

Summary of the project report for 2022



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*Almaty Construction and Technical College, regional sharing of experience, **Kazakhstan**, Almaty, June 2022*

*European Educational Center for Housing and Real Estate Economics, study tour, **Germany**, Bochum, June 2022*

*Tallinna Lasnamäe Mehaanikakool, study tour, **Estonia**, Tallinn, September 2022*

*Almalyk Architecture and Construction Technical School, regional Sharing of experience, **Uzbekistan**, Almalyk, November 2022*

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Project Description, Objectives

The overall objective of the project is to boost the development of the private sector and the economic diversification in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan. Objectives: **(I.)** Expanding the vocational education system for housing management and maintenance - develop and approve professional standards for housing managers and caretakers; based on them developing educational programs, launching them in colleges; starting training of vocational students. **(II.)** Enhancing the involvement of BIOs and MSMEs in housing policy decision-making processes in the partner countries.

PROMHOUSE - project and results in 2022

The year was characterised by an intensive international and regional exchange of experience of Kazakh and Uzbek specialists in housing management and maintenance. 78 specialists participated in two study tours to Germany and Estonia and two regional exchanges of experience between Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan. The events focused on modern approaches to housing management - digitisation, improving the energy efficiency of residential buildings as well as vocational training. The sharing of experiences has had a significant push for vocational training in the project partner countries. The BIOs involved in the project have also conducted a number of activities or actively participated in events at national and regional levels that have contributed to the introduction of the new professions in both countries. In Kazakhstan, the Shanyrak Association took part in the Republican Educational Leaders Forum "Labour Market and Vocational Education: New Opportunities" (in four regions of the country), 9-18 August; the Republican Practical Forum on the development of technical specialties in the profile construction and communal services", Almaty, 28 October; and the "Employer's Day" (in two colleges in Astana), 15 November. In Uzbekistan, the Association UYUSHMASI conducted two round tables with the Ministry of Employment and Labour Relations (Ministry of Labour) of RUz and the Ministry of Housing and Communal Services (MZhKO) of RUz, on March 30 and September 23. By doing so, BIOs have increased their capacity and influence on decision-making in housing management and maintenance. The activities of the BIOs have been successful! In August 2022 the Ministry of Labour of RUz. approved the professional standard: "Manager of Residential Property Management (Housing Manager)", developed by the MZhKO and the Association UYUSHMASI. In the Ministry of Labour of RUz in accordance with the letter of MZhKO of 08.11.2022 the professional standard "Specialist of Housing and Communal Services (Caretaker)" was offered, instead of the approved standard "Specialist of Housing and Communal Services" in 2021. The developers of the proposed improved standard are also the MZhKO and the Association UYUSHMASI. Since September, the first group of students at Almaty Construction and Technical College has been studying in the programme developed as part of the EU PROMHOUSE project, obtaining the qualification of "Caretaker".