

## THE ROMANIAN ENERGY CENTER ASSOCIATION CONTRIBUTED AT THE 4<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD OF EDDIE PROJECT

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The Romanian Energy Center (CRE) Association Team participated and contributed at the 4<sup>th</sup> International Advisory Board (IAB) of EDDIE Project – „*Education for Digitalization of Energy*”, which took place in the Online Environment. This relevant Meeting was organized by the Project Coordinator COMILLAS Pontifical University, on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> of June 2022. The role of Education in the Digital Era for Digitalization will create the framework for EDDIE Project to take part in the decision-making process of Digitalization of the European Energy Sector (DEES).

The 4<sup>th</sup> International Advisory Board Meeting highlighted important and significant subjects for the development of the project such as the project status, the Action Plan, ongoing activities, Mid-Term Report and the Positive assessment by the European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA). Dissemination activities within EDDIE Project which includes social media interactions, exploitation of the results, future events and several actions on EDDIE's website were addressed in the 4<sup>th</sup> IAB meeting. In this context, during the meeting was presented the database of stakeholders, together with the overall architecture and design and the registration procedure.

Additionally, the 4<sup>th</sup> IAB Meeting underlined the Pilot Activities and the future EDDIE-ENTITY. With regards to the EDDIE-ENTITY, the main functions and responsibilities, organisation and models, brief survey about services and portals such as: training programmes, dissemination, jobs, tools and systems were addressed during the 4<sup>th</sup> IAB Meeting. The framework of this Entity is related to the energy transition to be accelerated in the European Union through the Fit for 55, REPower EU and the associated necessary skills to support EC'S Digitalization of Energy Action Plan, and education through Pact for Skills. The European Commission Action Plan for Energy with focus on digitalization and will support the energy transition. Moreover, the Pact for Skills is underlined in the framework of the Entity as the Education is recognised as a major challenge in both energy and digitalization sectors. The Blueprint Strategy must ensure sustainability after the project ends, becoming a major reference in education of the energy sector in the future. The Strategy will be framed with the Pact for Skills becoming a reference of education for energy transformed by transition and digitalization.

The important mission of the EDDIE-ENTITY is to become the reference body for skills education in the Digitalization of the European Energy Sector. Its main activity will be to provide a platform to share training or disseminate skills in the context of the digitalization of the energy system.

The International Advisory Board plays a key role as an independent external quality consultant in the project, and it is providing requirements and inputs on goals and issues, monitoring project milestones, and supporting with final feedback on results and future expectations in other sectors and other blueprints.

The digital transformation plays an important role in European Projects funded by the European Commission. [CRE](#) Association is constantly preoccupied to create synergies between the telecommunications, energy and transport sectors in terms of investments in ICT, Digitalization and Infrastructure.

