## Press Release

# 3.5 million Heat Pump units sold in 2017 in the EU-28

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## **EurObserv'ER releases HEAT PUMP barometer 2018**

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Key data for European Union (EU) HEAT PUMPS in 2017

- 4.4% Increase in heat pump sales in the EU as compared to 2016
- 3.5 million Number of new installed heat pumps in the EU-28 in 2017
- 34.4 million Cumulated number of installed heat pump units in operation in the EU
- 10.6 Mtoe Renewable energy derived from HPs in 2017 (9.8 Mtoe in 2016)

#### Main findings of the 2018 EurObserv'ER Heat Pump Barometer

The overall heat pump (HP) market continued on its rise with a 4.4% year-on-year growth. *Reversible air/air ASHPs* still dominate sales in the European market with 3.1 million systems sold in 2017, or roughly 100 000 (3.3%) more units than in 2016. Approximately a third of this is expected to cover heating needs while the remaining two thirds meet cooling requirements. High efficiency heat pumps reflecting new efficiency and renewable requirements under the EU clean energy package may expect continued strength in market uptake in the following years. Divergent trends can be observed in different countries- for instance in France where the overall market indicators show important growth whereas the market in Italy has shown an overall slump. The *ground-source HP market* (which in our study includes hydrothermal HPs) remained stable (slipping by 0.6%) in 2017. The *air/water HP* market specifically caters for heating requirements. Sales have been steadily rising since 2013 and even accelerated in 2017. They increased by 18.3% in 2017, equating to more than 300 000 units sold.

#### **Representative EU markets**

The market in France took an upturn by 9% and was driven by the air source HP (ASHP) sector - fueled in part by the particularly hot summer. In addition, increased consumer awareness has also boosted the sector by prompting consumers to take the initiative to approach specialist installers for their own property. The overall growth trends in Germany could be attributed to market friendly incentives and regulations. According to AGEE-Stat data, ASHP was the main driving force of the HP sector in Germany, growing by 18.8% between 2016 and 2017. In Sweden, the air-water heating market faced an upturn over the past year with an overall increase by 14.9% from 2016 to 2017 and a 17% increase in the first half of 2018.







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