

Energy Saving in Cities

Issues, Strategies and Options for Local Governments

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FOREWORD

Energy is one of the basest essentials of modern society. It provides the power needed to drive the economy but it also has adverse impacts on society and the environment. To obtain the maximum benefit from scarce resources energy use needs to be very carefully managed. Energy efficiency brings many benefits including cost savings, greenhouse gas reductions, fewer environmental impacts and increased local employment

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Development and environmental issues, such as greenhouse gas emissions, go hand in hand and an understanding of them is crucial to developing nations on their transition to sustainable economies. This work is designed to assist in the process and to provide useful strategies for saving energy and case studies of international energy efficiency projects.

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