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Corporate Nature:

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Nr of staff: 1

The Agency is a member of the following Networks:

AIEA

KEYWORDS

- **Rational use of Energy**
- **Renewable Energy**
- **Local Authorities**
- **Energy Management**

AIMS/OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

Carlow Kilkenny Energy Agency was established to provide sustainable energy information and services to the people of Carlow Kilkenny, to local businesses and to the Local Authorities.

Activities:

- Energy Management for the Local Authorities
- Renewable Energy Training Courses
- Primary School Energy Education
- Assisting in the development of new sustainable energy projects in the region

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CASE STUDIES

CASE STUDY N.1**Title:****ENERGY MANAGEMENT FOR THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES****Description:**

The aim of the Carlow Kilkenny Energy Agency Energy management review with the Local Authorities is to achieve:

- policy and procedures
- resources and responsibilities
- monitoring and targeting
- maintenance
- investment
- training
- awareness and motivation.

Phase 1 of the Energy Management Services involved carrying out an Energy Audit of the Local Authorities. This involved a study to determine the quantity and cost of each form of energy input to buildings, processes and sites over a given period. This is being followed by a more detailed energy survey and preparation of a focussed energy management plan.

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CASE STUDY N.2**Title:****RENEWABLE ENERGY TRAINING****Description:**

In Spring 2003 Carlow Kilkenny Energy Agency organised a Renewable Energy Training course for those who were interested in developing a project in this exciting sector. The aim of the course was to:

- Provide students with the basic skills which will allow them to investigate the development of renewable energy projects at a small or large scale.
- Provide students with an overview of the technical aspects of particular renewable energy technologies and provide practical examples of these
- Provide students with an introductory knowledge to understand the policy planning and financial aspects of renewable energy projects.
- Give students a basic understanding of renewable energy development.

Tipperary Institute delivered the 30 hour course using the format of lectures and tutorials. The course was part funded by BNS. Due to the success of the original Course, another revised course was held in Autumn 2003. It is expected that the course will continue to be run for future classes.

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Strengthening of Energy Agencies Networks in Countries of Europe Together with five other project partners the goal is to further strengthen the position of energy agencies and to contribute to a sustainable energy development across Europe.

