# Eco-loan

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### Reach "Grenelle"'objectives

"Grenelle de l'environnement" : objectives for residential buildings







#### **Interest-free loan**

- "L'éco-prêt à taux zéro (éco-PTZ)" : to finance energy efficiency renovations:
  - Interest-free loan, with a repayment period of 10 years (15 years for the heaviest renovations, from the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2012),
- Conditions of eligibility for the private individual:
  - Homeowner or landlord
  - Without resources condition
- Conditions of eligibility for the home:
  - Built before 1990

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- Used as main home
- Individual house or condominium
- Only one "éco-PTZ" by house



Can be drawn concurrently with the tax credit (resources ceiling).

## Energy efficiency works

#### 3 options:

 Package of energy efficiency works: "package of works" (20 000 € on 10 years for 2 works and 30 000 € on 15 years from 3 works):

Roofs thermal insulation	Installation of energy efficient heating system or domestic hot water supply system: condensing boiler, low-temperature boiler, heat pump.	
Walls thermal insulation	Installation of heating system using renewable energy: wood boiler, chimney	
Windows thermal insulation	Installation of domestic hot water supply system using renewable energy: solar domestic water heating system.	

 $\Rightarrow$  Minimal performance required for each component installed.



- Energy efficiency improvement by limiting the energy consumption (requires a study by a consulting engineer) (30 000 € on 15 years)
- 3. Renovation of self-contained drainage system (10 000 € on 10 years)

### "Eco-prêt à taux zéro" in 2010



### Difficulties

 Strong increase in 2009, but the objectives are not reached in 2010 and 2011:

	2009	2010	2011
Objective	50 000	150 000	200 000
Loans allocated	70 933	78 484	~ 41 000

- Difficulties because of:
  - Lack of financial attractiveness (in comparison with traditional loans)
  - Technical complexity: the bank has to check the eligibility of the "package of works".
  - In 2011 people had to choose between the interest-free loan and tax credit
    => they are not encouraged to do several works

#### Tax credit :

- More than 10 M works since 2005

- Well-known to professionals and to private individuals

- Public spending up to 2,6 Mds€/year.



### Changes in 2012

Increase financial aid for heavy renovations:

- Possibility to add tax credit to "éco-ptz" (resources ceiling)
- "Éco-PTZ": Increase of repayment period for heaviest renovations
- Tax credit: increase for the "package of works"



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#### **Outlooks for the future:**

- Match minimal performances for "éco-PTZ" to minimal performances for the tax credit
- Technical eligibility control of the "package of works" done by a specialist (currently done by the bank)
- Simplify "Eco-PTZ" for condominiums

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