



## ASSET Final Event

Having approached its end, the ASSET project has hosted its Final Event online, on 15 April 2021.

The ASSET project Consortium has hosted its Final Event, aimed at showcasing and framing the Project results achieved within its duration. The online event had 100 participants coming from industry, research, and policy and was organized by ASSET partner EASE – The European Association for Storage of Energy with participation from the Consortium.

The event started with a keynote speech by Michaela Giglia, Project Officer in charge of ASSET from the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA), who went through the achievements of the project in its two years and the importance of addressing its topics of focus in order to foster the energy transition. A second introductory speech was given by Lorenzo Pagliano, Professor and Coordinator of the RIDEF Master programme at the Polytechnic University of Milan, titled “Transitioning without training? A call to action”, focusing on the main topics that require attention in the energy transition in terms of training needs.

Later on, Project coordinator Nadia Politou, from Atos, and Nelly Leligkou, from the University of West Attica, provided an overview of the project. Immediately after, Christina Papadimitriou, from the PANTERA-EIRIE Platform presented the sister initiative which aims to improve synergies in energy research. Participants then got to hear in a presentation block about ASSET results: Mashood Nasir, from partner Aalborg University presented mobility schemes in energy transition research and education; Louisa Bouta from OTEA Academy spoke about the Train the Trainer modules that were held by ASSET; Ferdinanda Ponci from Aachen University presented the learning offer of the Project; and finally, Sara Gollessi from Ènostra touched upon the three Roadshows that took place respectively in Italy, Spain and Brussels (online).

After a Q&A slot and a coffee break, participants heard a presentation from the University of Naples concerning the societal challenges surrounding the energy transition, which touched upon themes such as gender representation, given by Dario Minervini and Ivano Scotti. Later on, Malena Donato Cohen, from Atos, presented the sustainability plans for the project after its completion and held a second Q&A slot.

The last part of the event concerned a panel discussion moderated by ASSET Advisory Board member Natalie Samovich. The panelists involved included Walter Cariani from Logical Soft and Sara Verbeeren from Ecopower, both members of the Consortium, as well as Axel Thielmann, from Fraunhofer ISI and chair of the ETIP Batteries Task Force on Education and Skills, Anneli Roose from sister Project Smagrinet and Jose Francisco Mora, rector of the Polytechnic University of Valencia. Topics discussed included the role of humanities in the energy transition, how to communicate the energy transition effectively to different stakeholder groups, and how the education panorama will change after Covid-19.

The ASSET Consortium thanks all attendees for the participation and all stakeholders involved throughout the Project, who showed that the work pursued within the project had an actual impact!

Watch the Final Event of the ASSET project [here](#).