Regulatory Barriers for Energy Service Companies
Portugal

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Legislation

Lack of regulation and legislation promoting the energy performance market.

Complex contract model for public buildings.
Fiscal policy

Absence of a positive fiscal policy promoting energy services contracts. *For instance services VAT is sometimes higher that energy VAT (for residential sector).*
ESIF and RRF

Public grants such as European Structural and Investment Funds or the Recovery and Resilience Facility are not designed to promote energy services contracts.

When presented can delay private and public investments namely ESCOs projects (governments are quick at announcing intended financing schemes and subsidies, but relatively slow at making the programmes operational).
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“In some cases, the payback time of the intended investments can easily be shorter than the time it takes to make the funds available.”
Thank you

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