

INFORMATION ON ECHO ACTION PARTNERS

Organisation legal name	Banca Popolare Etica S.c.p.a.		
Organisation short name	BPE		
Legal address	Via Tommaseo 7		
Town	Padova	Country	Italy
Internet homepage	http://www.bancaetica.com		
Number of employees	150		
Legal status	Bank		
Organisation Mission	<p>The principles which inspired Banca Etica's incorporation, and which today distinguish and characterise its everyday work, are stated in article 5 of its Articles of Association, entitled 'Obbiettivi' (which stands for 'Targets - Fundamentals'), which states the following:</p> <p>The Company (i.e. Banca Etica) adopts the following principles of Ethic Finance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ethically oriented finance is aware of non economic consequences of economic actions, and it evaluates them; • access to finance, in all its forms, is a human right; • efficiency and soberness are components of ethic responsibility; • profit produced by the ownership and exchange of money must come from activities oriented towards common wellbeing and shall have to be equally distributed among all subjects which contribute to its realisation; • maximum transparency of all operations is one of the main conditions of all financially ethic operations; • the active involvement in the company's decision making process of shareholders and savers must be encouraged; • each organisation which accepts and adheres to the principles of ethic finance undertakes to inspire its entire activity to such principles. 		
Main organisation activities in relation to ECHO ACTION Project	<p>Banca Popolare Etica, with the assistance of the other European Association, will contact the other "green" and "ethical" alternative banks active in the other Countries and will create an "Echo Action Financial Network" in order to develop suitable financing schemes. Such schemes are fundamentally of two types: soft loans issued directly to households and financing schemes for ESCOs offering TPF contracts to the households. The goal is to develop financing schemes which have a certain degree of cross-country uniformity.</p>		
Role in the project	Leader in WP3 "Financial schemes". Partner in all other WPs.		
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