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Contribution to energy efficiency: Europe's Best Energy Services wanted!

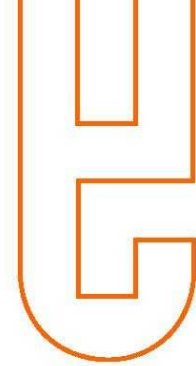
- **The European Energy Service Award (EESA) honours innovative energy services in Europe**
- **The Award will be bestowed in three categories: Best Energy Service Promoter, Best Energy Service Provider and Best Energy Service Project**
- **Berliner Energieagentur receives applications until the 31th of May 2014**

Berlin, 2nd of April 2014 – The efficient use of energy is an important prerequisite for the success of the energy revolution and to achieve the climate protection targets in Europe. Companies that provide, promote and implement high quality energy services are elementary to make energy efficiency a success story. To honour European frontrunners in the field of energy efficiency, the „European Energy Service Initiative 2020“ (EESI 2020), will bestow the „European Energy Service Award“ (EESA) for the seventh time.

The Award will be bestowed in three categories. The category Best Energy Service Promoter distinguishes active market facilitators that successfully contributed to the wider use of energy services in Europe. Energy Service Companies (ESCOs) will be awarded in the Category Best Energy Service Provider, if they positively managed to influence the market by introducing new products and through their willingness to take risks in developing the market. Up to three outstanding projects will be awarded in the Best Energy Service Project category. The emphasis will be placed on environmentally friendly, innovative and custom-built projects.

The Berliner Energieagentur, which coordinates the European Energy Service Initiative 2020, receives applications starting now. The application documents can be downloaded from the webpage of the European Energy Service Initiative <http://eesi2020.eu/news-events/eesa/>. A jury of international experts selects the award winners.

The European Energy Service Initiative 2020 (EESI 2020) contributes with the support of the EU to the promotion and development of the Energy Performance Contracting model. Coordinated by Berliner



Energieagentur partners from nine European countries are working together, organising seminars and trainings, compiling practice guidelines, assisting pilot projects and programmes, and disseminating results and best practice examples.

Further information on the European Energy Service Initiative is available on the internet:

<http://eesi2020.eu/>

Berliner Energieagentur GmbH

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Innovative projects that save energy costs and reduce carbon dioxide emissions have been developed and implemented for public and non-profit facilities, real estates and building companies, industry, trade and service companies as well as for hospitals.

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