



# StepUP

## Solutions and technologies for deep energy renovation process uptake

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Reliable and cost-effective solutions to decarbonise existing buildings

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## StepUP general overview

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### Solutions and technologies for deep energy renovation processes uptake

- European project funded under the topic: *LC-SC3-EE-1-2018-2019-2020 - Decarbonisation of the EU building stock: innovative approaches and affordable solutions changing the market for buildings renovation*
- **3,5 years** duration, from 1/08/2019 to 31/01/2023
- **Budget:** 4,9 M€, of which 3,6M€ funded by the EC
- **10 participants** from **7** different **European countries**
- Coordinated by **Integrated Environmental Solutions LTD**
- **Grant agreement ID:** 847053



# Consortium

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10 partners from 7 European countries

6 (5)

Industrial companies (SMEs)

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NPO

1

RTOs

2

Owners and contractors



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## The context

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### Making decarbonisation of existing buildings a reliable and attractive investment

- The European **Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD)** identifies **deep renovation** as a key action to **drastically reduce energy demand** and achieve the EU vision of a **decarbonised building stock by 2050**.
- The **Renovation Wave** initiative is aimed to increase the rate and quality of renovation existing buildings and help to decarbonise building stock.
- **Most of the technology to achieve this reduction is available on the market today**. However, shallow retrofits persist with low impact on energy consumption.



*Currently, only 1% of European buildings are being renovated yearly*

## About StepUP

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Cost-effective deep renovation technologies to make buildings decarbonisation a reliable, attractive and sustainable investment

- **StepUP** develops a new process for deep renovation for decarbonisation, to minimise performance gap, reduce investment risk and maximise value.
- To achieve this, the project uses continuous **feedback loops and promotes an iterative deep energy renovation approach**, based on data insights, which positively impacts on energy costs, Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ) and comfort.



*“The **StepUP** approach relies on a set of solutions and technologies applied at different phases of the implementation of the renovation methodology”*

## Objectives

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**Make renovation more attractive and reliable** with a new methodology based on near-real time data intelligence



**Reduce the performance gap** to 10% by developing an integrated life-cycle software platform



**Optimise renovation investments** by developing innovative financial models



**Minimise time on site** to 40% of current renovation onsite work by creating a market-ready modular renovation package of Plug & Play technologies



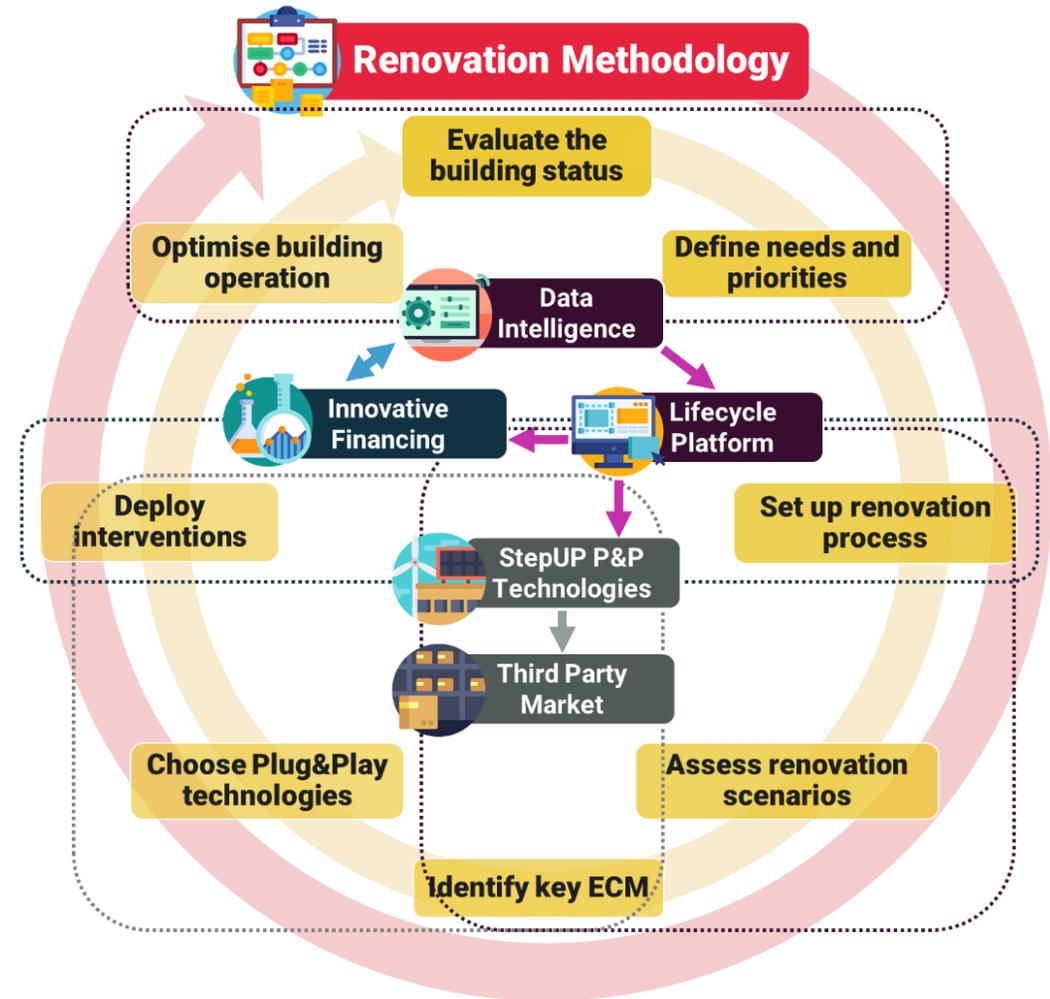
**Accelerate the renovation market** via an interoperability protocol for renovation solutions, enabling compatibility of StepUP with third-party market products

# StepUP methodology

## An iterative and holistic methodology

- Methodology for a systematic whole building renovation, incorporating the **stakeholders' needs** at the centre.
- **StepUP** methodology, based in Data Intelligence, has the objective to deliver affordable deep renovation technologies, another step towards EU building decarbonisation.

*At the core of the StepUP project relies an **incremental, iterative renovation methodology** aimed to cover every phase of the renovation process to make each step more effective*



# StepUP methodology

## First public drafts available

- Methodology scope and boundaries, discussion of phases; companion data collection requirements
- Open for feedback – get in touch!
- <https://www.stepup-project.eu/contact/>

### Deliverable D1.2: Integrated draft of the methodology

Public Document

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## StepUP solutions

- 1 Plug & Play Envelope System**  
Pre-assembled enveloped panel integrating windows and provisions for the technical systems
- 2 Plug & Play SmartHeat solution**  
Groundbreaking technology for flexible consumption of thermal energy monitored and optimised through StepUP data tools
- 3 Innovative financing tools for deep renovation**  
Energy Performance Contracts (EPCs) based on co-investment, continuous performance measurement and management
- 4 Software tools and platform for data collection**  
Data intelligence solutions to generate a sound base for the continuous measurement and verification of the renovation



## P&P Envelope mockup

### Key data

- 2 people (assembly, + 1 crane operator to install)
- 45 m<sup>2</sup>
- Assembly: 6 days
- Installation: 1 day

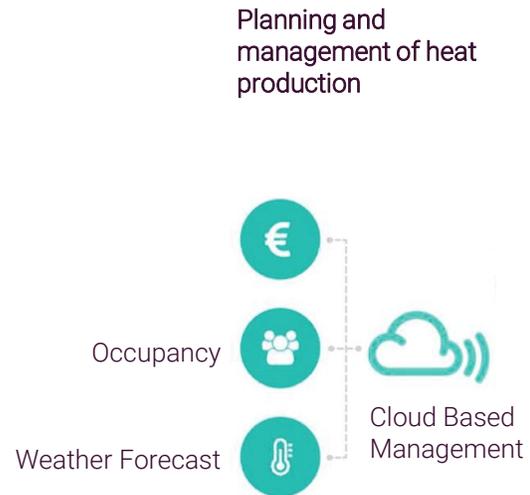


# SmartHeat Solution

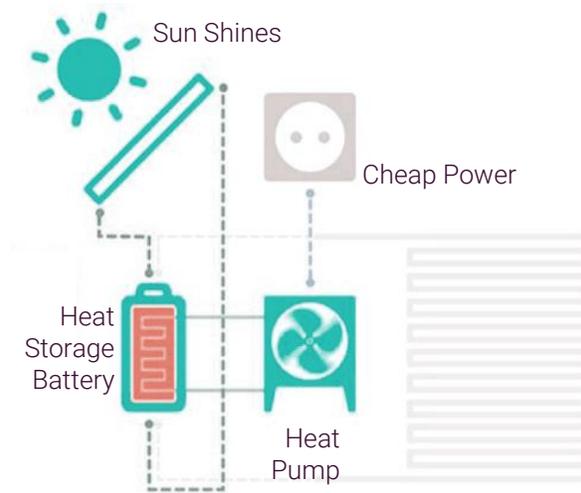


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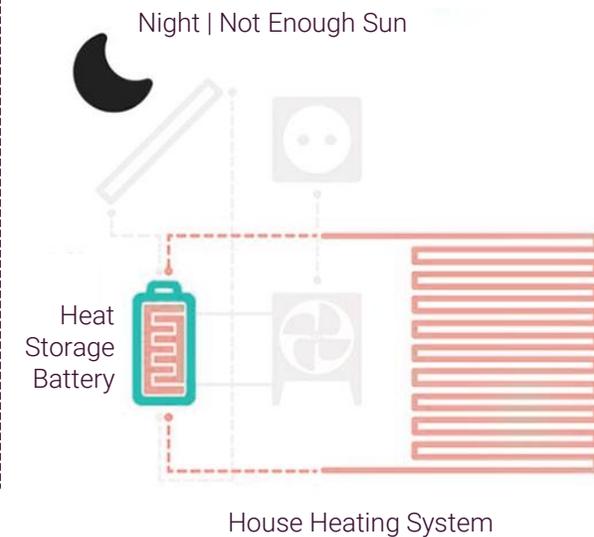
- Heat storage battery connected to photovoltaic collectors, smart grid enabled heat pump (6kW) and a cloud-based management
- 15kWh thermal storage capacity
- Heat storage of 1500 litres of hot water
- PCM storage module available in various sizes



### Heat Storage and Production



### Heat Consumption



## StepUP pilots

StepUP solutions will be demonstrated in three different types of buildings

1 **Public non-residential buildings (Hungary)**

2 **Rental private office buildings (UK)**

3 **Multi-family residential dwellings (Spain)**



## StepUP pilots - Schools

### Zöld-Liget Kindergarten

- Located in the **18<sup>th</sup> District of Budapest (Hungary)**, the Zöld-Liget Kindergarten is a representative case of the needs for deep renovation in public buildings.
- The current energy performance of the building is poor due to **significant heat loss through the roof and walls**.
- The energy efficiency measures included in this pilot comprise the installation of the P&P envelope and SmartHeat system, roof insulation, the installation of PV panels and the change of the heat distribution system.



*This pilot will demonstrate StepUP solutions for public authorities*

## StepUP pilots - Offices

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### The IES HQ office



- A virtual pilot in the IES HQ office located in Glasgow (Scotland) built after 2000.
- Chosen to demonstrate a common case for missed opportunities in deep renovation in the European built environment: the long-term office lease.

*This pilot will test StepUP analysis and diagnosis in working conditions*

## StepUP pilots - Apartments

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### Pamplona Pilot (Spain)

- Multi-owner apartment blocks from the 70s with 40 apartments.
- The building was built before the implementation of energy efficiency regulations and currently deal with thermal discomfort, low airtightness values and high energy consumption.
- StepUP will help owners' community to increase the overall thermal insulation of the building and improve the energy rating from E to B or C after the renovation.



*Applying StepUP to common  
European housing*

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**THANK YOU!**

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