

# A large potential for primary energy saving by Combined Heat and Power (CHP) is left untouched: Cogeneration Roadmap for the Netherlands published



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**One third of the electricity in the Netherlands is produced by high efficient Combined Heat and Power (CHP). With the current energy policy, half of the current installed CHP capacity will disappear by 2030 resulting in an enormous loss of primary energy savings. The cogeneration roadmap demonstrates there is still room for growth of CHP capacity.**

The latest assessment of the potential for CHP in the Netherlands was published today. It was developed through a process of discussion and exchanges with experts. The CODE 2 project assessed the policy framework, market conditions and awareness around cogeneration in each EU Member State

The report calls for action on:

- Focus on a reduction of primary energy consumption instead of final energy consumption would stimulate energy efficiency gains by electricity production;
- Set binding targets for high efficiency CHP;
- Reinstate the financial support for high efficiency CHP.

By developing National Cogeneration Roadmaps for 27 EU Member States plus the EU as a whole, the CODE 2 project – co-funded by the European Commission (Intelligent Energy Europe; IEE) – highlights the barriers still remaining for CHP in Europe. The roadmaps look at the policy framework, market conditions and awareness around cogeneration in Europe and propose a way forward for the sector that contributes to Europe's 2020 and 2030 energy and climate goals.

CODE 2 offers Member States a concrete way forward for CHP. Paying special attention to the implementation of the Energy Efficiency Directive and the contribution of CHP to national heating and cooling plans, the project outlines a path towards realising the EU's cogeneration potential, and seeks to accelerate cogeneration's penetration into industry by highlighting key markets and policy interactions around cogeneration.

The CODE 2 project is delivering its final results this year and they are being published on the project website ([www.code2-project.eu](http://www.code2-project.eu)).

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