

## **Energy vulnerability in Hungary: new approaches to understanding domestic energy deprivation**

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Energy vulnerability has been defined as the propensity to suffer from a lack of adequate energy services in the home. In the transition countries of Central and Eastern Europe, a combination of rising energy prices, high monetary and material deprivation rates, low energy efficiency levels in the housing sector, and an insufficient institutional support network result in a millions of households being in energy poverty. Acknowledging the scale and urgency of the challenge, the EVALUATE project is undertaking a systemic analysis of risk factors paying special attention to urban areas. The workshop is part of a series of events organised in the four case study cities of the project and offers the opportunity to present to a Hungarian audience key research outputs of EVALUATE including the preliminary results of a 550 household energy poverty survey conducted in Budapest districts VIII and XIX in winter 2015. Participants will also benefit from the expertise of national and local organisations currently addressing issues of housing and domestic energy affordability in Hungary.

*Energy Vulnerability and Urban Transitions (EVALUATE) is a five-year European Research Council funded project underway since March 2013. It aims to investigate the manner in which urban institutional structures, built tissues and everyday practices shape energy vulnerability at a variety of geographical scales. Using a wide range of data gathering methods – statistical data analyses, household surveys and interviews with key informants – the project interrogates these issues in the context four Central and Eastern European cities (Budapest, Gdansk, Prague, and Skopje) and countries (Czech Republic, Hungary, Macedonia and Poland).*



### **AGENDA**

15:00 – 15:30 **Professor Stefan Bouzarovski, University of Manchester.** Unpacking the spaces and politics of energy vulnerability in Hungary.

15:30 – 16:30 **Anna Bajomi, Critical Urban Workshop,** and **Sergio Tirado Herrero, University of Manchester.** Results of the EVALUATE energy poverty survey in Budapest districts VIII and XIX. To be publicly discussed by **Krisztina Keresztély, urban research consultant** (district VIII) and **Tracey Wheatley, Átalakuló Wekerle** (district XIX).

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

17:00 – 17:30 **András Szekér, Habitat for Humanity Hungary.** Energy poverty in Hungary: statistics, policy, and human stories

17:30 – 18:00 **Orsolya Fülöp, Energiaklub.** Assessment of statistical data sources in connection with fuel poverty in Hungary.

**Limited seats – for advance registration, please send an email to [registerepworkshop@gmail.com](mailto:registerepworkshop@gmail.com)**