverity.eu)
- Up-to-date information on the extent and depth of energy poverty in Europe, as well as measures to address it
- Reporting on the state of the problem, liaison with decision-making institutions
- Creating a network of experts and practitioners from around Europe





## Research questions - **ENGAGER**

- How can EP be understood and eradicated via multidimensional research and policy?
- What are the conceptual and methodological complexities that underpin EP?
- What is the best way of overcoming limited knowledge on EP in Europe?



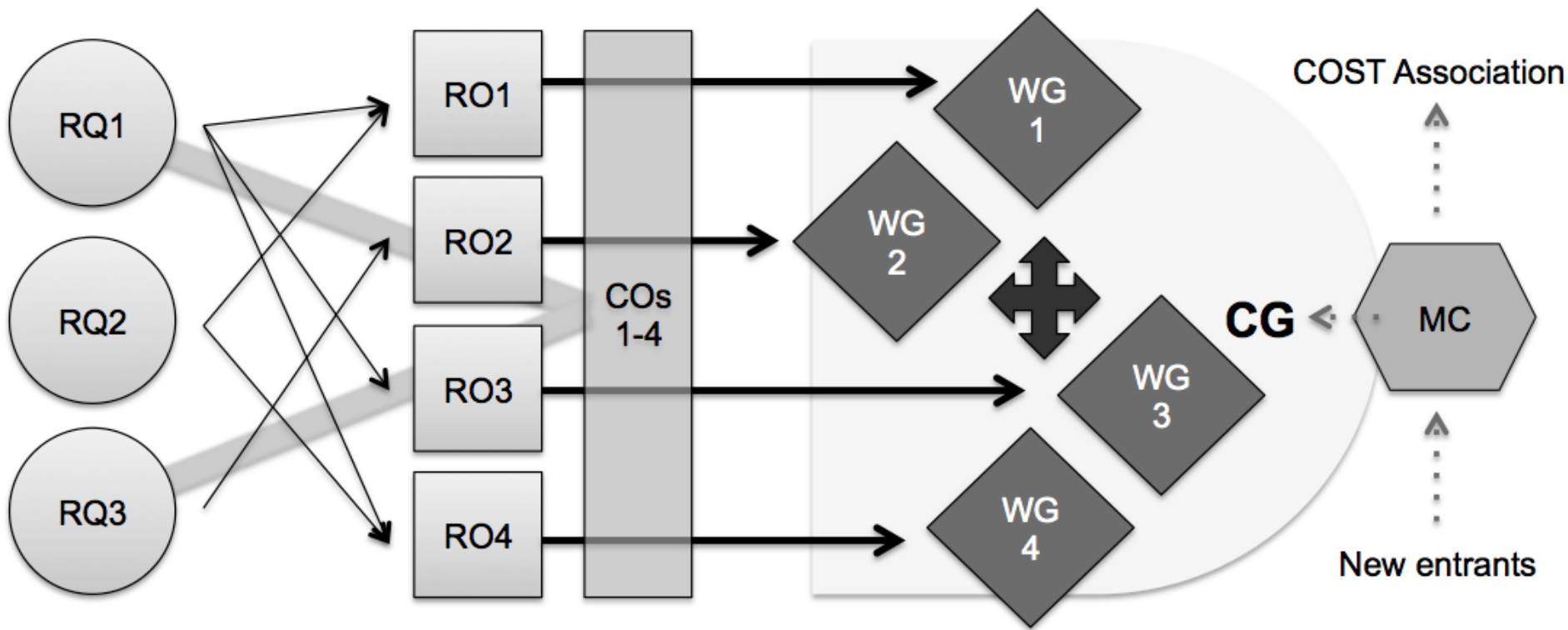
# Research co-ordination objectives

- Create a trans-disciplinary analytical approach to understand EP
- Develop a common framework for determining the extent of EP
- Bring into being an active platform for European dialogues on researching and addressing EP
- Generate multiple forms of innovation by forging inter-sectoral connections



# Capacity-building objectives

- Increase the technical and scientific competence of network participants
- Produce new partnerships, exchange opportunities, and collaborations
- Generate leadership opportunities for under-represented researchers
- Identify and follow up specific funding avenues for new projects





# Working Groups

- WG1: Integration – Transforming the state of the art
- WG2: Implementation – Developing an operational European energy poverty framework
- WG3: Dialogues – Co-producing emancipatory research and practice
- WG4: Innovation – Introducing path-breaking perspectives to the understanding of energy poverty



# Core Group

- Professor Margarita-Niki Assimakoupoulos (WG1 lead)
- Professor Stefan Bouzarovski (Chair)
- Dr Ute Dubois (WG1 lead)
- Dr Richard Filcak (Science Communication Manager)
- Dr Eleonora Gaydarova (WG4 lead)
- Professor Katrin Grossman (WG4 lead)
- Dr Sergio Tirado Herrero (WG3 lead)
- Dr Nikolas Katsoulakos (STSM Co-ordinator)
- Slavica Robic (Vice Chair)
- Dr Siddharth Sareen (WG2 lead)
- Nevena Smilevska (WG3 lead)
- Dr Harriet Thompson (WG2 lead)

Group	Activities	Year (quarters)				Year (quarters)				Year (quarters)				Year (quarters)			
		0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45
All	Kick-off meeting	R															
	MC meetings			R				R				R				R	
	CG meetings				R/F				R/F				R/F				R/F
	WG consolidation																
	WG meetings			R				R				R				R	
	Website		E														
	Conferences				C												C
	Workshops		S		S		S		S		S		S		S		S
WG1	Review						R										
	ECl events			C												C	
	Papers/briefs							P/B					P/B				P/B
WG2	Review								R								
	STSM			R				R				R					
	Training schools				M				M								
	ECl events															C	
	Toolkit												T				
	Papers/briefs				P/B				P/B				P/B				
WG3	Training school							M									
	Toolkit												T				
	Papers/briefs			B				B				B				PB	
WG4	Database					D											
	Toolkit																T
	Papers/briefs			B				B				B				PB	
	Case studies			A			A				A						
	STSM				R				R				R				

# In Athens, now ...

- Discuss ENGAGER's intellectual contributions and programmatic content
- Consolidate the Action's working groups
- Shed light on the situation in Greece, and the wider European context in which it is located
- Discuss future research challenges and policy directions



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