

Support of the Homeowners Association Resource Centre in Vinnitsa



The residential housing sector in Ukraine consumes approximately 25% of the country's electricity and 40% of its heat energy resources. The residential housing sector represents one of the foremost opportunities for effecting energy savings and thus for reducing GHG emissions in Ukraine.

Some of the principal barriers to residential energy efficiency in Ukraine are related to the undeveloped legal status of homeowner associations (HOAs), lack of funding/grant aid available from the government and municipalities, lack of control over energy use and the resulting reluctance of financial institutions to provide lending. Against this backdrop, IFC has developed the "Ukraine Residential Energy Efficiency Project" with financial support from the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) and the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO).

Vinnitsa was chosen by IFC as the first pilot city to receive support under the new project. Kommunalcredit Public Consulting was selected as the Consultant to provide the necessary consultancy services. The main tasks of the project were:

- Support in the operational set-up of the HOA Center;
- Development of common standards for business plans and financing models;
- Technical audits of residential buildings;
- Design and delivery of a training programme to the HOA Center staff;
- Facilitation of consultations with apartment owners;
- Support in the development of a communication strategy.

